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MELANCHOLY



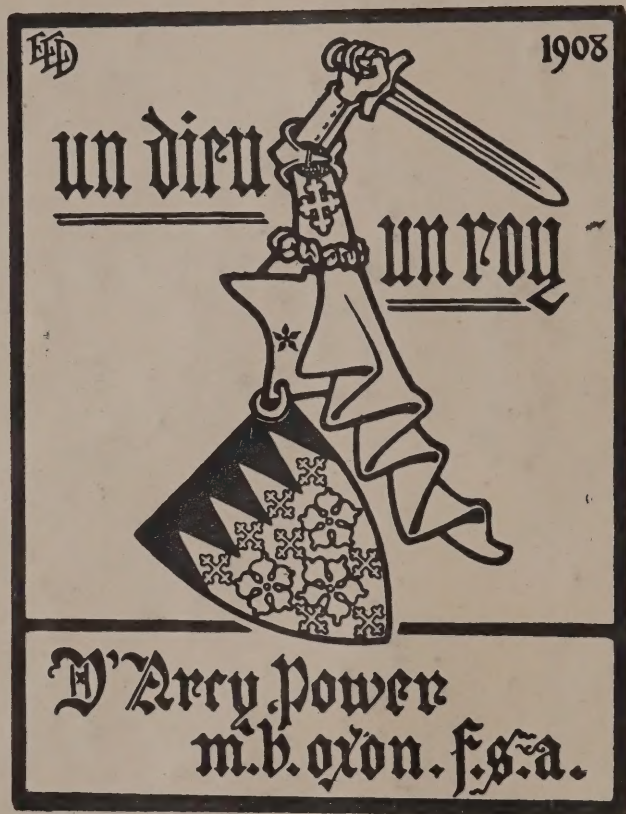




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Hic jacet Democritus Junior, Epilin. Villare Anglicanum.
Qui vitam pariter, et Mortem
Dedit Melancholia.*

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VVITH ALL THE KINDES, CAU-
SES, SYMPTOMES, PROGNOSTICKS,
AND SEVERALL CVRES OF IT.

IN THREE MAINE PARTITIONS,
with their feuerall SECTIONS, MEM-
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NALLY, HISTORICALLY
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BY
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With a Satyricall PREFACE, conducing to
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*The second Edition, corrected and aug-
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MACROB.
Omne meum, Nihil meum.



AT OXFORD,

Printed by JOHN LICHFIELD and JAMES SHORT,
for HENRY CRIPPS. *A^o Dom. 1634.*

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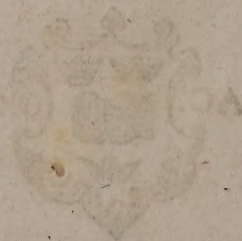
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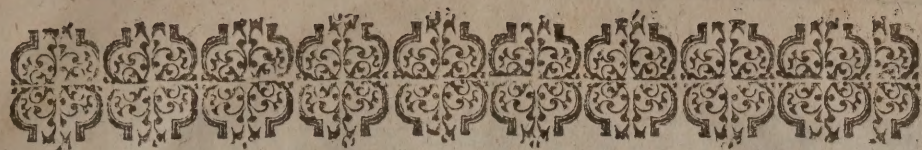
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MACRO-
COSMUS, OR THE
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ILLVSTRISSIMO;
GEORGIO BERKLEIO;
MILITI DE BALNEO,
BARONI DE BERKLEY,
MOVBREY, SEGRAVE,
D^o DE BRVSE.

DOMINO SVO
Multis Nominibus Obseruando;

HANC SVAM
MELANCHOLIAE
ANATOMEN;
IAM DENVOLV
REVISAM,
D.D.

DEMOCRITVS Junior.

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DEMOCRITVS JONIA

DEMOCRITVS IVNIOR

TO THE READER.

Gentle Reader, I presume thou wilt bee very inquisitiue to know what personate Actor this is, that so insolently intrudes vpon this common Theater, to the Worlds view, arrogating another mans name, whence hee is, why he doth it, and what he hath to say? Although, as ^a he said, *Primum si nolucro, non respondebo, quis coactus est?* Jam free borne, and may chuse whether I will tell, who can compell me? And could here readily reply with that *Egyptian* in ^b *Plutarch*, when a curious fellow would needes know what he had in his basket, *quum vides velatam, quid inquiris in rem absconditam?* it was therfore couered, because hee should not know what was in it. Seeke not after that which is hid, if the contents please thee, ^c and be for thy vse, suppose the man in the Moone, or whom thou wilt to be thy Author; I would not willingly be knowne. Yet in some sort to giue thee satisfaction, which is more then I need, I will shew a reason, both of this vsurped name, Title, and Subiect. And first of the name of *Democritus*; lest any man by reason of it, should be deceiued, expecting a Pasquill, a Satyre, or some ridiculous Treatise (as I my selfe should haue done) or some prodigious Tenent, or paradoxe of the Earths motion, of infinite Worlds *in infinito vacuo, ex fortuita atomorum collisione*, in an infinite waste, so caused by an accidentall collision of motes in the Sun, all which *Democritus* held; *Epicurus*, and their master *Leucippus* of old maintained, and are lately reuiued by *Copernicus*, *Brunus*, and some others. Besides it hath bin alwayes an ordinary custome, as ^d *Gellius* obserues, for later writers and impostors, to broach many absurd and insolent fictions, under the name of so noble a Philosopher as *Democritus*, to get themselves credit, and by that meanes the more to be respected. 'Tis not so with me,

^e *Non hic Centauros, non Gorgonas, Harpyasq;
Inuenies, hominem pagina nostra sapit.*

No Centaures heere, or Gorgons looke to find,
My subiect is of man, and humane kind.

Thou thy selfe art the subiect of my Discourse.

^f *Quicquid agunt homines, votum, timor, ira, voluptas,
Gaudia, discursus, nostri farrago libelli.*

What e're men doe, vowes, feares, in ire, in sport,
Ioyes, wandrings, are the summe of my report.

My Intent is no otherwise to vse his name, then *Mercurius Gallobelgicus*, *Mercurius Britannicus*, vse the name of *Mercury*, † *Democritus Christianus*, &c.

Although there be some other circumstances, for which I haue masked my selfe vnder this visard, and some peculiar respects, which I cannot so well ex-

^a Seneca in iuda
in mortem Clau-
dii Caesaris.

^b Lib. de curiosi-
tate.

^c Modò hæc tibi
usui sunt, quem-
vis auctorem
singis. Wecker.

^d Lib. 10. c. 12.
Multa à male
seriatis in De-
mocriti nomen
commenta data,
nob. litatis, auto-
ritatisq; eius
persugio utenti-
bus.

^e Martialis lib.
10, Epig. 14.

^f Inu. Sat. 1.

† Auth. Per.
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lontæ 1616.

Democritus to the reader.

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preſſe, vntill I haue ſet downe a brieſe character of this our Democritus, what he was, with an Epitome of his life.

Democritus, as he is deſcribed by ^g Hippocrates and ^h Laertius, was a little wearith old man, very melancholy by nature, auerſe from company in his latter times, ⁱ and much giuen to ſolitarineſſe, a famous Philoſopher in his age, ^k coeſus with Socrates, wholly addicted to his ſtudies, at the laſt, and to a priuate life, writ many excellent workes. A great Diuine, according to the diuinity of thoſe times, an expert Phyſician, a Politician, an excellent Mathematician, as his ^l Diacoſmus, and the reſt of his Workes doe witneſſe. He was much delighted with the ſtudies of huſbandry, ſaith ^m Columella, and often I finde him cited by ⁿ Conſtantinus and others, treating of that ſubieſt. Hee knew the natures, differences of all Beaſts, Plants, Fiſhes, Birds, and as ſome ſay, could vnderſtand the tunes and voices of them. In a word he was *omniſariam doctus*, a generall Scholler, a great ſtudent; and to the intent hee might better contemplate, ^p I find it related, that he put out his eyes, and was voluntarily blind, yet ſaw more then all Greece beſides, and ^q writ of euery ſubieſt, *Nihil in toto opificio natura, de quo non ſcripſit*. A man of an excellent wit, profound conceit; and to attaine knowledge the better in his younger yeares, hee trauelled to Egypt and ^r to Athens, to conferre with learned men, ^s admired of ſome, deſpiſed of others. After a wandring life, he ſettled at Abdera a towne in Thrace, and was ſent for thither to bee their law-maker, Recorder, or Towne-clearke, as ſome will; or as others, he was there bred & borne. Howeuer it was, there he liued at laſt in a garden in the ſuburbs wholly betaking himſelfe to his ſtudies, and to a priuate life. ^t ſauiſg that ſometimes he would walke downe to the haueſ, ^u and laugh hartily at ſuch variety of ridiculous obieſts, which there he ſaw. Such a one was Democritus.

But in the meane time, how doth this concerne mee, or vpon what reference doe I ſurpe his habit? I confeſſe indeed, that to compare my ſelfe vnto him for ought I haue yet ſaid, were both impudency and arrogancy. I do not preſume to make any parallell, *antiſtat mihi millibus trecentis & paruis ſum, nullus ſum, altum nec ſpiro, nec ſpero*. Yet thus much I will ſay of my ſelfe, and that I hope without all ſuſpicion of pride, or ſelfe-conceit, that I haue liu'd a ſilent, ſedentary, ſolitary, priuate life, *mihi & muſis*, in the Vniuerſitie this twenty yeares and more, ſpenned vp moſt part in my ſtudy. And though by my profeſſion a Diuine, yet *turbine raptus ingenij*, as ^v he ſaid, out of a running wit, an vnconſtant, vnſettled minde, I had a great deſire (not able to attaine to any ſuperficiall ſkill in any) to haue ſome ſmattering in all, to be *aliquis in omnibus, nullus in ſingulis*, which ^w Plato commendeth, and out of him ^x Lipſius approues and furthereth, as ſit to be imprinted in all curious wits, not be a ſlauer of one ſcience, or dwell altogether in one ſubieſt, as moſt doe, but to roue a broad, *centum puer artium*, to haue an oare in euery mans boat, ^y to taſte of euery diſh, and ſip of euery cup, which ſaith ^z Montaigne, was well performed by Ariſtotele, and his learned Country man Adrian Turnebus. This rouing humour (though not with like ſucceſſe) I haue euer had, and like a ranging Spaniell, that barks at euery bird he ſees, leauing his game, I haue followed all, ſauiſg that which I ſhould, and may iuſtly complaine, and truly, *qui ubiq;*

^g Hip. epiſt. Damaget.
^h Laert. lib. 9.
ⁱ Hortulo ſibi cellulam ſeligens ibiq; ſeipſum includens, vixit ſolitarivus.
^k Floruit Olympiade 80. 700 annis poſt Troyam.
^l Diacoſm. quod cunctis operibus facile excellit, Laert.
^m Col. lib. 1. c. 1.
ⁿ Conſtant. lib. de agric. paſſim.
^o Volucrum voces & linguas intelligere ſe dicebat. Abderitani epiſt. Hippoc.
^p Sabellicus exempl. lib. 10. oculis ſe privavit, ut melius contemplationi operam daret, ſublimi vir ingenio, profunde cogitationis, &c.
^q Naturalia, Moralia, Mathematica, liberales diſciplinæ, artiumq; omnium peritiâ callebat.
^r Veni Athenas, & nemome morit.
^s Idem contemptus & admirationi habitus.
^t Solebat ad portum ambulare, & inde, &c.
^u Hip. ep. Damag.
^v Perpetuo riſu pulmonem agitare ſolebat Democritus. Iuven. Sat. 7.
^w Non ſum dignus preſtare matellam. Mart.
^x Scaliger.
^y In theætet.
^z Phil. Stoic. lib. diff. 3. Doctrina cupidus & curioſus ingenioſus imprimendum, ut ſit talis qui nulli rei ſerviat, aut exacte unum aliquid elaboret, alia negligens, ut artiſices, &c.
^{aa} Delibare gratum de quocunq; cibo, & piſciſare de quocunq; dolio iucundum. Effaies lib. 3.

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Democritus to the Reader.

est, nusquam est, which ^d *Gesner* did in modesty, that I haue read many bookes, but to little purpose, for want of good method, I haue confusedly tumbled ouer many Authors in our Libraries, with small profit, for want of Art, order, memory, iudgement. I neuer travelled but in Mapped or Card, in which mine vnconfined thoughts haue freely expaciated, as hauing euer beene especially delighted with the study of *Cosmography*. ^e *Saturne* was Lord of my geniture, culminating, &c. and *Mars* principall significator of manners, in partile coniunction with mine *Ascendent*; both fortunate in their houses, &c. I am not poore, I am not rich; *nihil est, nihil deest*, I haue little, I want nothing: all my Treasure is in *Minerva's* Towre. Preferment as I could neuer get, so am I not in debt for it, although my friends prouidence, care, alacrity, and bounty was neuer wanting to doe mee good, yet either through mine own default, infelicity, want or neglect of opportunity, iniquity of times, preposterous proceeding, my hopes were still frustrate, and I left behind, as a Dolphin on shore, confined to my Colledge, as *Democritus* to his garden, *Diogenes* to his tubbe, where I still continue, and lead a Monastique life, *mihi & musis*, sequestred from those tumults and troubles of the world, *Et tanquam in speculâ positus* (^a as he said) I heare what is done abroad, how others ^b runne, ride, turmoile, and macerate themselues in court & country, farre from those wrangling Law sutes, *aula vanitatem, fori ambitionem, ridere mecum soleo*: I laugh at all, ^c onely secure, lest my sute goe amisse, my shippes perish, I haue no wife nor children, good or bad to prouide for. A mere spectator of other mens fortunes and adventures, I heare new newes euery day, and those ordinary rumors of warre, plagues, fires, inundations, thefts, murders, massacres, meteors, Comets, spectrums, apparitions: of townes taken, cities besieged in *France, Germany, Turkey, Persia, Poland, &c.* dayly musters and preparations, & such like, which these tempestuous times afford, battels fought, so many men slain, monomachies, shipwrackes, Piracies, & Seafighths, Peace, Leagues, Stratagemmes, & fresh alarums. A vast confusion of vowes, wishes, actions, edicts, petitions, law-sutes, pleas, lawes, proclamations, complaints, griuances, are dayly brought to our eares, new bookes euery day, pamphlets, currantoes, stories, whole Catalogues of bookes of all sorts, new paradoxes, opinions, schismes, heresies, controuersies in Philosophy, Religion, &c. Now comes tidings of weddings, maskings, mummeries, entertainmets. Iubilies, Embassies, tilts & tournaments, trophies, triumphes, reuels, sports, playes, then againe treasons, cheating trickes, robberies, enormous villanies of all sorts, funerals, burials, death of Princes; new discoueries, expeditions, now Comickall, then Tragicall matters. To day wee heare of new Lords and officers created, to morrow of some great men deposed, and then againe of fresh honors conferred, one is let loose, another imprisoned; one purchaseth, another breaketh, hee thrives, his neighbour turnes bankrupt; now plenty, then againe dearth and famine; one runnes, another rides, wrangles, laughes, weepes, &c. Thus I daily heare, & such like, both private, and publike newes, *privus privatus*, as I haue still liued, and so now continue, *statu quo prius*, left to a solitary life, and mine owne domesticke discontents. Sauing that sometimes, *ne quid mentiar*, as *Diogenes* went into the city, and *Democritus* to the haue to see fashions, I did for my recreation now and then walke abroad, looke into the world, and could not choose but make some little obseruati-

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^a *Prefat. bibliothec.*

^c *Ambo fortes & fortunati, Mars idem magisterii dominus, iuxta primam Leonis regulâ.*

^a *Hensus.*
^b *Calide ambientes, solliciti litigantes, aut miserè excident, vocet, strepitum, contentiones &c. Cyp. ad Donat.*
^c *Vnicus securus, ne extindam in foro, aut in mari Indico bonu eluam, de dote filie patrimonio, filii non sum sollicitus.*

Democritus to the Reader.

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^f Hor.

^g Per.

^h Hor.

ⁱ Secundum
menia locus erat
frondosis populis
opacis, viti-
busq;
sponte natis; te-
nus propè aqua
defluebat, placi-
de murmurans,
ubi sedile & do-
mus Democriti
conspiciebatur.
^k Ipse composu-
it, super
genus volumen
habens, & u-
trinq; alia pa-
tentia parata,
dissectaq; ani-
malia cumula-
tim strata, quo-
rum viscera ri-
mabatur.

^l Cùm mundus
extra se sit, &
mente captus sit,
& nesciat se
langere, ut me-
delam adhibeat.

^m Scaliger ep.
ad Patisonem.
nihil magis le-
torem inuitat
quàm inopina-
rum argumen-
tum, neq; vendi-
bilius merx est
quàm petulantis
liber.

ⁿ Lib. 20. cap.

^o 11. miras sequi-
tur inscriptionu
festiuitates.

^p Prasat. Nat.
hist. patri obse-
tricem parturi-
enti filie accor-
senti moram in-
uicere possunt.

^q Anatomy of
Popery. Ana-
tomy of im-
mortality.

^r Angelus Scalas,
Anatomy of
Antimonie, &c.

^s Cont. l. 4. c. 9.
non est cura me-
lior quàm labor.

^t Non quòd de
nouo quid addere
aut à veteri-
bus premissis
sed proprie exer-
citionis causa.

on, non tam sagax observator, ac simplex recitator, not as they did, to scoffe or laugh at all, but with a mixt passion,

^f Bilem sapere, iocum vestri mouere tumultus, I did some-
time laugh and scoffe with *Lucian*, and Satyrically taxe with *Menippus*, la-
ment with *Heracitus*, sometimes againe I was ^g petulanti splene cachinno,
and then againe, ^h vtere bilis iecur, I was much mooued to see that abuse
which I could not amend. In which passion howsoeuer I may sympathise
with him or them, 'tis for no such respect I shroud my selfe vnder his name,
but either vnder an vnknowne habite, to assume a little more liberry & free-
dome of speech, or if you will needs know, for that reason and onely respect,
which *Hippocrates* relates at large in his Epistle to *Damegetus*, wherein hee
doth expresse, how comming to visite him one day, he found *Democritus* in
his garden at *Abdera*, in the suburbs, ⁱ vnder a shady bowre, ^k with a book on
his knees, busie at his study, sometimes writing, sometime walking. The sub-
iect of his booke was Melancholy and Madnesse, about him lay the carkasses
of many seuerall beasts, newly by him cut vp and anatomized, nor that hee
did contemne Gods creatures, as he told *Hippocrates*, but to find out the seat
of this *atrabilis* or Melancholy, whence it proceeded, and how it was en-
gendred in mens bodies, to the intent he might better cure it in himselfe, &
by his writings and obseruations, ^l teach others how to preuent and auoide
it: which good intent of his, *Hippocrates* highly commended, *Democri-
tus Iunior* is therefore bold to imitate, and because hee left it vnperfect, to
prosecute and finish in this Treatise.

You haue had a reason of the Name, if the title and inscription offend
your gravity, were it a sufficient iustification to accuse others, I could pro-
duce many sober Treatises, even Sermons themselues, which in their fronts
carry more phantasticall names. Howsoeuer it is a kinde of pollicy in these
daies, to prefix a phantasticall title to a booke which is to be sold: for as larks
come downe to a day-net, many vaine Readers will tarry and stand gazing
like silly passengers, at an Anticke picture in a painters shop, that will not
looke at a iudicious peece. And indeed, as ^m Scaliger obserues, nothing more
inuites a Reader then an Argument vnlooked for, vnthought of, and sells bet-
ter then a scurrile Pamphlet. Many men, saith *Gellius*, are very concerted in
their inscriptions, and able (as ^o Pliny quotes out of *Seneca*) to make him loi-
ter by the way, that went in hast to fetch a mid-wife for his daughter, now rea-
dy to lye downe. For my part I haue honourable P presidents for this which I
haue done: I will cite one for all, *Anthony Zara Pap. episc.* his Anatomy of
wit, in foure Sections, Members, sublections, &c. to be read in our Libraries.

If any man except against the matter or manner of treating of this my
Subiect, and will demand a reason of it, I can alleage more then one, I write
of Melancholy, by being busie to auoid Melancholy. There is no greater
cause of Melancholy then idlenesse, no better cure then businesse, as ^q *Rhasis*
holds: and howbeit, *stultus labor est ineptiarum*, to bee busied in toyes is to
small purpose, yet heare that diuine *Seneca*, better aliud agere quàm nihil, bet-
ter doe to no end then nothing. I writ therefore, and busied my selfe in this
playing labour, like them, saith *Lucian*, that recite to trees, and declaim to pil-
lers for want of Auditors: as *Paulus Aegineta* confesseth of himselfe, not that
any thing was vnknowne or omitted, but to exercise my selfe, which course if
some

some tooke, I thinke it would be good for their bodies, and much better for their soules, or peradventure as some doe for fame, to shew my selfe (*Scire tuum nihil est, nisi te scire hoc sciat alter*) I might bee of *Thucydides* opinion, † to knowe a thing and not expresse it, is all one as if he knewe it not. When I first tooke this taske in hand, this I aymed at; † *vel ut lenirem animum scribendo*, to ease my minde by writing, for I had † *gravidum cor, fatum caput*, a kinde of impostume in my head, which I was very desirous to bee vnladen of, and could imagine no fitter euacuation then this. Besides I could not well re-fraine, for *ubi dolor ibi digitus*, one must needs scrat where it itcheth. I was not a little offended with this malady, shall I say my Mistris *Melancholy*, my *Egeria*, or my *malus Genius*, and for that cause, as hee that is stung with a Scorpion, I would expell *clavum clavo*,^u comfort one sorrow with another, idlenesse with idlenesse: or as he did, of whom * *Felix Plater* speakes, that though he had some of *Aristophanes* frogs in his belly, still crying *Brecc'cke* *coax coax, oop, oop, oop*, and for that cause studied Physicke seauen yeares, & travelled ouer most part of *Europe* to ease himselfe: to doe my selfe good I turned ouer such Physitians our Libraries would afford, or my * private friends impart, and haue taken this paines. And why not? *Cardan* professeth he writ his bookes *de Consolatione* after his sonnes death, to comfort himselfe, so did *Tully* write of the same subiect with the same intent, after his daughters departure, if it bee his at least, or some impostors put out in his name, which *Lipsius* probably suspects. Concerning my selfe, I can peradventure affirme that which *Marius* did in *Salust*, † that which others beare of or read of, I felt and practised my selfe, they get their knowledge by bookes, I mine by *melancholising*. Experto crede *ROBERTO*. Something I can speake out of experience, & with her in the Poet, † *Hand ignara mali miseris succurrere disco*. I would helpe others out of a fellow feeling, and as that vertuous Lady did of old, † being a leaper her selfe, bestow all her portien to build an Hospitall for leapers, I will spend my time and knowledge, which are my greatest fortunes, for the common good of all.

Yea but you will inferre, that this is † *actum agere*, an vnecessary worke, *cramben bis coctam apponere*, the same againe and againe in other words: To what purpose? † Nothing is omitted that may well be said, so thought *Lucian* in the like Theame. How many excellent Physitians haue written iust Volumes and elaborate Tracts of this subiect? No newes here, all that which I haue, is stolne from others, † *Dicitq, mihi mea pagina fur es*. If that seueredoom of * *Synesius* be true. It is a greater offence, to steale dead mens labours, then their cloathes, what shall become of most writers? I hold vp my hand at the barre amongst the rest, and am guilty of felony in this kinde, *habes confidentem reum*, I am content to be pressed with the rest. Tis most true, *tenet insanabile multos Scribendi cacoethes*, and † there is no end of writing of bookes, as the wise man found of old, in this † scribling age, especially wherein † the number of books is without number, as a wort by man saith, Presses be oppressed, and out of an itching humour, that every man hath to shew himselfe, & desirous of fame and honour, he will write no matter what, and scrape together it bootes not whence. † Bewitched with this desire of fame, *etiam medijs in morbis* to the disparagement of their health, and scarce able to hold a penne, they must say something, † and get themselves a name, saith *Scaliger*, though it

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† *Erasmus*.
† *Qui novit, neq, id quod sentit exprimit perinde est ac si nesciret.*
† *Optim' otio dolorem dolore sum solatus.*
† *Observat. l. i.*
* *M^r John Rous our Praetorib. Oxon.*
† *M. Hopper, & Guthridge &c.*
† *Que illi audire & legere solent eorum parum vidi ego met, alia gessi, quae illi literis ego militando didici, nunc vos ex istimate facta an dicta pluris sint.*
† *Dido Virg.*
† *Camden. Ipsa elephanti cor-rupta e' ephantiasis hospitium construxit.*
† *Iliada post Homerum.*
† *Nihil prater missum quod a quousdici possit.*
† *Martialis.*
† *Magis impium mortuorum lucubrations quam vestes furari.*
† *Eccl. ult.*
† *Libros eunuchis gignunt, steriles pariunt.*
† *D. King praefat lecti. Ionas.*
† *the late right Reverend L. Bishop of London.*
† *Homines famelicis gloria ad ostentationem eruditionis vndiq, congerunt.*
† *Buchananus.*
† *Effascinati etiam laudis amore &c. Iustus Baronius.*
† *Exvinit alle-ne existimatio-nis sibi gradum ad fama frangere*

Omnes sibi fa-
man querunt
et quovis modo
in orbem spargi
contendunt ut
noue al cuius
rei habeantur
Autiores, Pref.
Biblioth.

Plantus.

E. Democritus

puteo.

Non tam re-

ferre bibliote-

ca quam cloace.

Et quicquid

ebayis amici-

tur inep. is.

P. Epist. ad Pe-

taf. In regno

Francie omni-

bis scribendi

datur libertas,

paucis facultas

4 Olim litera ob

homines in pre-

cio nunc fordeat

ob homines.

† Anf. pac.

Inter tot mille

volamina vix

unus a cuius le-

ctione quis me-

lior evadat, im-

mo potius non

peior.

† Lib. 5. de sap.

† Sterile oportet

esse ingenium

quod in hoc

scripturientium

pruritu, &c.

† Cardan. pref.

ad consol.

† Hor. ser. 1.

Sat. 4.

† Epist. lib. 1.

Magnum poeta-

rum proventum

annus hic attu-

lit mense Aprilis

nullus fere dies

quo non aliquis

recitauit.

† Idem.

† Principibus

et doctoribus

deliberandum

velinquo, ut ar-

guantur antho-

rum furta et

millies repetita

calantur. et te-

mere scribendi

libido coarceatur aliter in infinitum progressura.

† Onerabuntur ingenia nemo legendis sufficit.

† Libris obrui mur oculi legendo

manum volitando dolent. Pam. Strada Adomo.

be to the downefall and ruine of many others. To be counted writers, *scriptores*
ut *salutentur*, to be thought and held *Polumathes* and *Polihiftors*, to get a pa-
per kingdome: they will rush into all learning, *rogatane, armatam*, divine, hu-
mane authors, rake ouer all *Indices* & pamphlets for notes, as our merchants
doe strange hauens for traffique, write great Tomes, *Cum non sint reuera do-*
ctiores, sed loquaciores, whe as they are not thereby better schollers, but grea-
ter praters. They commonly pretend publike good, but as *Gesner* obserues
tis pride and vanity that egges them on, no newes or ought worthy of note
but the same in other tearmes. As Apothecaries wee make new mixtures e-
very day, powre out of one vessell into another, and skim of the creame
of other mens wits, picke out the choice flowers out of their tild gardens to
set out our owne sterill plots. A fault that every writer findes, as I doe now
and yet faulty themselves, *trium literarum homines*, all theeeues pilfer out of
old writers to stuffe vp their new comments, scrape *Ennius* dunghills, & out
of *Democritus* pirt, as I haue done. By which meanes it comes to passe,
that not only Libraries and shops are full of our putid papers, but every close
steole and iakes; they serue to put vnder pies, to lappe spice in, and keepe
roftmeat from burning. With vs in France, saith *P. Scaliger*, every man hath
liberty to write, but few ability, & heretofore learning was graced by inditons
schollers, but now noble sciences are vilified by base and illiterate scriblers, that
either write for vaine glory, or need, or to get money, or as parasites to flat-
ter and collogue with some great man, put out *† burras, quisquiliisq, inepti-*
asq, amongst so many thousand authors, you shall scarce finde one by reading of
whom you shall be any whit better, but rather much worse, quibus inficitur po-
tius, quam perficitur, by which hee is rather infected, then any way perfected.
† *Cardan* findes fault with Frenchmen and Germanes for this scribbling to no
purpose, non inquit ab edendo deterreo, modo novum aliquid inueniant, hee
doth not bar them to write, so that it be some new invention of their owne;
but we weaue the same webbe stil, and twist the same rope againe & againe,
or if it be a new inuention, tis but some bable or toy, and who so cannot in-
uent? He must haue a barren wit, that in his scribbling age can forge nothing.
† Princes shew their armies, rich men vaunt their buildings, souldiers their ma-
hood, and schollers vent their toyes, they must read, they must heare whether
they will or no. † Et quodcumq, semel chartis ille verit omnes

Gestiet a furno redeuntes scire lacuq, Et pueros & anus.

* What once is said and writ, all men must knowe,

Old wiues and children, as they come & goe.

what
a company of Poets hath this yeare brought out, as *Pliny* complaines to *Sossius*
Sinesius, all this April every day some or other haue recited. What a Cata-
logue of new bookes all this yeare, all this age (I say) haue our *Francfurt*
Marts, domesticke brought out, Twice a yeare? † *Proferunt se nova ingenia*
& ostentant, we stretch our wits out and set them to sale. So that, which *Ges-*
ner so much desires, if a speedy reformation bee not had by some Princes e-
dicts and graue supervisors, to restraine this liberty, it will runne on in infi-

nitum. Who shall read them? as already, we shall haue a vast Chaos & con-

fusion of bookes. We are † oppressed with them, our eyes ake with rea-

ding

ding, our fingers with turning. For my part I am one of the number, *nos numerus sumus*. J doe not deny it, J haue only this of *Macrobius* to say for my selfe, *Omne meum nihil meum*, tis all mine and none mine. As a good huf- wife out of many fleeces makes one peece of cloath, a Bee gathers waxe and hony out of many flowers, and makes a new bundle of all,

* *Floriferis ut apes in saltibus omnia libant*, J haue laboriously collected this *Cento* out of many Authors, & that *sine iniuria*, I haue wronged no Authors, but what *Varro lib. 6. de rer. rust.* speakes of Bees, *minime malefica nullius opus vellicantes faciunt deterius*, J can say of my selfe, whom haue I iniured? the matter is theirs most part, J make them pay tribute, to set out this my *Macronicon*, the method only is mine owne, I must vsurpe that of *Wecker* è *Terentio*, *nihil dictum quod non dictum prius, methodus sola artificem offendit*, we can say nothing but what hath beene said, the composition and method is ours only, and shewes a scholler. *Oribasius*, *Etius*, *Avicenna*, haue all out of *Galen*, but to their owne method, *diuerso stylo non diuersa fide*, our Poets steale from *Homer*, he spewes, saith *Eliau*, they lick it vp. *Divines* vse *Austins* wordes *verbatim* still, and our story dressers doe as much, he that comes last is commonly best; ——— *donec quid grandius etas*

Postera, forsq. ferat melior, ——— though there were many Giants of old in *Phylicke* & *Philosophy*, yet J say with † *Didacus Stella*, a dwarfse standing on the shoulders of a Giant, may see farther then a Giant himselfe; I may likely adde, alter, and see more then my predecessors; and it is no more preiudice for me to write after others, then for *Eliau* *Montaltus* that famous Phisician, to write *de morbis capitis* after *Iason Pratenfis*, *Heurnius*, *Hil- desheim*, &c. many horses to runne in a race, one Logician, one Rhetorician, after another. Oppose then what thou wilt, I solue it thus. And for those other faults of *Barbarisme* *Doricke* dialect, extemporanean stile, *Tautologies*, apish imitation, a rapsodie of ragges gathered together from severall dunghills, and confusedly tumbled out: without art, inuention, iudgement, wit, learning, harsh, absurd, insolent, indiscreet, ill composed, vaine, scurrile, idle, dull, and dry; J confesse all, thou canst not think worse of me then I doe of my selfe. All I say is this, that I haue ^d presidents for it, which *Isocrates* calls *perfurium* *is qui peccant*, others as absurd, vaine, idle, illiterate, &c. *Nonnulli alij idem fecerunt*, others haue done as much, it may bee, more, and perhapps thou thy selfe, *Novimus & qui te*, &c. wee haue all our faults, *scimus & hanc veniam*, &c. thou censurest me, so haue I done others, and may doe^f thee, *Cedimus inq. vicem*, &c. tis *lex talionis*, *quid pro quo*. Goe now censure, criticize, scoffe and raile. *Nasutus sis usq. licet sis deniq. nasus*.

Non potes in nugis dicere plura meas,
Ipsa ego quam dixi, &c.

Werst thou all scoffes and flouts, a very *Momus*,
Then we our selues, thou canst not say worse of vs.

Thus as when women scold haue I cryed whore first, and in some mens censures, I am afraid I haue ouershot my selfe, *Laudare se vani, vituperare stulti*, as I doe not arrogate, I will not derogate. *Primus vestrum non sum nec imus*, I am not none of the best, I am none of the meanest of you. Be it therefore as it is, well or ill, I haue affaid, put my selfe vpon the stage, I must abide the censure, I may not escape it. It is most true, *stylus virum arguit*, our stile

* *Lucretius*,
Quicquid v-
biq. bene dictum
facio meum, &
illud nunc meis
ad compendium,
nunc ad fidem
& auctoritatem
alienis exprimo
verbis, omnes
auctores meos
clientes esse at-
tributor, &c. Sa-
ruburionis ad
Polyerat. prol.
Presat. ad
Syntax. med.
† *In Luc. 10.*
Tom. 2. Pigmei
Gigantum hu-
meris impositi
pl. squam ipsi
Gigantes vident
Nec aranea-
rum textus ideo
melior quia ex
se fila gigan-
tur, nec nos-
ter ideo vilior quia
ex alienis liba-
mus ut apes.
Lipsius aduersus
dialogist.
Vno absurdo
dato mille se-
quuntur.
Non dubito
multos lectores
hic fore stultos.
Martial. 13.2.

† *Ve venatores feram e vestigio impresso, virum scriptiuncula.*
Lipsius.
= Hor.
bewrayes vs, and as † hunters finde their game by the trace, so is a mans *Genius* descried by his workes. I haue laid my selfe open (I know it) in this Treatise, I shall be censured, I doubt not, yet this is some comfort, *vs palata sic iudicia*, our censures are as various as our palats.

* *Tres mihi convivie prope dissentire videntur
Poscentes vario multum diuersa palato, &c.*

Our writings are as so many dishes, our Readers guests; our books like beauty, that which one admires another reiects; so are we approued as mens fancies are inclined, *Pro captu lectoris habent sua fata libelli*, That which is most pleasing to one is *amaracum suu*, most harsh to another. *Quot homines tot sententia*, so many men so many mindes: that which thou condemnest he commends,

† Hor.

† *Quod petis id sane est inuisum acidumq; duobus.*

He respects matter, thou art wholly for words, hee loues a loose & free stile, thou art all for neat composition, strong lines, that which one admires, another explodes as most absurd and ridiculous. If it be not point blanke to his humor, his method, his conceipt, *a Si quid forsan omissum, quod is animo conceperit, si qua dictio &c.* if ought be omitted or added, which he likes or dislikes, thou art *mancipium paucae lectionis*, an idiot, an asse, *nullus es*, or els *plagiarius*, a trisler, a triuant, thou art an idle fellow; or els 'tis a thing of meere industry, a collectio without wit or invention, a very toy. *b Facilia sic putant omnes quae iam facta, nec de salebris cogitant, ubi via strata*, so men are valued, their labors vilified by fellowes of no worth themselves, as things of nought, who could not haue done as much? *unusquisq; abundat sensu suo*, euery man abounds in his owne sense, and whilest each particular party is so affected, how should one please all?

a Aurelius.

b Lipsius.

c Hor.

c *Quid dem, quid non dem? renuis tu quod iubet ille?*

how shall I hope to expresse my selfe to each mans humor and d conceipt, or to giue satisfaction to all? Some vnderstand too little, some too much, some are too partiall, as friends to ouerweene, others come with a preiudice to carpe, vilify, detract and scoffe; some as Bees for hony, some as Spiders to gather poyson. What shall I doe in this case? As a Dutch Hostess, if you come to an Inn in Germany, and dislike your fare, diet, lodging, &c. replies in a surly tone, *e aliud tibi queras diuersorium*, if you like not this, get you to another Inn; I resolute, if you like not my writing, goe read something els. I doe not much esteeme thy censure, take thy course, 'tis not as thou wilt, nor as I will, but when we haue both done, that of *f Plinius Secundus* to Traian, will proue true, *Euery mans witty labour takes not, except the matter, subiect, occasion, and some commending Favorite happen to it.* If I be taxed, exploded by thee and some such, I shall happily be approued and commended by others.

d Fieri non potest, ut quod quisq; cogitat, dicat unus. Muretus.

e Erasmus dial. Epist. lib. 6.

f Cuiusque ingenium non statim emergit, nisi materiae fautor, occasio, commendatorque contingat.

g Lipsius Indic. de Seneca.

h Lib. 10. Plurimum studiij, multam rerum cognitionem, omnem studiorum materiam &c. multa in eo probanda, multa admiranda.

i Sueton. Arena sine calce.

It was Democritus his fortune, *Idem admirationi & irrisioni habitus*. 'Twas Seneca's fate, that Superintendent of wit, learning, iudgement, & ad stuporem doctus, the best of Greeke and Latine writers, in Plutarchs opinion, that renowned corrector of vice, as h Fabius termes him, and painefull omniscious Philosopher, that writ so excellently and admirably well, could not please all parties, or escape censure: how is he vilified by i Caligula, Agellius, Fabius, & Lipsius himselfe, his chiefe oppugner? in eo plerag; pernitiosa, saith the same Fabius, many childish tracts and sentences he hath, *sermo illaboratus*, too negligent

glibent often, and remisse, as *Agellius* obserues, *oratio vulgaris & protrita, di-*
caces & inepta sententia, eruditio plebia, an homely shallow writer, In parti-
bus spinas & fastidia habet, saith ^k *Lipsius*, and as in all his other workes, so e-
 specially in his Epistles, *alie in argutijs & ineptijs occupantur, Intricatus ali-*
cubi, & parum compositus, sine copia rerum hoc fecit, he jumbles vp many things
 together immethodically, after the Stoicks fashion, *parum ordinavit, multa*
accumulauit, &c. If *Seneca* be thus lashed, and many famous men that I could
 name, what shall I expect? how shall I hope to please? *no man so absolute*,
 I *Erasmus* holds, *to satisfie all, except antiquity, prescription &c. set a barre*.
 But as I haue proued in *Seneca*, this will not alwayes take place. how shall I
 evade? 'tis the common doone of all Writers, I must (I say) abide it, I seek
 not applause; *non sum adeo informis*, I would not be vilified: I feare good
 mens censures, and to their fauourable acceptance I submit my labours,

— *linguas Mancipiorum Contemno*, —

as the barking of a dog, I securely contemne those malicious and scurrile ob-
 Inquies, flowtes, calumnies, of railers and detractors, I scorne the rest. What
 therefore I haue said *pro tenuitate mea*, I haue said.

One or two things yet I would haue amended if I could, concerning the
 manner of handling this my subiect, for which I must Apologize, *deprecari*,
 and giue the friendly Reader notice. It was not mine intent to prostitute my
 Muse in *English*, or to divulge *secreta Minerva*, but to haue exposed this
 more contract in *Latin*, but I could not get it printed. Any scurrile pamphlet
 is welcome to our mercenary Printers in *English*; but in *Latin* they will not
 deale; which is one of the reasons which ⁿ *Nicholas Car* in his Oration of the
 paucity of *English* Writers, giues; that so many flourishing wittes are smo-
 thered in obliuion, lye dead and buried in this our Nation. Another maine
 fault is, that I haue not reuised the Copie, and amended the stile, which now
 flowes remissely, as it was first conceiued, but my leisure would not permit,
Feci nec quod potui, nec quod volui. I confesse it is neither as I would, or as it
 should be. ^o *Cum relego scripsisse pudet, quia plurima cerno*

Me queq, que fuerant indice digna lini.

When I peruse this Tract which I haue writ,

I am abash't, and much I hold vnfit.

I should indeed (had I wisely done) obserued that Brecept of the Poet,

— *non umq, prematur in annum*, — and haue taken more
 care: Or as *Alexander* the Physitian would haue done by *Lapis Lazuli*, fifty
 times washed before it be vsed, I should haue reuised, corrected, and amen-
 ded this Tract; but I had not (as I say) that happy leisure, no *Amannenses* as-
 sistants, and was therefore enforced, as a Beare doth her whelpes, to bring
 forth this confused lump, and had not time to lick it into forme, as she doth
 her yong ones, but euen so to publish it, as it was first written, *quicquid in*
buccam venit, in an extemporean stile, as P I doe commonly all other exerci-
 ses, *effudi quicquid dictauit Genius meus*, out of a confused company of notes,
 and writ with as small deliberation as I doe ordinarily speake, without all af-
 fection of big words, fustian phrases, jingling termes, strong lines, straines
 of wit, eulogies, exornations, &c. which many so much affect. I am ^a *aque po-*
 tor, a loose, plaine, rude writer, *scum voco scum, & lignonem lignonem*, and as
 free, as loose, *idem calamo quod in mente*, I call a spade a spade, *animis hac*

^k *Introduc. ap Sen.*

^l *Indic. de Sen. Vix aliquis tam absolutus, ut aliter per omnia satisfiat, nisi longa temporis prescriptio, se- mota iudicandi libertate, religi- one quidam a- nimos occupat.*
^m *Iuven. Sat. 5*

ⁿ *Aut artis in- scii aut quod- dam magis quam lite- ris student. hab. Cantabrig. & Lond. excus. 1576.*

^o *Ouid. de pont. Eleg. 1. 6.*

^p *Stans pede in uno, as hee made Verses.*
^a *Non eadem a summo expellet, minimeque Po- eta.*
^r *Stylus hic aut- lus preter par- resam.*

¹ Qui rebus se
exercet, verba
negligit, & qui
salutem artem di-
cendi, nullam
disciplinam hor-
bet recognitam.
² Cuiuscuque
orationem vides
politam, & solli-
citam, scito ani-
mum in pusillis
occupatum, in
scriptis nil soli-
dum, Epist. lib. 1.
21.
³ Philostratus
lib. 8. vit. Apoll.
Negligebat ora-
toriam faculta-
tem, & peritis
aspirabantur
eius professores,
quod linguam
elutaxat, non
animum mentem
redderent erudi-
torem.

⁴ Pet. Nannius
not. in Hor.

⁵ Non hic colo-
rum domicilia
habeo, sed topi-
ca in morem,
vinc inde flore
vellico, ut canis
Nilum lambens.
⁶ Supra his
mille notabiles
errores Lauran-
ti demonstravi,
&c.

⁷ Philo de Com.

scribo, non auribus, I respect matter, not words; remembring that of *Cardan*,
verba propter res, non res propter verba: and seeking with *Seneca*, *quid scri-
bam non quemadmodum*, rather what, then how to write. For as ¹ *Philo* thinks,
hee that is conversant about matter, neglects wordes, and those that excell in this
art of speaking, haue no profound learning. Besides, it was the obseruation of
that wise *Seneca*, when you see a fellow carefull about his wordes, and neat in his
speech, know this for a certainty, that mans minde is busied about toyes, there's
no solidity in him. *Non est ornamentum virile concinnitas*, as he said of a nigh-
tingale. — *voxes prater ea nihil, &c.* I am therefore in this point a pro-
fessed disciple of ² *Apollonius*, a scholler of *Socrates*, I neglect phrases, and
labour wholly to informe my Readers vnderstanding, not to please his eare;
tis not my study or intent to compose neatly, which an Orator requires, but
to expresse my selfe readily and plainly, as it happens. So that as a riuer runs
sometimes precipitate and swift, then dull and slow; now direct, then *per am-
bages*; now deepe, then shallow; now muddy, then cleare; now broad, then
narrow; doth my stile flow: now serious, then light; now Comickall, then
Satyricall; now more elaborate, then remisse, as the present subiect required,
or as at that time I was affected. And if thou vouchsafe to read this Treatise,
it shall seeme no otherwise to thee, then the way to an ordinary trauailer,
sometimes faire, sometimes foule; here champion, there inclosed; barren in
one place, better soile in another: by woods, groues, hilles, dales, plaines, &c.
I shall lead thee *per ardua montium*, & *lubrica vallium*, & *rosida cespitum*, &
glebosa camporum, through variety of obiects, that which thou shalt like and
dislike.

For the matter it selfe or method, if it be faulty, consider I pray you that
of *Columella*, *nil perfectum, aut à singulari consummatum industria*, no man
can obserue all, much is defectiue no doubt, and may be iustly taxed, altered,
and auoided in *Galen*, *Aristotle*, those great masters. *Boni venatoris* (³ one
holdes) *plures feras capere, non omnes*, hee is a good Huntsman can catch
some, not all: I haue done mine endeauiour. Besides, I dwell not in this study,
Non hic sulcos ducimus, non hoc pulvere desudamus, I am but a smatterer, I
confesse, a stranger, here and there I pull a flowre, I doe easily grant, if a rigid
censurer should criticize on this which I haue writ, he should not finde three
sole faults, as *Scaliger* in *Terence*, but 300, as many as he hath done in *Car-
dans* subtilties, as many notable errors as ⁴ *Gul. Laurembergius*, a late Ptofes-
sor of *Rostocke*, discouers in that Anatomy of *Laurentius*, or *Barocius* the *Ve-
netian* in *Sacro-bosco*. And although this bee a second Edition, in which I
should haue bin more accurate, corrected al those former escapes, yet it was
magni laboris opus, so difficult and tedious, that as Carpenters doe find out of
experience, tis much better build a new, then pull downe an old house; I
could as soone write as much more, as alter that which is written. If ought
therefore be amisse (as I grant there is) I require a friendly admonition, no
bitter inuestiue, ⁵ *Sint Musis socij Charites, Furia omnis abesto*,
otherwise as in ordinary Controversies, *funem contentionis nequamus, sed cui
bonor* wee may contend, and likely misuse each other, but to what purpose?
we are both schollers say, — *Arcades ambo,*

Et cantare pares, & respondere parati.

If wee doe wrangle, what shall wee get by it? trouble and wrong our selues,
make

make sport of others. If I be convict of an error, I will yeeld, I will amend. In the meane time I require a fauourable censure of all faults omitted, harsh compositions, Tautologicall repetitions, perturbations of Tenses, numbers, Printers faults, &c. My translations are sometimes rather Paraphrases, & that onely taken, which was to my purpose: quotations are often inserted in the Text, which make the Style more harsh, or in the margent as it happened. Greeke authors, *Plato, Plutarch, Athenæus, &c.* I haue cited out of their Interpreters, because the Originall was not so ready. I haue mingled *sacra prophætis*, but I hope not prophaned; and in repetition of Authors names, ranked them *per accidens*, not according to Chronology; sometimes Neoterickes before Ancients, as my memory suggested. Some things are heere altered, expunged in this Edition, others amended; much added, & 'tis no preiudice, no such *indecorum*, or ouerlight.

† *Nunquam ita quicquam benè subducta ratione ad vitam fuit,
Quin res, atq; usus, semper aliquid apportent novi;
Aliquid moneat, ut illa quæ scire te credas, nescias,
Et quæ tibi putaris prima, in exercendo ut repudias.*

† *Ter. Adelp.*

Ne'er was ought yet at first contriu'd so fit,

But use, age, or something would alter it;

Aduise thee better, and vpon peruse,

Make thee not say, and what thou tak'st, refuse.

The last and greatest exception is, that I being a Diuine, haue meddled with Physicke,

† *Heaut. act. 1. sc. 1.*

Aliena ut cures, eaq; nihil quæ ad te attinent.

which *Menedemus* told *Chremes*, haue I so much leasure, or little businesse of mine owne, as to looke after other mens matters which concerne mee not? Heare me speake. There bee many other subiects, I doe easily grant, both in humanity and diuinity, fit to be treated of, and of which had I written *ad ostentationem* only, to shew my selfe, I should haue rather chosen, & in which I haue bin more conuersant, I could haue more willingly luxuriated, and better satisfied my selfe and others; but that at this time I was fatally driuen vpon this rocke of Melancholy, and carried away by this by-streame, which as a rillet, is deducted from the maine channell of my studies, in which I haue pleased and busied my selfe at idle houres, as a subiect most necessary and commodious. Not that I preferre it before Diuinity, which I doe acknowledge to bee the Queene of Professions, and to which all the rest are but as handmaidens, but that in Diuinity I saw no such great need. For had I written positively, there be so many bookes in that kinde, so many Commentators, Treatises, Pamphlets, Expositions, Sermons, that whole teemes of Oxen can not draw them; and had I beene as forward and ambitious as some others, I might haue happily printed a Sermon at *Paules Crosse*, a Sermon in *S^t Maries Oxon.* a Sermon in *Christchurch*, or a Sermon before the right Honorable, right Reuerend, a Sermon before the right VVorshipfull, a Sermon in Latin, in English, a Sermon with a name, a Sermon without, a Sermon, a Sermon, &c. But I haue euer beene as desirous to suppress my labours in this kind, as others haue beene to presse and publish theirs. To haue written in controuersie, had beene to cut off an *Hydra's* head, *lis litem generat*, one begets another, so many duplications, triplications, and swarms of questi-

† *Et inde cutena quadam fit quæ heredes etiam ligat. Cardan.*

ons,

† Hensius.

¹ Hor. epod. lib. od. 7.

² Epist. 86. ad

Casulam presoyt.

³ Lib 12. cap. 1.

⁴ Mutor nasci, &

⁵ omni scientia e-

⁶ gere satius fuis-

⁷ set, quam sic in

⁸ propriam verni-

⁹ ciem inire.

¹⁰ Infelix morta-

¹¹ litas inutilibus

¹² questionibus ac

¹³ d'sceptationibus

¹⁴ vitam tradidi-

¹⁵ mus nature

¹⁶ principes thesau-

¹⁷ ros, in quibus

¹⁸ gravissime mor-

¹⁹ borum medicina

²⁰ collocata sunt,

²¹ interim intactos

²² relinquimus.

²³ Nec ipsi solū

²⁴ relinquimus, sed

²⁵ & alios prohibe-

²⁶ mus, impedimus,

²⁷ condemnamus,

²⁸ ludibryis affici-

²⁹ mus.

³⁰ P Quod in pra-

³¹ xi minime for-

³² tunatus esset,

³³ medicinam reli-

³⁴ quit, & ordini-

³⁵ bus initiatus in

³⁶ Theologia post

³⁷ modum scripsit.

³⁸ Gesner Biblio-

³⁹ thecā.

⁴⁰ P. Iovius.

* Mr William

Burton Preface

to his descrip-

tion of Lece-

stershire, prin-

ted at London

by John White

1622.

† In Hygiasticon,

neq; enim hec

tractatio aliena

videri debet a

Theologo, &c.

agitur de morbo

animæ.

ons, in sacro bello hoc quod stili mucrone agitur, that having once begunne, I should never make an end, and that with such eagerneſſe and bitterneſſe in ſuch questions they proceed, that as ¹ he ſaid, *furor ne cecus, an rapit vis acris, or, an culpa, responſum date?* Blind fury or error, or raſhneſſe, or what it is that egges them, I know not, I am ſure many times, which ² *Auſtin* perceiued long ſince, *tempeſtate contentiois ſerenitas charitatis obnubilatur*, with this tempeſt of contention, the ſerenity of charity is overclouded, & there be too many ſpirits coniured vp already in this kind, in all ſciences, & more then we can tell how to lay, and doe ſo furiouſly rage and keep ſuch a racket, that as ³ *Fabius* ſaid, it had beene much better for ſome of them to haue bin borne dumbe, and altogether illiterate, then ſo farre to dote to their own deſtruction. 'Tis a genetall fault, as *Seuerinus* the Dane complains. ⁴ *Unhappy men, as we are, we ſpend our dayes in unprofitable questions and diſputations*, Intricate ſubtilties de lanâ caprinâ, about moonſhine ith' water, leauing in the meane time thoſe chiefeſt treaſures of Nature untouched, wherein the beſt medicines for all manner of diſeaſes are to be found, and doe not only neglect them our ſelues, but hinder, condemne, forbid and ſcoffe at others, that are willing to enquire after them. Theſe motiues at this preſent, haue induced me to make choice of this medicinall ſubiect.

If any Phyſitian in the meane time ſhould inferre, *Ne ſutor ultra crepidâ*, and find himſelfe grieued that I haue intruded into his Profeſſion, I will tell him in brieſe, I doe not otherwiſe by them, then they doe by vs. If it bee for their advantage, I know many of them, which haue taken Orders, in hope of a Benefice, 'tis a common tranſition, and why may not a Melancholy Diuine, that can get nothing but by Simony, profeſſe Phyſicke? *Drusianus* an Italian (*Crusianus*, but corruptly, *Trithemius* calls him) ⁵ *P* becauſe hee was not fortunate in his practice, forſooke his profeſſion, and writ afterwards in Diuinity. *Marſilius Ficinus* was ſemel & ſimul, a Prieſt and Phyſitian at once, and ⁶ *T. Linacer* in his old age tooke Orders. The *Ieſuites* profeſſe both at this time, many of them *permiſſu ſuperiorum*, Chirurgions, Panders, Bawdes, and Midwiues, &c. Many poore Country Vicars, for want of other meanes, are driuen to their ſhifts, to turne Mountebankes, Quackſaluers, Empiricks, and if our greedy Patrons hold vs to ſuch hard conditions, as commonly they doe, they will make many of vs worke at ſome trade, as *Paul* did, at laſt turne Taskers, Maſters, Coſtermongers, Graſiers, ſell Ale as ſome doe, or worſe. Howſoeuer in vndertaking this taſke, I hope I ſhall commit no great error or indecorum, if al be conſidered aright, I can vindicat my ſelfe with *Georgius Braunius*, & *Hieronymus Hemingius*, thoſe two learned Diuines who (to borrow a line or two of mine ⁷ elder Brother) drawne by a naturall loue, the one of Pictures and Mappes, Proſpectiues & Chorographiſcall delights, writ that ample Theater of Cities; the other to the ſtudy of Genealogies, penned *Theatrum Genealogicum*. Or I can excuſe my ſelfe with ⁸ *Leſſius* the *Ieſuite* in like caſe, 'tis a diſeaſe of the Soule, on which I am to treat, and as much appertaining to a Diuine, as to a Phyſitian; and who knowes not what an agreement there is betwixt theſe two Profeſſions? A good Diuine either is, or ought to bee a good Phyſitian, a ſpirituall Phyſitian at leaſt, as our Sauour calls himſelfe, & was indeed *Mat. 4. 23. Luke 5. 18. Luke 7. & 8.* They differ but in obiect, the one of the Body, the other of the Soule, and vſe diuers medicines all to cure:

one cures *animam per corpus*, the other *corpus per animam*, as † our Regius Professor of Physicke well informed vs in a learned Lecture of his. One the vices and passions of the Soule, Anger, Lust, Desperation, Pride, Presumption, &c, by applying that spirituall Physick; as the other vse proper remedies in bodily diseases. Now this being a common infirmity of Body and Soule, and such a one as hath as much need of a spirituall as a corporal cure, I could not find a fitter taske to busie my selfe about, a more apposite Theame, so necessary, so commodious, and generally concerning all sorts of men, that should so equally participate of both, and require a whole Physitian. A Diuine in this compound mixt malady, can do little alone, a Physitian in some kindes of Melancholy much lesse, both make an absolute cure.

† *Alterius sic Altera poscit opem.*

and 'tis proper to them

both, and I hope not vnbecoming me, who am by my profession a Diuine, & by my inclination a Physitian. I had *Iupiter* in my sixt house, I say with † *Be-roaldus, non sum medicus, nec medicina prorsus expert.* In the Theorick of Physicke I haue taken some paines, not with an intent to practise, but to satisfie my selfe, which was a cause likewise of the first vndertaking of this Subiect.

If these reasons doe not satisfie thee good Reader, as *Alexander Munificus* that bountifull Prelate, sometimes Bishop of *Lincolne*, when he had built six Castles, *ad inuidiam operis eluendam*, saith *M^{re} Camden*, to take away the envy of his worke, (which very wordes *Nubrigenfis* hath of *Roger* the rich Bishop of *Salisbury*, that in King *Stephens* time, built *Shirburne* Castle, and that of *Denises*) to take away the scandall or imputation, which might be thence inferred, built so many Religious houses. If this my Discourse be ouer medicinall, or saue too much of humanity, I promise thee, that I will hereafter make thee amends in some Diuine Treatise. But this I hope shall suffice when you haue more fully considered of the matter of this my Subiect, *rem substratam*, Melancholy, madnesse, and of the reasons following, which were my chiefe Motiues: The generality of the Disease, the necessity of the cure, & the commodity or common good, that will arise to all men by the knowledge of it, as shall at large appeare in the ensuing Preface. And I doubt not but that in the end you will say with mee, that to anatomize this humour aright, through all the members of this our *Microcosmus*, is as great a taske, as to find out the *Quadrature* of a Circle, or all the Greekes and sounds of the North-East, or North-West passages, and all out as great a Discouerie, as that *Hungrie* ^u *Spaniards* of *Terra Australis incognita*, as much trouble as to perfect the Motion of *Mars* & *Mercury*, which so much crucifies our *Astro-nomers*, or to rectifie the *Gregorian* Kalender. I am so affected for my part, and hope as ² *Theophrastus* did by his Characters, that our posterity, O friend *Policles*, shall be the better for this which wee haue written, by correcting and rectifying that which is amisse in themselves by our examples, and applying our precepts and cautions to their owne vse. But I am ouer tedious, I proceed.

Of the necessity & generality of this which I haue said, if any man doubt, I shall desire him to make a brieue Suruay of the world, as † *Cyprian* aduiseeth *Donat*, supposing himselfe to be transported to the top of some high mountaine, and thence to behold the tumults and chances of this waucering world, and hee cannot chuse but either laugh at, or pitty it. *S^c Hierome* out of a strange imagination, being then in the wilderness, conceiued with himselfe, that hee then

† *D^r Clayton in Comitibus, A^o 1621.*

† *Hor.*
† *Lib. de pesti*
† *In Newark*
in *Nottingham*
shire. *Cum d^o*
edificasset ca-
stella, ad tollen-
dem fructuosis
inuidiam, &
expianam ma-
culam duo insti-
tuit canobias, &
collegis religio-
sis impleuit.
^u *Ferdinando*
de Quir. anno
1612. Amster-
damii in press.
² *Prefat. ad*
Characteres. Spe-
ro enim (S. Pa-
licles) libros
nostros meliores
inde futuros,
quod istiusmodi
memorie man-
data reliqueri-
mus, ex precep-
tis & exemplis
nostris ad vitam
accommodatis,
ut se inde corri-
gant.
¹ *Epist. 2. lib. 2.*
ad Donatum.
Paulisper te cre-
de subduci in
ardui montis
verticem celsis-
simam, speculare
inde rerum ia-
centium facies,
& oculis in di-
uersa porrectis,
fluctuantis
mundi turbines
intueri, iam si-
mul ac videbis
aut misereberis.
&c.

saw them dancing in *Rome*, and if thou shalt either conceiue, or clime to see, thou shalt soone perceiue all the World is mad, that is melancholy, dotes: that it is (which *Epichtonius Cosmopolites* expressed not many yeares since in a Map made like a Fooles head, with that Motto) *Caput Helleboro dignum*, a crased head, *cavea stultorum*, a fooles paradise, or as *Apollonius*, a common prison of gullies, cheaters, flatterers, &c. and needs to be reformed. *Strabo* in the 9th booke of his Geography, compares *Greece* to the picture of a man, which comparison of his, *Nic. Gerbelius* in his exposition of *Sophianus* map, approues; The brest lies open from those *Acroceraunian* hills in *Epyrus*, to the *Sunian* promontory in *Attica*, *Paga*, and *Magara* are the two shoulders, that *Isthmos* of *Corinth* the necke, and *Peloponnesus* the head. If this allusion hold, 'tis sure a mad head; *Morea* may be *Moria*; and to speake what I thinke, the inhabitants of moderne *Greece*, swarue as much from reason, and true Religion at this day, as that *Morea* doth from the picture of a man. Examine the rest in like sort, and you shall finde that Kingdomes and Princedoms are Melancholy, Cities and Families, all Creatures, Vegetall, Sensible and Rationall, and that all sorts, sects, ages, and conditions, are out of tune, as in *Cebes* tables, *omnes errorem bibunt*, before they come into the World, they are intoxicated by Errors cuppe, from the highest to the lowest, haue neede of Physick, and those particular Actions in ² *Seneca*, where father and son proue one another madde, shall bee generall; *Porcius Latro* shall plead against vs all. For indeed, who is not a foole, Melancholy, madde? Folly, Melancholy, Madnesse, are but one Disease, *Delirium* is a common name to al. *Alexander*, *Gordonius*, *Iason Pratenfis*, *Sauanarola*, *Gnaniarius*, *Montaltus*, confound the as differing *secundum magis & minus*; so doth *Dauid* *Psal.* 37. 50. I said vnto the fooles, deale not so madly, and 'twas an old Stoicall paradoxe, *omnes stultos insanire*,^b all fooles are mad, though some madder then others. And who is not a foole, who is free from melancholy? who is not touched more or lesse in habit or disposition? If in disposition, ill dispositions beget habites, if they perseuere, saith ^c *Plutarch*, habits either are, or turne to diseases. 'Tis the same which *Tully* maintaines in the second of his *Tusculanes*, *omnium insipientum animi in morbo sunt, & perturbatorum*, all fooles are sicke, and all that are troubled in minde, for what is sicknesse, but as ^d *Gregory Tholosanus* defines it, a dissolution or perturbation of the bodily league, which health combines: & who is not sicke, or ill disposed, in whom doth not passion, anger, envy, discontent, feare and sorrow raigne? who labours not of this disease? giue mee but a little leaue, and you shall see by what testimonies, confessions, arguments I will evince it, that most men are mad, that they had as much neede to goe a pilgrimage to the *Anticyra* (as in ^e *Strabo*'s time they did) as in our times they goe to *Compostella*, our Lady of *Sichem*, or *Lauretta*, to seeke for helpe; that it is like to be as prosperous a Voyage as that of *Guiana*, and that there is much more need of *Hellebor* then of *Tobacco*.

That men are so misaffected, Melancholy, mad, heare the testimony of *Solomon*, *Eccles.* 2. 12. And I turned to behold wisdom, madnesse, & folly, &c. And *vers.* 23, All his dayes are sorrow, and his trauell griefe, and his heart taketh no rest in the night. So that take Melancholy in what sence you will, properly or improperly, in disposition or habite, for pleasure or for paine, dotage, discontent, feare, sorrow, madnesse, for part or all, truely, or metaphorically, 'tis all one.

^a Controvers.
lib. 2. cont. 7. &
lib. 6. cont.

^b Idem Hor.
lib. 2. Sat. 3.

Damasippus Sto-
icus probat om-
nes stultos insa-
nare.

^c Tom. 2. sympos.
lib. 5. cap. 6. ani-
mi affectiones, si
diutius inhere-
ant, prauos ge-
nerant habitus.

^d Lib. 28. cap. 1.
Syntax. art. mi-
rab. morbum nihil
est aliud quam
dissolutio queda
ac perturbatio
foderis in corpo-
re existentis, sicut
& sanitas est
consentientis
bene corporis
consummatio
quedam.

^e Lib. 9. Geogr.
plures olim gen-
tes navigabant
illuc sanitatis
causa.

one. The hearts of the sonnes of men are euill, and madnesse is in their hearts while they liue, Eccles. 9. 3. wisemen themselves are no better, Eccles. 1. 18. in the multitude of wisdom is much griefe, and he that increaseth wisdom, increaseth sorrow, cap. 2. 17. he hated life it selfe, nothing pleased him, hee hated his labour, all, as he concludes, is sorrow, griefe, vanity, vexation of spirit. And though he were the wisest man in the world, *sanctuarium sapientie*, and had wisdom in abundance, he will not vindicate himselfe, or iustifie his own actions. Surely I am more foolish then any man, and haue not the vnderstanding of a man in me, Prov. 30. 2. Bee they Solomons words, or the words of Agur the son of Iakeb, they are Canonically. Dauid a man after Gods owne heart, confesseth as much of himselfe, Psal. 73. 21. & 22. so foolish was I and ignorant; I was euen as a beast before thee. and condemnes all for fooles, Psal. 93. & 32. 9. & 49. 20. he compares them to beasts, horses and mules, in which there is no vnderstanding. The Apostle Paul accuseth himselfe in like sort, 2 Cor. 11. and ver. 21. I would you would suffer a little my foolishnesse, I speake foolishly. The whole head is sicke, saith Esay, and the heart is heavy, cap. 1. 5. & makes lighter of them then of oxen and asses, the ox knowes his owner, &c. read Deut. 32. 6. Iere. 4. Amos 3. 1. Ephes. 5. 6. be not mad, be not deceiued, foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you? how often are they branded with this Epithete of madnesse and folly? No word so frequent amongst the Fathers of the Church and Diuines, you may see what an opinion they had of the world, and how they valued mens actions.

I knowe that we thinke farre otherwise, & hold them most part wise men that are in authority, Princes, Magistrates, & rich men, they are wise men borne, all Politicians and Statemen must needs be so, for who dare speake against them: and on the other, so corrupt is our iudgement, wee esteeme wise and honest men fooles. Which Democritus well signified in an Epistle of his to Hippocrates; ^h The Abderites account vertue madnesse, and so doe most men liuing. Shall I tell you the reason of it; [†] Fortune and Virtue, wisdom and Folly, vpon a time contended in the Olympicks; Every man thought that Fortune and Folly would haue the worst, and pittied their cases. But it fell out otherwise. Fortune was blinde and cared not where shee stroke, nor whom, without lawes, &c. Folly rash and inconsiderate, cared not what shee said or did. Vertue and wisdom gaue ^{*} place, were hissed out, and exploded by the common people, Folly and Fortune admired, and so are all their followers ever since, knaues and fooles commonly fare and deserue best in worldlings eyes and opinions. Many good men haue no better fate in their ages: Achish 1. Sam. 21. 14. held Dauid for a mad man. [†] Elisha and the rest were no otherwise esteemed. Dauid was derided of the common people. Psal. 9. 7. I am become a monster to many: & generally we are accounted fooles for Christ. 1. Cor. 14. we fooles thought his life madnesse, and his end without honour, wisdom. 5. 4. Christ and his Apostles were censured in like sort, Iohn. 10. Mark. 3. Acts 26. and so were all Christians in [†] Plinies time, fuerunt & alij similis dementia, &c. Tis an ordinary thing with vs, to account honest, deuout, religious, plaine dealing men, idiots, asses, that cannot lye & dissemble, shift, flatter, accommodare se ad eum locum ubi nati sunt, make good bargains, supplant, thriue, patronis in seruire: solennes ascendendi modos apprehendere, leges, mores, consuetudines recte obseruare, candidè laudare, fortiter defendere,

[†] Eccles. 1. 14.

^e Iure hereditario sapere in-bentur. Euphorio Satyr.

^h Apud quos virtus, infamia & furor esse dicuntur.

[†] Calpurnius Apol. omnes mirabantur, putantes illam in stultitiam. Sed preter expectationem res euenit. Audax stultitiam eam irruit &c. illa cedit inuisa, & plures hinc habet sectatores stultitia.

^{*} Non est respondendum stulto secundum stultitiam.

[†] Reg. 7. Lib. 10. p. 97

sententias amplecti, dubitare de nullis, credere omnia, accipere omnia, nihil reprehendere, ceteraq; quae promotionem ferunt & securitatem, quae sine ambage salicem reddunt hominem, & verè sapientem apud nos. That cannot temporise as other men doe, take bribes, &c. but feare God, and make a conscience of their doings. But the holy Ghost that knowes better how to iudge, hee calls them fooles, *The foole hath said in his heart, Psal. 53. 1. and their waies utter their folly, Psal. 49. 14.* For what can be more mad, then for a little worldly pleasure to procure vnto themselves eternall punishment? As Gregory and others inculcate vnto vs.

And all those great Philosophers, the world hath euer had in admiratiō, whose workes we doe so much esteeme, that gaue precepts of wisdom to others, inuenter of Arts and Sciences, *Socrates* the wisest man of his time by the Oracle of *Apollo*, whom his two schollers ^m *Plato* and ⁿ *Xenophon* so much extoll and magnifie, with those honorable titles, of best and wisest of all mortall men, the happiest and most iust; those seuen wise men of Greece, those *Brittaine Druides*; *Indian Brachmanni*, *Aethiopian Gymnosophists*, *Magi* of the *Persians*, *Apollonius*, of whom *Philostratus*, non doctus sed natus sapiens, wise from his cradle, *Epicurus*, so much admired by his scholler *Lucretius*;

*Qui genus humanum ingenio superauit, & omnes
Perstrinxit stellas exortus ut aetherius Sol,*

Whose wit excell'd the wits of men as farre,
As the Sunne rising doth obscure a starre:

Euen all those, of whom we read such ^o *Hyperbolicall elogiums*, as of *Aristotle* that he was wisdom it selfe in the abstract, ^p a miracle of nature, breathing Libraries, as *Eunapius* of *Longinus*, lights of nature, Gyants for wit, quintessence of wit, Divine spirits, Eagles in the cloudes, salne from heauen, Gods, Spirits, Lampes of the world, Dictators, Monarchs, Miracles, Superintendents of wit and learning, *Oceanus phanix*, *Atlas*, monstrum, portentum hominis, orbis vniuersi museum, vltimus humane naturae conatus, &c. as *Alian* said of *Protagoras* and *Gorgias*, we may say of them all, tantum à sapientibus abfuerunt, quantum à viris pueri; they were children in respect, infants, not Eagles but Kites, nouices, illiterate, *Eunuchi sapientiae*. And although they were the wisest, and most admired in their age, as he censured *Alexander*, I doe them, there were 10 thousand in his army as worthy Captaines (had they beene in place of command) as valiant as him selfe, there were Myriades of men wiser in those dayes, and yet all short of what they ought to be. ^q *Lactantius* in his booke of wisdom, proues them to be dizards, fooles, and asses, mad men, and so full of absurd and ridiculous tenents and positions, that to his thinking neuer any old woman or sicke person doted worse. ^r *Democritus* tooke all from *Lencippus*, and left, saith he, the inheritance of his folly to *Epicurus*, ^s insipienti dum sapientia, &c. The like he saith of *Plato*, *Aristippus*, and the rest, making no difference ^t betwixt them and beasts, sauing that they could speake. ^u *Theodor.* in his Tract *De cur. gr. affec.* manifestly euinceth as much of *Socrates*, whom though that Oracle of *Apollo* confirmed to be the wisest man then liuing, and saued him from the plague, whom 2000 yeares haue admired, of whom some will as soone speake euill as of *Christ*, yet reuera, hee was an illi-

^k Quis nisi
mentis inops,
&c.

^l Quid insanius
quam pro mo-
mentanea fel-
icitate eternis te
mancipare sup-
plicis?

^m In fine Phis-
donis. Hic finis
fuit amicus nostri
ⁿ o Eucrates no-
stro quidem in-
dicio omnium
quorū experti so-
mus optimi &
apprime sapien-
tissimi & iustis-
simi.

^o Xenophon. l. 4
de dictis Socra-
tis ad finem.

Talis fuit Socra-
tes quae omniū
optimū & fe-
licissimū fla-
tuam.

^p Anaxagoras
olim mens dictus
ab antiquis.

^q Regula natu-
re, naturae mi-
raculum, ipsa
eruditio, demo-
nium hominis,
scientiarum,
sane, Sophia,
antistes literarū
& sapientiae, ut
Scioppius olim
de Scalig. &
Hensius, Aquila
in nubibus,
Imperator lite-
ratorum, colu-
men literarum,
abyssus eruditio-
nis.

^r Lib. 3. de sap.
cap. 17. & 20.
omnes Philosophi
aut stulti aut in-
sani, nulla enim
nullus eger in-
epicus delirauit.

^s Democritus à
Lencippo doctus
hereditatem
stultitiae reliquit Epicuro.

^t Hor. car. lib. 1. od. 34. 1. epicur.
^u Cap. 3. ^v Cap. de virt.

^f Nihil interest inter hos & bestias nisi quod loquantur. de sap. lib. 28.

terate Idiot, as * *Aristophanes* calls him, *irrisor* & *ambitiosus*, as his master *Aristotle* tearmes him, *scurra Atticus*, as *Zeno*, an enemy to all arts and sciences as *Athenaus*, to Philosophers and Trauellers, an opinatiue asse, a caviller, a kinde of pedant; for his manners, as *Theod. Cyrensis* describes him, a † *Sodomite*, an *Atheist*, to conuict by *Anytus*, *iracundus* & *ebrius*, *dicax*, &c. a pot companion, and that of all others he was most sottish, a very mad man in his actions and opinions. If you desire to heare more of *Apollonius* that great wise man, sometime paralleled by *Iulian* the Apostate to Christ, I refer you to that learned Tract of *Eusebius* against *Hierocles*, and for them all to *Lucians Piscator*, *Iracomenippus*, *Necyomantia*, their actions, opinions in generall were so prodigious, absurd, ridiculous, which they broached & maintained, their bookes and elaborat treatises were full of dotage, which *Tully* ad *Atticum* long since obserued, *delirant plerumq. scriptores in libris suis*, and their liues opposite to their words, they commended pouerty to others, and were most couetous themselves, extolled loue and peace, and yet persecuted one another with virulēt hate & malice. They could giue precepts for verse and prose, but not a man of them (as *Seneca* tells them home) could moderate his affections. Their musicke could shew vs *flebiles modos*, &c. how to rise and fall, but they could not so containe themselves as in aduersity nor to make a lamentable tone. They can measure ground by Geometry, set down limits, diuide and subdiuide, but cannot yet prescribe *quantum homini satis*, or keepe within compasse of reason and discretion. They can square circles, but know not the state of their own soules; describe right lines, crooked, &c. but knowe not what is right in this life, *quid in vita rectum sit ignorant*, so that as he said, *Nescio an Anticyra ratio illis destinet omnem*.

I thinke all the *Anticyra* will not restore them to their wits, if these men now, that had * *Zenodotus* heart, *Crates* liuer, *Epicetus* lanthorne, were so sottish, and had no more braines then so many Beetles, what shall we thinke of the commonalty? what of the rest?

Yea, but will you inferre, that is true of Heathens, if they be conferred with Christians, 1. Cor. 1. 19. the wisdom of this world is foolishnesse with God, earthly & diuelish, as *James* calls it, 3. 15. they were vain in their imaginations, & their foolish heart was full of darknesse. Rom. 1. 21. & 22. vers. when they professed themselves wise, became fooles. Their witty workes are admired here on earth, whilst their soules are tormented in hell fire. In some sense, *Christiani Crassiani*, Christians are *Crassians*, and if compared to that wisdom no better the fooles. *Quis est sapiens? Solus deus*, *Pythagoras* replies, *God is only wise*, Rom. 16. *Paul* determines, only good, as *Austin* well contends, and no man liuing can be iustified in his sight. *God looked down from heauen vpon the children of men, to see if any did vnderstand*, Psal. 53. 2. 3. but all are corrupt, erre, none doth good, no not one, *Iob* aggregates this 4. 18. behold he found no stedfastnesse in his seruants, and laid folly vpon his Angels, 19. how much more on them that dwell in houses of clay? In this sense we are all as fooles, and the Scripture alone is *Arx Minerva*, we and our writings are shallow and vnperfect. But I doe not so meane, but euen in our ordinary dealings, we are no better then fooles. All our actions as *Plinie* told *Traian*, vpbraid vs of folly, our whole course of life is but matter of laughter: we are not soberly wise, & the world it selfe, which ought at least to be wise by reason of his antiquity, as *Hugo*

* *Neb. & Ramis.*
† *Omnium disciplinarum ignarus.*
† *Pulchrorum adolescentum causa frequenter gymnasium obibat, &c.*

† *Seneca. Scilicet rotunda metus sed non tuum apiculus.*

* *Ab uberibus sapientie lactati cecutiue non possunt.*

* *Cor. Zeno. Quia & iecur Crassiani.*

1 *Lib. de natura boni.*

2 *Rom. 3. 10.*

3 *Hic profana dissimulatio Sophiae fudine.*

4 *Panegy.*

Traiano omnes actiones exprobrare stultitiam videntur.

5 *Ser. 4. in domo.*

Pal. mundus qui ob antiquitatem deberet esse sapiens, semper stultizat, & multis flagellis alternatur, sed ut puer vult rosas & floribus coronari.

de Prato Florido will haue it, *semper stultizat*, is every day more foolish then other, the more it is whipped the worse it is, and as a child will still bee crowned with roses and flowres. We are apish in it, *asini bipides*, and euery place is full *inuerforum Apuleiorum*, of metamorphised and two legged asses, childish, *pueri instar bimuli*, tremulâ patris dormientis in vlnâ. Iouianus Pontanus, Antonio Dial, brings in some laughing at an old man, that by reason of his age was a little fond, but as he admonisheth there, *Ne mireris mi hospes de hoc senex*, maruell not at him only, for *totâ hæc ciuitas delirium*, all our towne dotes in like sort, ^d we are a company of fooles. Aske not with him in the Poet, ^e *Larua hæc intemperie insanieq; agitant senem?* what madnesse ghosts this old man, but what madnesse ghosts vs all? for we are all as bad as hee, and not *senex bis puer delirans*; but say it of vs all, *semper pueri*, young & old, all dote as Lactantius proues out of Seneca, and no difference betwixt vs & children, sauing that *maiora ludimus*, and *grandioribus pupis*, they play with babies of clouts, and such toyes, and we play with greater bables. We cannot accuse or condemne one another being faulty our selues, ^f *deliramenta loqueris*, you talke idly, or as ^g *Mitio* vpbraided Democra, *insanis aufer te*, for wee are as mad our owne selues, and 'tis hard to say which is the worst. And 'tis vniuersally so, when ^h *Supputius* in Pontanus had trauelled all over Europe, to confer with a wise man, hee returned at last without his errand, and could finde none. ⁱ *Cardan* concurreth with him, few there are (for ought I can perceauce) well in their wits. So doth Tully, ^j *I see every thing to be done foolishly and vnadvisedly.* *Ille sinister sum, hic dexter sum, vnus utriq;*

Error, sed varijs illudis partibus omnes.

One reeles to this, another to that wall,

'Tis the same error that deludes them all.

^k They dote all, but not alike, *María γὰρ ἡ πᾶσι δόξα*, not in the same kinde, one is couetous, a second lasciuious, a third ambitious, a fourth enuious, &c. as Damisippus the Stoicke hath well illustrated in the Poet, ^l *desipiunt omnes æquè ac tu.* 'Tis an inbred malady in euery one of vs, there is *seminarium stultitiæ*, a seminary of folly, which if it be stirred vp or get an head, will runne in infinitum, and infinitely varies, as wee our selues are severally addicted, saith ^m *Balthazar Castilio*: and cannot so easily be rooted out, it takes such fast hold, as Tully holds, *altæ radices stultitiæ*, ⁿ so we are bred, and so we continue. Some say there be two maine defects of wit, Error and Ignorance, to which all others are reduced, by ignorance we knowe not things necessary, by Error we knowe them falsely. Ignorance is a priuation, Error a positue Act, from Ignorance comes vice, from Error heresie, &c. But make how many kindes you will, diuide and subdiuide, few men are free, or that doe not impinge on some one kinde or other. ^p *Sic plerumq; agitat stultos inscitia*, as hee that examines his owne and other mens actions, shall finde.

^q *Charon* in *Lucian*, as he wittily faignes, was conducted by *Mercury* to such a place, where he might see all the world at once, and after hee had sufficiently viewed and looked about, *Mercury* would needs knowe of him, what hee had obserued, he told him that he saw a vast multitude and a promiscuous, their habitations like Molehills, the men like Emmets, he could discerne citties like so many hives of Bees, wherein euery Bee had a sting, and they did nought else but sting one another, some domineering like Hornets bigger then the rest, some

^a *Insaniam te omnes pueri clamant*, puelle.

^b *Hor.*

^c *Plautus Aulular.*

^d *Adelph. Act. 5. scen. 8.*

^e *Ant. dial.*

^f *Lib. 3. de sap. pauci ut video sane mentis sunt.*

^g *Stultus & incautus omnia agi video.*

^h *Insania non omnibus eadem.*

ⁱ *Erasmus chil. 3. cent. 10. nemo mortalium qui non aliqua in re desipit, licet aliis alio morbo laboret, hic libidinis, ille auaritie, ambitionis, inuidie,*

^j *Hor l. 2. sat. 3.*

^k *Primig. lux vite prima futuris erat.*

^l *L. 1. de aulico*

^m *Est in unoquoque nostrum seminarium aliquod stultitiæ, quod si quando exciteur in infinitum facile exorescit.*

ⁿ *Tibullus stultis præterunt aliter, their wits are a woolgathering.*

^p *So. fooles commonly dote.*

^q *Dial. contemptantes, Tom. 2.*

some like filching wasps, others as Drones. Over their head were hovering a confused company of perturbations, hope, feare, anger, avarice, ignorance, &c. and a multitude of diseases hanging over, which they still pulled on their heads. Some were brawling, some fighting, riding, running, *solliciti ambientes, callide litigantes*, for toys and trifles, and such momentary things. Their Townes and Provinces meere factions, rich against poore, poore against rich, nobles against artificers, they against nobles, and so the rest. In conclusion he condemned them all, for mad men, fooles, idiots, asses. *O sulti, quoniam haec est amentia?* O fooles, o mad men he exclaimes, *insana studia, insani labores, &c.* mad indeavours, mad actions, mad, mad, mad. *Heraclitus* the Philosopher, out of a serious meditation of mens actions, fell a weeping, and with continuall teares bewailed their miseries, madnesse, and folly. *Democritus* on the other side fell a laughing, their whole life to him seemed so ridiculous, and he was so farre carried with this Ironicall passion, that the citizens of *Abdera* tooke him to be mad, and sent therefore Embassadours to *Hippocrates* the Physitian, that he would exercise his skill vpon him. But the story is set down at large by *Hippocrates*, in his Epistle to *Damogetus*, which because it is not impertinent to this discourse, I will insert *verbatim* almost, as it is deliuered by *Hippocrates* himselfe, with all the circumstances belonging vnto it.

When *Hippocrates* was now come to *Abdera*, the people of the Citty came all flocking about him, some weeping, some intreating of him, that he would doe his best. After some little repast, hee went to see *Democritus*, all the people following him, whom he found (as before) in his garden in the suburbs all alone, *sitting vpon a stone vnder a plane tree, without hose or shoes with a booke on his knees, cutting vp severall beasts, and busie at his study.* The people stood gazing round about to see the congresse, *Hippocrates* after a little pause, saluted him by his name, whom hee resaluted, ashamed almost that he could not call him likewise by his name, or that he had forgot it. *Hippocrates* demanded of him what he was doing? He told him that he was *busie in cutting vp severall beasts, to finde out the causes of madnesse, & melancholy.* *Hippocrates* commended his worke, admiring his happinesse and leasure. And why, quoth *Democritus*, haue not you that leasure? Because, replied *Hippocrates*, domesticall affaires hinder, necessary to be done, for our children, expences, diseases, frailties, and mortalities which happen, wife, children, servants, and such businesse which deprive vs of our time. At this speech *Democritus* profusedly laughed (his friends and the people standing by, weeping in the meane time and lamenting his madnesse) *Hippocrates* asked the reason why he laughed: he told him at the vanities and sopperies of the time. To see men so empty of all vertuous actions, to hunt so farre after gold, hauing no end of ambition, to take such infinite paines for a little glory, and to bee favored of men, to make such deepe mines into the earth for gold, and many times to finde nothing, with losse of their liues and fortunes. Some to loue dogges, others horses, some to desire to be obeyed in many Provinces, and yet themselves will knowe no obedience. Some to loue their wiues dearly at first, and after a while to forsake and hate them, begetting children, with much care and cost for their education, yet when they growe to mans estate to despise them, neglect and leaue them naked to the worlds mercy. Doe

*Sub ramosa
platano seden-
tem, solus, dis-
calceatum, super
lapidem, valde
pallidum et ma-
lentum, pro-
missa barba, ti-
brum super ge-
nibus habentem*
*De amore, ma-
nia, melancholia*
scribo, ut sciam
*quosdam in be-
minibus gigna-
tur, fiat, crecat,
cumuletur, mi-
nuatur, haec in-
quit animatia
que vides, prop-
terea seco, non
dei opera pero-
sus, sed fellis bi-
lisy naturam
disquirens.*
Austin. lib. 1.
*in Genes. Ju-
menti & serui
tui obsequium
rigide postulas,
& tu nullum
prestat alius, nec
ipso deo.*
*Uxores du-
cunt mox foras
eiciunt.*
*Pueros amant
mox fastidiunt.*
*Quid hoc ab
inania deest?*

^a Reges eligunt
deponunt.

^a Contra paren-
tes, fratres, ciues
perpetuo rixan-
tur, & inimici-
tias agunt.

^b Idola in anima
amant, animata
odio habent sic
pontificii.

^c Credo equide
vivos ducent e
marmore vultus

^d Suam stultiti-
am perspicit ne-
mo sed alter al-
tarum deridet.

not these behaviours expresse their intolerable folly? When men liue in peace they couet warre, detesting quietnesse, & deposing kings and aduancing others in their steed, murdering some men to beget children of their wiues. How many strange humours are in men? When they are poore and needy they seeke riches, and when they haue them they doe not enioy them, but hide them vnder ground, or else wastfully spend them. O wise *Hippocrates*, I laugh at such things being done, but much more when no good comes of them, and when they are done to so ill purpose. There is no truth or iustice found amongst them, for they daily plead one against another, ^a the sonne against the father and the mother, brother against brother, kindred & friends of the same quality, and all this for riches, whereof after death they cannot be possessors. And yet notwithstanding they will defame & kill one another, commit all vnlawfull actions, contemning God, & men, friends and countrey. They make great account of many senselesse things, esteeming them as a great part of their treasure, statues, pictures, and such like moueables, deare bought, and so cunningly wrought, as nothing but speech wanteth in them, ^b and yet they hate living persons speaking to them. Others affect difficult things, if they dwell on firme land, they will remoue to an Iland and thence to land againe, being no way constant in their desires. They commend courage and strength in warres, and let themselves bee conquered by lust and avarice; they are, in brieft, as disordered in their minds, as *Thersites* was in his body. And now mee thinkes, O most worthy *Hippocrates*, you should not reprehend my laughing, perceauing so many fooleries in men; ^d for no man will mocke his owne folly, but that which he seeth in another, and so they iustly mocke one another. The drunkard calls him a glutton, whom hee knowes to be sober, many men loue the sea, others husbandry, briefly they cannot agree in their owne trades and professions, much lesse in their liues and actions.

When *Hippocrates* heard these words, so readily vttered without premeditation to declare the Worlds vanity, full of ridiculous contrariety, hee made answer, that necessity compelled men to many such actions, & diuerse wills ensuing from diuine permission, that wee might not be idle, being nothing is so odious to them as sloth and negligence. Besides, men cannot foresee future euent, in this vncertainty of humane affaires, they would not so marry, if they could fore-see the causes of their dislike and separation, or parents if they knew the houre of their chilles death, so tenderly prouide for them; or an husbandman sowe, if he thought there would be no increase; or a merchant adventure to sea, if he fore-saw shipwracke; or be a magistrate, if presently to bee deposed. Alas, worthy *Democritus*, euery man hopes the best, and to that end he doth it, and therefore no such cause of laughter.

Democritus hearing this excuse, laughed againe aloud, perceiuing he did not well vnderstand what hee had said concerning perturbations and tranquillity of the mind. Insomuch, that if men would gouerne their actions by discretion and prouidence, they would not declare themselves fooles, as now they doe, and he should haue no such cause of laughter, but (quoth he) they swell in this life, as if they were immortall, for want of vnderstanding. It were enough to make them wise, if they would but consider the mutability of this world, and how it wheeles about, nothing firme and sure, hee that is

now

now above, to morrow is beneath; hee that sate on this side to day, to morrow is hurled on the other: and not considering these things, they fall into many inconveniences and troubles, coueting things of no profit, & thirsting after them, rumbling headlong into many calamities. So that if men would attempt no more then what they can beare, they should leade contented liues, and learning to know themselves would limit their ambition, & they would know then that Nature hath enough without seeking such superfluities, and vnprofitable things, which bring nothing with them but grieve and molestation. As a fat body is more subiect to diseases; so are rich men: there are many that take no heed what happeneth to others by bad conversation, and therefore ouerthrow themselves in the same manner through their own fault, not fore-seeing dangers manifest. These are things (ô more then mad quoth hee) that giue me matter of laughter, by suffering the paines of your impieties, as your auarice, envy, mutinies, vn-satiable desires, conspiracies, & other incurable vices; besides your & dissimulation and hypocrisie, bearing deadly hatred one to the other, and yet shadowing it with a good face, flying out into all filthy lusts, and transgressions of all lawes, both of nature and ciuility. Many things which they haue left off, after a while they fall to againe, husbandry, navigation, and leaue off againe, fickle and vnconstant as they are, when they are yong, they would be old, and old young. ^h Princes commend a priuate life, priuate men itch after honour; a magistrate commends a quiet life, a quiet man would be in his office, and obeyed as he is, & what is the cause of all this, but that they know not themselves. Some delight to destroy, one to build, another to spoile one countrey to enrich another and himselfe. ^k In all these things they are like children, in whom is no iudgment or counsell, and resemble beasts, sauing that beasts are better then they, as being contented with Nature. ^l When shall you see a Lion hide gold in the ground, or a Bull contend for a better pasture; when a Bore is thirsty, he drinkes what will serue him, and no more, & when his belly is full, he ceaseth to eat: but men are immoderate in both; as in lust, they couet carnal copulation at set times, men alwayes, ruinating thereby the health of their bodies. And doth it not deserue laughter, to see an amorous foole torment himselfe for a wench; weepe, howle for a mis-shapen slut, a dowdy, sometimes that might haue his choice of the finest beauties? Is there any remedy for this in Physick? I doe anatomize and cut vp these poore beasts, ^m to see these distempers, vanities and follies, yet such prooffe were better made on mans body, if my kind nature would endure it: ⁿ Who from the houre of his birth is most miserable, weak, & sickly; when he sucks, he is guided by others, when he is growne great, practiseth unhappinesse, ^o & is sturdy, and when olde, a child againe, and repenteth him of his life past. And heere being interrupted by one that brought bookes, hee fell to it againe, that all were mad, carelesse, stupid. To proue my former speeches, looke into Courts or priuate houses. ^p Iudges giue iudgment according to their owne advantage, doing manifest wrong to poore innocents, to please others. Notaries alter sentences, & for mony loose their deedes, some make false monies, others counterfeite false weights, some abuse their parents, yea corrupt their own sisters, others make long libels & pasquils, defaming men of good life, & extoll such as are lewde & vicious, some robbe one, some another. ^q Magistrates make lawes against the cues,

^f Deniq, sit finis
que erant, cumq;
haberi plus pau-
perum metuas
minas, & finire
laborem incipi-
as, parvis quid
auereas, & lere.
Hor.

^g Astantam va-
pido seruat sub
pectore vulpem.
Et cum vulpe
positus pariter
vulpinaret.
Creteizandum
cum Ciele.

^h Qui sit Ma-
canas ut nemo
quam sibi forti,
Sed ratio dede-
rit, seu fors ad-
iecerit, illa Con-
tentus vivat,
&c. Hor.

ⁱ Diruit, adiffi-
cat, mutat qua-
drata rotundis.
^k Quia qui in re
ab infantibus
differunt, quibus
mens & sensus
sine ratione ineft
quicquid sese bis
offert, volupe est.
^l Idem Plutarc.

^m In infamie
causam disqui-
ram bruta ma-
lo & seco, cum
hoc potius in ha-
minibus inuesti-
gandum esset.
ⁿ Totus a nati-
uitate morbus
est.

^o In vigore su-
ribundus, quum
decreuit infan-
bilis.

^p Cyprian ad
Donatum. qui
sedet crimina
iudicatus, &c.
^q Tu pessimus
omnium latro es,
as a theef told
Alexander in
Curtius, damnas
foras iudex
quod iustus opa-
ratur, Cyprian.

theeves, & are the veriest theeves themselves. Some kill themselves, others despaire, not obtaining their desires; some dance, sing, laugh, feast, and back-bite, whilst others sigh, languish, mourne and lament, having neither meate, drinke, nor cloathes. Some pranke vp their bodies, and have their minds full of execrable vices: some trot about to beare false witnesse, & say any thing for mony, and though Judges know of it, yet for a bribe they winke at it, and suffer false contracts to prevaile against equity. Women are all day a dressing, to please other men abroad, & go like sluts at home, not caring to please their own husbands whom they should. Seeing men are so fickle, so fottish, so intemperate, why should not I laugh at those to whom folly seemes wisdom, & will not be cured, and perceiue it not? It grew late, & Hippocrates left him, & no sooner was he come away, but all the citizens came about flocking, to know how he liked him: hee told them in brieft, that notwithstanding those small neglects of his attire, body, diet, the world had not a wiser, a more learned, a more honest man, & they were much deceiued to say that he was mad.

Thus Democritus esteemed of the world in his time, & this was the cause of his laughter: and good cause he had.

** Olim iure quidem nunc plus Democrite ride,*

Quin rides? vita hec nunc mage ridicula est.

Democritus did well to laugh of old,

Good cause he had, but now much more,

This life of ours is more ridiculous

Then that of his, or long before.

Neuer so much cause of laughter as now, neuer so many fooles & mad men.

'Tis not one Democritus will serue turne to laugh in these dayes, wee haue now need of a Democritus to laugh at Democritus, one Jester to flout at another, one foole to feare at another, A great Stentorean Democritus, as big as that Rhodian Colossus. For now, as ** Salisburienſis* said in his time, *totus mundus histrionem agit*, the whole world playes the foole, we haue a new Theater, a new Sceane, a new Comedy of errors, a new company of personate Actors, *voluptas sacra* (as *Calcagninus* wittily faignes in his Apology) are celebrated all the World ouer, † where all the Actors were madmen & fooles, and euery houre changed habits, or tooke that which came next. Hee that was a marriner to day, was an Apothecary to morrow; a Smith one while, a Philosopher another, *in his voluptas ludis*. A King now with his crown, robes, scepter, attendants, by & by droue a loaded Asse before him like a carter, &c. If Democritus were aliue now, he should see strange alterations, a new company of counterfeit visards, whiffers, *Cumane* asses, Maskers, Mummers, painted puppets, outsidies, phantasticke shadowes, Gulls, Monsters, giddy-heads, Butterflies. And so many of them are indeed, (*If all be true that I haue read) For when *Iupiter* & *Iuno's* wedding was solemnized of old, the gods were all invited to the Feast, & many Noblemen besides. Amongst the rest came *Crysalus* a Persian Prince, brauely attended, rich in golden attires, in gay robes, with a maiestickall presence, but otherwise an Asse. The gods seeing him come in such pompe & state, rose vp to giue him place, *ex habitu hominem*

** Vultus magna eura, magna animi incuria. Am. Marcellin. Horrenda res est, vix duo verba sine mendacio proferuntur: quoniam solentem homines ad veritatem dicendam inuenerunt, sperare tamen non dubitant, ut ex decem testibus vix unus verum dicat. Caluin. in 8 Ioh. serm. 1. Sapientiam insaniam esse dicunt.*

** Siquidem sapientie sue admiratione me cemplevit. Democritum offendit sapientissimum virum, qui solus potest omnes homines prudentiores redere.*

** Egrec. Epig. Plures Democriti nunc non sufficiunt, opus Democrito qui Democritum videat. Eras. mor. Polycrat. lib. 3 cap. 3. e Petron.*

† Si omnes delirabant, omnes insani, &c. hodie nauta, eras Philosophus; hodie faber, eras pharmacopola; hodie modum regem agebat multo satellitio, tiara & sceptro ornatus, eras vili amicus centiculo, asinum cliella vinctus impellit.

** Calcagninus Apol. Crysalus e ceteris auro diuer, manicato peplo & tiara conspicuus, leuialioquin, & nullius consilii, & c. magno fastu ingrediendi, assurgunt dii, &c.*

metientes,

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metientes; † but *Iupiter* perceiuing what he was, a light, phantasticke, idle fellow, turned him & his proud followers into Butterflies: And so they continue still (for ought I know to the contrary) rouing about in pied coates, & are called *Chrysalides* by the wiser sort of men; that is, goldē out sides, drones, flies, & things of no worth. Multitudes of such, &c. Many additions, much increase of madnesse, folly, vanity, should *Democritus* obserue, were he now to trauell, or could get leaue of *Pluto* to come see fashions, as *Charon* did in *Lucian*, to visit our cities of *Moronia Pia*, and *Moronia felix*, sure I thinke he would breake the rime of his belly with laughing,

^a *Si foret in terris rideret Democritus, seu &c.*

A Satyricall *Roman* in his time, thought all vice, folly, and madnesse were all at a full sea, ^b *Omne in præcipiti vitium stetit* — but wee flow higher in madnesse, farre beyond them, ^c *Mox daturi progeniem vitiosorem*, and the latter end (you know whose Oracle it is) is like to be worst. 'Tis not to be denied, the world alters enery day, *ruunt urbes, regna transferuntur, &c. variantur habitus, leges innovantur*, as † *Petarch* obserues, wee change language, habits, lawes, customes, manners, but not vices, not diseases, not the symptomes of folly & madnesse, they are still the same. And as a riuer we see, keepes the like name & place, but not water, & yet euer runnes,

^{*} *Labitur, & labetur in omne volubilis ævum;*

our times and persons alter, vices are the same, & euer will be; looke how nightingales sang of old, cockes crowed, kine lowed, sheepe bleated, sparrowes chirped, dogges barked, so they doe still, we keepe our madnesse still, play the fooles still, *nec dum finitus Orestes*, wee are of the same humors and inclinations as our Predecessors were, you shall finde vs all alike, much at one, wee and our sonnes,

Et nati natorum, & qui nascuntur ab illis.

and so shall we continue to the last. But to speake of times present.

If *Democritus* were aliue now, and should but see the superstition of our age, our ^d Religious madnesse, as ^e *Meteran* calls it, *Religiosam insaniam*, so many professed Christians, yet so few imitators of *Christ*, so much talke of Religion, so much knowledge, so little practise; such variety of Sects, such heaue & hold of all sides,

— † *obvia signa, signa &c.*

such absurd & ridiculous traditions and ceremonies. If hee should meere a *Capuchine*, a *Franciscan*, a *Iesuite*, a shav'd-crowned Monke in his robes, a begging Frier, or see their three-crowned soueraigne Lord the Pope, poore *Peters* Successor, *seruus servorum dei*, to depose kings with his foot, to tread on Emperours necks, make them stand bare-foot & bare legged at his gates, hold his bridle and stirrup, &c. (O that *Peter* & *Paul* were aliue to see this) If he should obserue a ^g Prince creep so devoutly to kisse his toe, what would he say, *cælum ipsum petitur stultitiâ*. Had hee met some of our deuout Pilgrims going barefoot to *Ierusalem*, *Rome*, *Saint Iago*, *Saint Thomas Shrine*, to creep to those counterfeit & maggot-eaten Reliques; had he bin present at a Masse, & seene those kissing of paxes, crucifixes, cringes, duckings, their severall attires & ceremonies, pictures of Saints, ^h Indulgences, Pardons, Vigils, fasting, feasts, crossing, knocking, kneeling at *Avemary* bells, with many such,

— *iucunda rudi spectacula plebi,*

libus aquis, vasibus, unctiōibus, candelis, calicibus, crucibus, mappis, cereis, thuribulis, incantationibus, exorcismis, sputis, legendis, &c.
Balcas do a fide Rom. Pont.

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† Sed hominis levitatem Iupiter perspicit, at tu (inquit) estobom bilio, &c. protinus q. vestia illa mania in alas versa est, & mortales inde Chrysalides vocant huiusmodi homines.

^a Iuven.

^b Iuven.

^c Hor.

† Lib. 1. epist. 8.

^a Hor.

^d Superstitio est insanus error.

^e Lib. 3. hist. Belg.

† Lucan.

† Father Angelo, the Duke of Ioyoux, going barefoot ouer the Alps to Rome, &c.

^f Si cui intueri vacet, que patiuntur superstitionis, inuenies tam indecora honestis, tam indigna liberis, tam dissimilia sanis, ut nemo fuerit dubitaturus furere, eos si cum paucioribus fuerent. Seneca.

^h Quid dicam de eorum indulgentiis, oblationibus, votis, solutionibus, ieiuniis, cenobitis, somniis, horis, organis, cantilenis, campanis, simulachris, missis, purgatoriis, miris, breuariis, bullis, iustis,

praying in gibberish, & mumbling of beads, had he heard an old woman say her prayers in Latine, their sprinkling of holy-water, & going a procession,

† Th. Neageor-
gus.

—† *incedunt monachorum agmina mille,
Quid memorem vexilla, cruces, idolaq; culta, &c.*

Their breviaries, bulls, hallowed beanes, exorcismes, pictures, curious crosses, fables & bables. Had he read the *Golden Legend*, the *Turkes Alcoran*, or *Iewes Talmud*, the *Rabbines Comments*, what would hee haue thought? How dost thou thinke would he haue beene affected? Had hee more particularly examined a *Iesuites* life amongst the rest, he should haue seen an hypocrite professe pouerty, ⁱ & yet possesse more goods & lands then many Princes, to haue infinite treasures & reuenues, teach others to fast, & play the gluttons themselves: ^k Vow virginity, talke of holinesse, & yet indeede a notorious bawd, & famous fornicator, *lasciuum pecus*, a very goat: Monkes by profession, such as giue ouer the world, & the vanities of it, & yet a *Machiavian* rout, ^m interested in all manner of state: holy men, peacemakers, & yet composed of envy, lust, ambition, hatred, & malice, firebrands, *adulta patrie pestis*, traitors, assassins, *hac itur ad astra* and this is to supererogate, & merit Heaven for themselves & others. Had he seen on the other side, some of our nice & curious Schismatikes in another extreame, abhorre all ceremonies, and rather lose their liues & linings, then doe or admit any thing: they haue formerly done, though things indifferent; they alone are the true Church, *sal terra, cum sint omnium insulsißimi*. Formalists, ready to embrace & maintain all that is, or shall be proposed, in hope of preferment: Another Epicurean company, lying at lurch as so many vultures, watching for a prey of Church goods, & ready to rise by the downfall of any: as ⁿ *Lucian* said in like case, what dost thou thinke *Democritus* would haue done, had he bin spectator of these things?

ⁱ *Dura simulant
spemere acqui-
suerunt sibi tri-
ginta annorum
spatio bis cente-
na millia libra-
rum annua. Ar-
noldus.*

^k *Et quam in-
terdum de virtu-
te loquuti sunt,
sed in latibula
clumes agitant
labore nocturno.
Agrippa.*

^l *1. Tim. 3. 13.
but they shall
preuaile no
longer, their
madnesse shal
be knowne to
all men.*

^m *Benignitatis
sua scilicet esse
amicum litium offi-
cina curia Ro-
mana. Eudemus.
n Quid tibi vi-
detur facturus
Democritus, si
horum spectator
contigisset?*

^p *Bellum rem
plane belluam
vocat Morus,
Plat. lib. 2.*

^q *Ob inanes di-
tationum titulos,
ob preceptum
locum, ob inter-
ceptam muier-
culam, vel quod
est stultitia nati,
vel est malitia,
quod cupido do-
minandi, libido
nocendi, &c.*

^a *Munster Cas-
trog. lib. 5. cap. 3*

Or had he but obserued the common people follow like so many sheepe, one of their fellowes drawne by the hornes ouer a gap, some for zeale, some for feare, *quod se cuncti rapit tempestas*, ready to dye before they will abiure any of those ceremonies, to which they haue bin accustomed; others out of hypocrisie frequent Sermons, knock their breasts, turne vp their eyes, pretend zeale, desire reformation, & yet professed vsurers, grippers, monsters of men, harpyes, diuels, in their liues to expresse nothing lesse.

What would he haue said to see, heare, and read so many bloody battles, so many thousands slaine at once, *Vnius ob noxam furiasq;*, without any iust cause, [†] for vaine titles (saith *Austin*) precedency, some wench, or such like toy, or out of desire of domineering, malice, reuenge, folly, madnes, wars begun by the persuation of a few, debeshed hairebraine, poore, dissolute, hungry captaines, parasiticall farmers, vnquiet hot spurres, restlesse innovators, green heads, so satisfie one mans priuat spleene, lust, ambition, auarice, &c. proper men, carefully brought vp, able both in body & mind, sound, led like so many beasts to the slaughter in the flowre of their yeares, pride and full strength, without all remorse & pity, as it were, sacrificed to *Pluto*, as so many sheep, 40000 at once. At once, said J, that were tollerable, but these warres last alwayes, & for many ages, nothing so familiar as this hacking & hewing, massacres, murders, desolations. The ^a siege of *Troy* lasted ten yeares 8 moneths, there died 870000 *Grecians*, 670000 *Troians*, at the taking of the City, and after were

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were slain 276000 men, women, & children of all sorts. *Caesar* killed a million, ^b *Mahomet* the 2 *Turke* 300000 persons. Our ^c *Edward* the 4th was in 26 battels a-foot: & as they doe all, he glories in it, 'tis related to his honour. At the siege of *Ostend* (the diuels Academy) a poore towne in respect, a small Fort 120000 thousand men lost their liues, besides whole Townes, Dorpes, & hospitals, full of maimed men; there were engines, fireworkes, & whatsoever the diuell could invent to doe mischief with, 2500000 iron bullets shot of 40^l waight, three or foure millions of gold consumed. ^d *Who* (saith mine Author) can be sufficiently amazed at their flinty hearts, obstinacy, fury, blindness, who without any likelihood of good successe, hazard poore souldiers, and lead them without pittie to the slaughter, which may iustly bee called the rage of furious beasts, that run without reason vpon their owne deathes. When *Rhodes* was besieged, ^e *fossæ urbis cadaveribus repleta sunt*, the ditches were full of dead carcasses; and as when the said *Solyman* great *Turke* besieged *Vienna*, they lay leuell with the top of the walls. This they make a sport of, & will doe it to their friends & confederats, against othes, vowes, promises, by treachery or otherwise, ————— *dolus an virtus? quis in hoste requirat?* leagues & lawes of armes (^f *silent leges inter arma*) for their advantage, to satisfie their lust & spleene, they care not what they attempt, say, or doe,

& *Rara fides, probitasq; virtus qui castra sequuntur.*

Nothing so common as to haue ^g *Father* fight against the sonne, brother against brother, kinsman against kinsman, kingdome against kingdome, Province against Province, Christians against Christians, à quibus nec unquam cogitatione fuerunt lesi, of whom they neuer had offence in thought, word or deed: Infinite treasures consumed, townes burned, flourishing cities sacked & ruined, goodly countries depopulated & left desolate, old inhabitants expelled, trade & traffick decayed, maides deflowred, &c. *Et quicquid gaudens scelerè animus audet, & peruersa mens*, saith *Cyprian*, and whatsoever torment, misery, mischief, hell it selfe, the diuell, & fury, and rage can invent, to their own ruine and destruction; so abominable a thing is warre, as *Gerbelius* concludes, *adeo feda & abominanda res est bellum, ex quo hominum cades, vastationes, &c.* Had *Democritus* bin present at those late ciuill warres in *France*, & wherein lesse then in tenne yeares, tenne hundred thousand men were consumed, saith *Collignius*, 20 thousand Churches ouerthrowne; or at our late *Pharsalian* fields in the time of *Henry* the first, betwixt the houses of *Lancaster* & *Torke*, an hundred thousand men slain, ^h one saith; ⁱ another, ten thousand families were rooted out, that no man can but maruell, saith *Comineus*, at that barbarous immanity, for all madnesse, committed betwixt men of the same nation, language and religion. ^k *Quis furor ô cives?* why doe the Gentiles so furiously rage, saith the Prophet *Dauid*, *Psal. 2.1.* But we may aske, why doe the Christians so furiously rage?

† *Arma volunt, quare poscunt, rapiuntq; luventus?*

Vnfit for Gentiles, much lesse for vs so to tyrannize, as the *Spaniard* in the *East Indies*, that killed vp in 42 yeares (if we may beleue ^l *Bartholomæus* à *Casa* their own Bishop) 12 Millions of men, with stupend & exquisite torments; neither should *Jly* (said he) if I said 50 Millions. I omit those *French* Massacres, *Sicilian* Euen songs, ^m the Duke of *Alvas* tyrannies, our gunpowder machinations, & that fourth fury, as ⁿ one calls it, the *Spanish* Inquisition, which

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^b *Jovius* vit.
^c *ius.*
^d *Comineus.*

^e *Hist. of the*
siege of Ostend
fol. 23.

^f *Tully.*

^g *Tully.*

^h *Lucan.*

ⁱ *Pater in filium, affinis in affinem, amicus in amicum, &c.*

^j *Regio cum regione, regnum regno colliditur.*

^k *Populus populo in mutua perniciem, belluaria*

^l *instar sanguinolente ruentium.*

^m *† Fra enim & furor Bellone consultores, &c. dementes sacerdotes sunt.*

ⁿ *Galorum decies centum milia ceciderunt.*

^o *Ecclesiarum 20 millia fundamentis excisa.*

^p *† Pont. Huterus*

^q *Comineus. Vt nullus non excretur & admiratur crudelitatem, & barbaram insaniam,*

^r *que inter homines eodem sub celo natos, eiusdem lingua,*

^s *sanguinis, religionis exercebatur.*

^t *Lucan.*

^u *Virg.*

^v *Bishop of Cusco an eyewitness.*

^w *Read Metellan of his stupend cruelties.*

^x *Hensius Ant. Priaco.*

which quite obscures those tenne persecutions,

* *Sevit toto Mars impius orbe,*

* Virg. Georg.

* Iamhenus Gal-

lovelgicus 1596.

Mundus furio-

sus, inscriptio

Libri.

† Fleat Hera-

clitus an videat

Democritus.

b Curæ leues lo-

quantur, ingen-

tes stupent.

c Arma amens

capio, nec sat ra-

tionis in armis.

† Erasmus.

c Cruelissimos,

sevisimosq; la-

troces, fortissi-

mos haberi pro-

pugnatores, fidi-

simos duces ha-

bent, brutâ

persuasione do-

nati.

c Eobanus Hef-

sus, quibus om-

nis in armis vita

placet, non ulla

suarat nisi morte,

nec ullam esse

putant vitam,

que non assue-

verit armis.

† Nulli beatiores

haberi, quàm qui

in preliis cecidi-

dissent. Brisotius

de rep. c. 1. 1. 1.

lib. 3 fol 344.

Idem Ammianus

lib. 23. de Par-

thia, ludicatur is

solus beatus apud

eos, qui in prelio

fuderit animam.

† De benefic.

lib. 2. cap. 1.

* Nat. quest. lib.

3. q. 1.

† Boterus Am-

phitridion.

c Busbequius

Turc. hist. per-

cedes & sangui-

nem parare ho-

minibus ascen-

sum in calum-

putant. Lactant.

de falsâ relig. l. 1.

cap 8.

† Cruentam hu-

mani generis pestem,

& perniciem divinitatis notâ insigniunt.

* Et quod dolendum, applausum habeat & occisum viri tales.

† Herculi eadem porta ad celum patuit, qui magnam generis humani partem perdidit.

† Virg. Æn. 7. 1. Homicidium quum com-

mittunt singuli, crimen est, quum publice geritur, virtus vocatur. Cyprian.

* Seneca.

Is not this *a Mundus furiosus*, a mad world, as he tearmes it, *insanum bellum*? would this, thinke you, haue inforced our *Democritus* to laughter, or rather haue made him turne his tune, alter his tone, and weep with *† Heracitus*, or rather howle, ° roare, and teare his haire in commiseration, or stand amazed; or as the Poets faine, that *Niobe* was for grieffe quite stupified & turned to a stone? I haue not yet said the worst, That which is more absurd and mad, In their tumults, seditions, ciuill and vniust warres, *† quod stulte suscipitur, impie geritur, misere finitur*, such warres I meane, for all are not to be condemned, and valour is much to be commended in a wise man, but they mistake most part, *auferre, trucidare, rapere, falsis nominibus virtutem vocant* &c. (Twas *Galgacus* obseruation in *Tacitus*) they call theft, murder, and rapine, vertue, by a wrong name, &c. *d* They commonly call the most hairebraine bloodsuckers, strongest theenes, the most desperate villaines, treacherous rogues, inhumane murderers, rash, cruell and dissolute catiffes; couragious and generous spirits, heroicall & worthy captaines, *c* braue men at armes, valiant and renowned souldiers, possessed with a brute perswasion of false honour, as *Pontus Huter* in his *Burgundian History* complains. *Alexander* was sorry, because there were no moe Worlds for him to conquer, he is admired by some for it, *a nimosa vox videtur, & regia*, 'twas spoken like a Prince; but as wise *† Seneca* censures him, 'twas *vox iniquissima & stultissima*, 'twas spoken like a foole; and that sentence which the same ** Seneca* appropriates to his father *Philip* and him, I apply to them all, *Non minores fuere pestes mortalium, quam inundatio, quam conflagratio, quibus &c.* they did as much mischief to mortall men, as fire and water, those mercilesse elements when they rage. *f* And that which is more to bee lamented, they perswade them, that by these bloody warres, as *† Persians* of old, as moderne *Turkes* doe their Commons, to encourage them to fight, *ut cadant infeliciter*, If they die in them, they goe directly to heauen, and shall be canonized for Saints, and so they put a note of *† diuinity* vpon the most cruell and pernicious plague of humane kinde, adore such men with grand titles, degrees, statues, Images, ** honour*, applaud and highly reward them for their good seruice, no greater glory then to die in the field: as *Africanus* is extolled by *Ennius*; *Mars* and *† Hercules*, & I know not how many besides of old, went this way to Heauen, that were indeed bloody burchers, destroyers and troublers of the World, prodigious monsters, hellhounds, ferall plagues, deuourers, common executioners of humane kind, as *Lactantius* truely proues, and *Cyprian* to *Donat*. *Madet orbis mutuo sanguine*, the earth wallowes in her own blood,

† *Sevit amor ferri & sceleratis sania belli.*

and for that, which if it be done in priuat, a man shall bee rigorously executed and which is no lesse then murder it selfe, if the same fact be done in publike in warres, it is called manhood, and the party is honoured for it.

* *prosperum & felix scelus*

Virtus vocatur

we measure all as *Turkes* doe

by

by the cunct, and most part, as *Cyprian* notes, in all ages, countries, places, *se-*
vitiæ magnitudo impunitatem sceleris acquirit, the foulness of the fact, vin-
 dicates the offender. ^k One is crowned for that which another is tormented: ^k *Juven.*

Ille crucem sceleris precium tulit, hic diadema,
 made a Knight, a Lord, an Earle, a great Duke (as ^l *Agrippa* notes) for
 which another should haue hung in gibbers, as a terror to the rest,

—† & tamen alter,

Si fecisset idem caderet sub iudice morum.

A poore sheep-stealer is hanged for stealing of victuals, compelled perad-
 venture by necessity of that intollerable cold, hunger and thirst, to saue him-
 selfe from starving: but a ^m great man in office, may securely rob whole pro-
 uinces, yndoe thousands, pill and pole, oppresse *ad libitum*, flea, grind, tyran-
 nize, inrich himselfe by spoyles of the commons, be vncontrollable in all his
 actions, and after all, be recompenced with turgent titles, honoured for his
 good seruice, and no man dare find fault, or ⁿ mutter at it.

How would our *Democritus* haue bin affected, to see a wicked caitiffe, or
 o foole, a very idiot, a funge, a monster of man, to haue many good men, wise men,
 learned men to attend vpon him with all submission, as an appendix to his riches,
 for that respect alone, because he hath more wealth and mony, ^p and to honour him
 with diuine titles, and bumbast Epithets, to smother him with fumes and eu-
 logies, whom they know to be a dizard, a foole, a couetous wretch, &c. be-
 cause he is rich. To see *sub exuvys leonis onagram*, a filthy lothsome carcase, a
 Gorgons head puffed vp by parasites, assume this vnto himself, glorious titles,
 in worth an infant, a Cuman asse, a painted sepulchre, an *Egyptian* temple.
 To see a withered face, a diseased, deformed, cankered complexion, a viperous
 mind, and Epicurean soule set out with Orient pearles, lewels, diadems, per-
 fumes, curious elaborate workes, as proud of his cloathes, as a childe of his
 new coates; & a goodly person of an Angelick diuine countenance, a Saint,
 an humble mind, a meeke spirit cloathed in ragges, beg, and now ready to be
 starued. To see a filly contemptible slouen in apparell, ragged in his coat, po-
 lite in speech, of a diuine spirit, wise: another neat in cloathes, spruce, full of
 curtesie, empty of grace, wit, talke non-sense.

To see so many Lawyers, Advocates, *Tribunal litium segetem*, a Laby-
 rinth, so many thousand Sutes in one Court sometimes, so violently follow-
 ed. To see *iniustissimum sæpe inri prædidentem*, *impium religioni*, *imperitissi-*
imum eruditioni, *otiosissimum labori*, *monstruosum humanitati*. To see a Lamb
 executed, a Wolfe pronounce sentence, *latro* arraigned, and *fur* sit on the
 bench, the Iudge seuerely punish others, and doe worse himselfe, † *eundem*
fur tunc facere & punire, ^{*} *rapinam plectere, quum sit ipse raptor*. Lawes altered,
 misconstrued, interpreted *pro* and *con*, as the ^r Judge is made by friends, bri-
 bed, or otherwise affected, as a nose of waxe, good to day, none to morrow:
 or firme in his opinion, cast in his. Sentence prolonged, changed *ad arbitri-*
um iudicii, still the same case, ^l one thrust out of his inheritance, another falsely
 put in by fauour, false forged deeds or wils. *In cæsa leges negliguntur*, lawes made
 and not kept; or if put in execution, ^t they be some filly ones that are punish-
 ed. As put case it be fornicatiõ, the father will disinherit or abdicate his child,

bi sola pecunia reuolat. Idem. ^l *Hic arcetur hereditatibus liberi, hic donatur bonis alienis, falsum consulit alter, testamentum cor-*
rumpit, &c. Idem. ^l *Vexat censura columbas.*

^k *Juven.*

^l *De vanit. sci-*
ent. de princip.
nobilitatis.

† *Iuven. Sat. 4.*

^m *Pausa rapie*
quod Natta re-
liquit. Tu pesti-
mus omnium la-
tro es, as Deme-
trius the Pyrat
told Alexander
in Cartius.

ⁿ *Non aucti mu-*
ture, &c. Asop.
^o *Improbum &*
stultum si dir-
tem, multos ho-
nos viros in ser-
uitute habent;
ob id duntaxat,
quod ei contin-
gat aureorum
numismatum
cumulus ut ap-
pendices, & ad-
ditamenta nu-
mis mat. m. Mo-
rus Utopia.

^p *Eorumq; de-*
testantur Pro-
pienses saniam,
qui diuinos ho-
nores in impen-
duat, quos sordi-
dos & auaros
agnoscunt, non
alio respectu
honorantes,
quam quod dites
sint. Idem lib. 2.
^q *Cypr. 2. ad Do-*
nat. epist. Vt re-
us innocens pe-
reat sit nocens.
Iudex damnat
foras, quod intus
operatur.

† *Sidonius Apol.*
^{*} *Salvianus lib.*
3. de providen.

^r *Ergo Iudicii*
nihil est nisi pub-
lica merces. Pe-
tronius. Quid
faciant leges n-

quite casheere him (out villaine, be gone, come no more in my sight) a poore man is miserably tormented with losse of his estate perhaps, goods, fortunes, good name, for euer disgraced, forsaken, and must doe pennance to the vtmost, and yet make the worst of it, *nunquid aliud fecit*, saith *Tranio* in the † Poet. *nisi quod faciunt summis nati generibus*, he hath done no more then what Gentlemen vsually doe.

† *Plant. mostel.*a *Jadm.** *Neg. novum, neg. mirum, neg. secus quam alij solent.*

For in a great person 'tis no offence at all, a common and ordinary thing, no man takes notice of it; he iustifies it in publike, and peradventure braggies of it,

† *Nam quod turpe bonis, Titio, Serioq. decebat**Crispinum.*

u Many poore men,

yonger brothers, &c. by reason of bad policy, and idle education, are compelled to begge or steale, and then hanged for theft; then which, what can bee more ignominious, *non minus enim turpe principi multa supplicia, quam medico multa funera*, 'tis the gouernors fault. *Libentius verberant quam docent*, as Schoolemasters doe, rather correct their pupills, then teach them when they doe amisse. * *They had more need provide there should bee no more theeves and beggars, as they ought with good policy, and take away the occasions, then les them runne on, as they doe, to their destruction*, And root out likewise those causes of wrangling, a multitude of Lawyers, and compose controuersies by some more compendious meanes. Whereas now for euery toy and trifle they goe to law, † *Mugit litibus insanum forum, & seruit invicem discordantiam rabies*, they are ready to pull out one anothers throats, & for commodity to squise blood, saith *Hierom*, out of their brothers heart, defame, lye, disgrace, backbite, raile, beare false witnes, sweare and forswear, fight & wrangle, spend their goods, liues, fortunes, friends, vndoe one another, to enrich an *Harpy* Advocate, that preyes vpon them both, and cryes *Eia Socrates, Eia Xantippe*; or some corrupt Judge, that like the Kite in *Aesop*, while the Mous and Frog fought, carried both away. Generally they prey one vpon another as so many rauenous birds, brute beasts, deuouring Fishes, no medium, b *omnes hic aut captantur, aut captant, aut cadavera quae lacerantur, aut corvi qui lacerant*, either deceiue, or be deceiued; teare others, or be torne in pieces themselves. What's the market? a place according to † *Anacharsis*, wherein they cozen one another. Nay, what's the world it selfe? * a vast chaos, a confusion of manners, as fickle as the Aire it selfe, a turbulent troupe full of impurities, a mart of walking spirits, goblins, the theatre of hypocrisie, a shop of knaue-ry, flattery, a nursery of villany, the scene of babling, the schoole of giddines, the Academy of vice. a warfare, *vbi velis nolis pugnandum, aut vincas, aut succumbas*, in which kill, or bee kill'd; wherein euery man is for himselfe, for his owne ends, and stands vpon his owne guard. No charity, c loue, friendship, feare of God, alliance, affinity, consanguinity, Christianity can containe them, but if they be any waies offended, or that string of commodity be touched they fall fowle. Old friends become bitter enemies on a sudden, for toyes and small offences, and they that erst were willing to doe all mutuall offices of loue and kindnesse, now revile and persecute one another to death, with more then *Vatinius* hatred, and will not bee reconciled. So long as they are behouefull, they loue or may besteed each other, but when there is no more good to be expected, as they doe by an old dogge hang

† *Iuven. Sat. A.*u *Quod tot sint**fures & mendi-**si magistratu-**um culpa sit,**qui malos imi-**tantur precep-**tores, qui disci-**pulos libentius**verberant, quam**docent. Aduus**Vtop. l. i.** *Decernuntur**fari graua &**horrenda suppli-**cia, quum potius**providendum**multo foret ne**fures sint, ne cui-**quam tam dira**furandi aut per-**eundi sit necessi-**tas. Idem.*† *Boterus de**augment. vrb.**lib. 3. cap. 3.** *E fraterno**corde anguem**eliciunt.*a *Milvus rapit**ac deglubit.*b *Petronius de**Cro:one ciuitate*† *Quid forum?**locus quo alius**alium circum-**venit.** *Vastum cha-**os, larvarum**emporium, thea-**trum hypocrisi-**os, &c.*c *Nemo colum,**nemo insuran-**dum, nemo To-**wem pluvie fa-**cit, sed omnes a-**pertis oculis bo-**ua sua comu-**sant. Petronius.*

hang him vp or casseire him; instead of recompence, revile him; & when they haue made him an instrument of their villany; as *† Bataxet* 2. Emperour of the *Turkes*, did by *Acomethes Bassa*, make him away: In a word, euery man for his owne ends: our *summum bonum* is commodity, and the Goddesse we adore is *Dea moneta*, Queene Mony, to whom we daily offer sacrifice, which steeres our hearts, hands, & affections, all: that most powerfull Goddesse, by whom we are reared, depressed, eleuated, & esteemed, the sole commandresse of our actions, for which we pray, runne, ride, goe, come, labour, & contend as fishes doe for a crumme that falleth into the water. It is not worth, wisdom, learning, honesty, religion, or any sufficiency for which we are respected, but *mony*: honesty is accounted folly; knauery, pollicy; *men* admired out of opinion, not as they are, but as they seeme to be: such shifting, lying, cogging, plotting, counterplotting, flattering, cosening, dissembling, *that of necessity one must highly offend God if he be conformable to the world*, *Cretæ are cum Crete*, or else liue in contempt, disgrace, and misery. One takes vpon him temperance, holinesse, another austerity, a third an affected kinde of simplicity, when as indeed he, and he, and he, and the rest are *hypocrites*, *ambodexters*, outsidcs, like so many turning pictures, a lion on the one side, a lambe on the other. How would *Democritus* haue beene affected to see these things?

To see a man turne himselfe into all shapes like a *Camelion*, or as *Proteus*, *Omnia transformans sese in miracula rerum*, to act twenty parts at once, for his aduantage, to temporize and vary like *Mercury* the planet, good with good, bad with the bad; of all religions, humours, inclinations, to fawne like a Spaniel, rage like a Lion, barke like a Cur, fight like a Dragon, sting like a Serpent, as meeke as a Lambe, and yet againe grinne like a Tigre, weep like a Crocodile, insult ouer others, and yet others insult ouer him, here command, there crouch, tyrannize in one place, be baffled in another, a wise man at home, a foole abroad to make others merry.

To see so much difference betwixt words and deeds, so many parafrases betwixt tongue & heart, men like stage players act other mens parts, & giue good precepts to others, to sore aloft, whilst they themselues grouel on the ground.

To see a man protest friendship, kisse his hand, *† quem mallet truncatum videre*, smile with an intent to doe mischief, or cosen him whom hee salutes, magnifie his friend vnworthy with hyperbolicall elogiums, his enemy albeit a good man, to vilifie and disgrace him, and all his actions, with the vtmost liuor and malice can inuent.

To see a *seruant* able to buy out his master, him that carries the mace more worth then the Magistrate, which *Plato l. 11. de leg.* absolutely forbids *Epictetus* abhorres. An horse that tills the land fed with chaffe, an idle iade haue prouender in abundance; him that makes shooes goe barefoot himselfe, him that sels meat almost pined; a toying drudge statue, a drone flourish.

To see men buy smoke for wares, castles built with fooles heads, men like apes follow the fashions, in tyes, gestures, actions: if the king laugh, all laugh. *o Alexander* stouped, so did all his Courtiers. *Alphonsus* turned his head, &

things lesse. ** Ministri locupletiores q̄s quibus ministratur, seruus maiores opes habens quam patronus.* *† Qui terram colunt equi palea pascentur, qui otiantur caballi auenâ saginantur, discalceatus discurret qui calces alyis facit.* *o Bodine lib. 4. de Repub. cap. 6.*

† Iovius. Cum innumera illius beneficia rependere non possent autem, interfecti sunt.

o Pausanias. Charis, or est fides quâ pecunia. Salust.

o Primasere. vota & cunctis etc.

o Regius. Ex formam Regina pecunia donat.

o Quantum. quicquid in munusculum servat in arca Tantum habet. o fidei.

o Non a perfectâ ab ornata & vulgi vobis habemus excellentes. Card.

o Perjurata. suo post punit numi. naluero Mercator. Ut necessarium sit vel Deo displicere, vel ab hominibus contemni, vexari, negligi.

o Qui curiosus. malant & Bacchus. malia vniu.

o Tragelapho. si miles vel centauris, sussum.

o Homines, deorum equi.

o Preceptis suis cecum promittunt, ipsi interrim pulveris terrent. Ollia mendacia.

o Aeneas Syrus. Arridere homines ut seniant, blandiri ut fallant. Cyp. ad Donatum.

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† Plinius lib. 37
cap. 3. capillos
babuit succine-
os, exinde factū
ut omnes puellæ
Romane colo-
rem affec-
tent.

Od. 1. damna-
tos. juv.

† Agrippa epist.

28. lib. 7. Quo-

rum cerebrum

est in ventre, in-

genium in pati-

nis.

† Pal. They

eat vp my peo-

ple as bread.

† Absumet he-

res cæba dig-
nior servata

centuria clavi-

bui, & mero di-

stinguet pavi-

mentum superbo

pontificum poti-

ore cænis. Hor.

† Doctus specta-

re lacunar.

† Qui Thaidem

pingere, inflare

hibiam, crispare

crimes.

† Tullius. Est e-

nim proprium

stultitiæ aliorum

cernere vitia, ob-

livisci suorum.

Idem Aristippum

Charidemæ apud

Lucianum. Om-

nino stultitiæ cu-

busdam esse pu-

er.

† Execrare pub-

licè quod occul-

te agat. Salvia-

nus lib. de pro-

ceres vilesen-

dis vitis quibus

ipfi vehementer

indulgent.

† Orbi dat leges

foras vix famu-

lum regit sine

strepitu domi.

† Quicquid ego

volo h. c. vult

inter mea, &

quod mater vult

facit pater.

† Oves olim mite pecus, nunc tam indomitum & edax ut homines deuorent, oppida diruant, &c. Morus Vtop. lib. 1. † Diversos va-

rys tribuit natura favores. † Democrit. ep. præd. Has deierantes & potantes deprehenderet, bos vomentes, illos litigantes, insidias mol-

antes, suffragantes, venena miscemes, in amicorum accusationem subscribentes, bos gloria illos ambitione, cupiditate, mente captos, &c.

so did all his parasites. † *Sabina Poppea*, *Neroes* wife, wore amber-coloured haire, so did all the *Roman* Ladies in an instant, her fashion was theirs.

To see men wholly led by affection, admired and censured out of opinion without iudgement: an inconsiderate multitude, like so many dogges in a Village, if one barke all barke without a cause; as fortunes fanne turnes, if a man be in fauour, or commended by some great man, all the world applauds him, ° if in disgrace, in an instant all hate him.

To see a man P weare his braines in his belly, his guts in his head, an hundred Oakes on his back, to deuoure an hundred Oxen at a meale, nay more, to deuoure houses, or as those *Anthropophagi*, & to eat one another.

To see a man rowle himselfe vp like a snowe ball, from base beggery, to right worshipfull and right honourable titles, iniustly to screw himselfe into honours and offices; another to starue his *Genius*, damne his soule to gather wealth, which he shall not enioy, † which his prodigall sonne melts and consumes in an instant.

To see the *αγορησται* of our times, a man bend all his forces, meanes, time, fortunes to bee a fauorites, fauorites, fauorite, &c. a parasites, parasites, parasite, that may scorne the seruile world, as hauing enough already.

To see a Scholler crouch and creepe to an illiterate pesant for a meales meat. A Scriuener better paid for an Obligation; a Faulkner receaue better wages then a Student; a Lawyer get more in a day then a Philosopher in a yeare, better rewarded for an houre, then a Scholler for a yeares study; him that can † paint *Thais*, play on a fiddle, curle haire, &c. sooner get preferment then a Philologer or a Poet.

To see a fond mother like *Æsopes* Ape, hugge her child to death, a wit-tall winke at his wiues honesty, and too perspicacious in all other affaires; one stumble at a strawe, and leape ouer a block; Rob *Peter* and pay *Paul*, Penny wise, pound foolish; blind men iudge of colours; wise men silent, fools talke; † finde fault with others and doe worse himselfe; † denounce that in publike which hee doth in secret, & which *Aurelius Victor* giues out of *Augustus*, seuerely censure that in a third of which he is most guilty himselfe.

To see wise men degraded, fooles preferred, one gouerne Townes and Citties, & yet a silly woman ouer-rules him at home: command a Province, and yet his owne seruants or children prescribe lawes to him, as *Themistocles* sonne did in *Greece*, † *What I will* (saith he) *my mother will*, & *what my mother will my father doth*. To see horses ride in a coach, men draw it; dogs deuoure their masters; Towres build Mafons; Children rule; old men goe to school; women weare the breeches; † sheepe demolish townes, deuoure men, &c. And in a word, the world turned vpside downeward. *O uiveret Democritus!*

† To insist in euery particular were one of *Hercules* labours, there's so many ridiculous instances, as mores in the Sunne. *Quantum est in rebus inane?* and who can speake of all? *Crimine ab vno Disce omnes*, take this for a taste.

But these are obuious to sense, triuiall and well knowne, easie to bee discerned. How would *Democritus* haue beene moued, had hee seene y the secrets of their hearts? If euery man had a window in his brest, which *Momus*

would

would haue had in *Vulcanus* man, or that which *Tully* so much wisht, it were written on euery mans forehead, *quid quisq; de repub. sentiret*, what hee thought, or that it could bee effected in an instant, which *Mercury* did by *Charon* in *Lucian*, by touching of his eyes, to make him discern *semel & simul rumores & susurros*,

Spes hominum cecas, morbos, votumq; labores,

Et passim toto volitantes ethere curas.

Blind hopes and wishes, their thoughts and affaires,

Whispers and rumours, and those flying cares.

That he could *cubiculorum obductas fores recludere*, & *secreta cordium penetrare*, which ² *Cyprian* desired, open doores and lockes, the or bolts, as *Lucians Gallus* did with a feather of his taile: or *Gyges* inuisible ring, or some rare perspective glasse, or *Otacousticon*, which might so multiply species, that a man might heare and see all at once, (as ^{*} *Martianus Capella's* *Iupiter* did in a speare, which he held in his hand, which did represent vnto him al that was dayly done vpon the face of the earth) obserue Cuckolds hornes, forgeries of Alchemists, the Philosophers stone, &c. and all those workes of darknesse, foolish vowes, hopes, feares, and wishes, what a deale of laughter would it haue afforded? He should haue seene windmills in one mans head, an *Hornets* neast in another. Or had he beene present with *Icaromenippus* in *Lucian* at *Iupiters* whispering place, ^a and had heard one pray for raine, another for faire weather; one for his wiues, another for his fathers death, &c. To aske that at Gods hands, which they are abashed any man should heare: How would he haue beene confounded? Would he, thinke you, or any man else say that these men were well in their wits?

Hec sani esse hominis quis sanus iuret Orestes?

Can all the *Hellebor* in the *Anticyra* cure these men? No sure, an akre of *Hellebor* will not doe it.

That which is more to be lamented, they are mad like *Seneca's* blind woman, and will not acknowledge it, or ^b seeke for any cure of it. ^c If our legge or arme offend vs, we couet by al meanes possible to redresse it, ^d and if wee labour of a bodily disease we send for a Physitian; but for the diseases of the minde, we take no notice of them: lust harrowes vs on the one side, envy, anger, ambition, on the other: Wee are torne in peeces by our passions, as so many wild horses, one in disposition, another in habite, one is melancholy, another mad, ^e and which of vs all seekes for helpe, or doth acknowledge his errour, or knowes he is sicke? Every man thinkes with himselfe, *egomet videor mihi sanus*, I am well, I am wise, and laughes at others. And tis a generall fault amongst vs all, that ^f which our fore-fathers haue approued, diet, apparell, opinions, humours, customes, manners, we deride and reiect in our time as absurd, ^g old men account Iunioris all fooles, when as they are meere dizards, and as to saylers — *terraq; vrbesq; rescidunt* — they moue, the land stands still, the world hath much more wit, they dote themselves. *Turkes* deride vs, we them; *Italians*, *Frenchmen*, accounting them light headed fellowes; the *French* scoffe againe at *Italians*, and at all their seuerall customes, *Greeks* haue condemned al the world but themselves of *Barbarisme*, the world as much vilifies them now. We account *Germanes* heavy dull fel-

² Ad Donatum ep. 2. l. 2. O si posses in secula sublimi constitutus, &c.

^{*} Lib. 1. de nup. Philol. In qua quid singuli nationum populi quotidianis motibus agitant, relucebat.

^a O Iupiter contingat mihi aurum, hereditas, &c. Multos da Iupiter annos.

Dementia quantal est hominum turpissima vitiis insuurrant, si quis admoueri autem con-

tiueant, & quod scire homines nolunt. Deo nauant, Seneca. ep. 10. l. 1.

^b Sed grauior morbus quo innotior periclitanti.

^c Quae ledunt oculos festinas demere si quid est animi dis-

fers curandis tempus in annum, Hor.

^d Plantus Maenecb. non potest hac res Helleboriingere obtinuer.

^e Si caput, crura dolet, brachium &c. Medicum accersimus, recte & honeste si

paretiam industria in animi morbis ponetur. Iob. Peletius Iesuita, lib. 2. de hum. affec. morborum cura.

^f Et quoties quisq; tamen est qui contra tot pestes medicum requirit vel agrotare se agnoscat ebullit ira.

^g Et nos tamen egros esse negamus. Incolumes medicum recusant. Praesens aetas stultitiam prisci exprobrat. Eucanus de affe. lib. 5.

² Seneca pro stultis habent iuuenes, Balchazar Castilio.

*Clodius accu-
sat mechos.*

*† Omnium stul-
tissimi qui auri-
culas studiose
regunt. Sat. Me-
nip.*

† Prosper.

*† Statim sapi-
unt statim sci-
unt, nequam
reuerentur ne-
minem imitari
tur, ipsi sibi ex-
emplo Plin. epist.
lib. 8.*

*† Nullus alteri
sapere concedit
ne desipere vi-
deatur Agrip.*

*† August. qualis
in oculis homi-
num qui inuer-
fis pedibus am-
bulat, talis in o-
culis sapientum*

*† Angelorum
qui sibi placet,
aut cum passio-
nes dominantur.*

*† Plautus Me-
nechmi.*

*† Nunc sanita-
tis patrocini-
um est insani-
entium turba. Seneca.*

† Pro Roscio

Amerino. &

*quod inter om-
nes constat insa-
nissimus, nisi in-
ter eos, qui ipse
quod, insaniunt.*

*† Necesse est
eum insani-
entibus furere nisi
solum relinquere
Peronius.*

*† Quoniam non
est genus unum
stultitie, quod me
insanire putat.*

*† Stultum me
fateor licet
concedere veris.*

*† Atq. etiam in-
sanum. Hor.*

*† Odi nec possum
cupiens nec esse
quod odi. Ovid.*

*† Errore grato li-
benter omnes in-
sanimus.*

† Amator scortum vite preponit iracundus vindictam, fur predam, parasitus gulam, ambitiosus honores avarus opes, &c. odimus h. c.

† accersimus. Cardan. lib. 2. de consol.

lowes, explode many of their fashions; they as contemptibly thinke of vs:

Spaniards laugh at all, and all againe at them. So are wee fooles and ridicu-

lous, absurd in all our actions, carriages, diet, apparell, customes, and consul-

tations; we scoffe and point one at another, whenas in conclusion all are

fooles, and they the veriest asses that hide their eares most. A priuate man if

he be resolu'd with himselfe, or set of an opinion, accounts all idiots and as-

*ses that are not affected as he is, so minded, * quodq. volunt homines se bene*

velle putant, that thinke not as he doth, and scornes all in respect of himselfe,

i will imitate none, heare none but himselfe, As Pliny said, a law, and exam-

ple vnto himselfe. And that which Hippocrates in his Epistle to Dionysius, re-

prehended of old, is verified in our times, Quisq. in alio superfluum esse censet,

ipse quod non habet nec curat, that which hee hath not himselfe or doth not

esteeme, he accounts superfluity, an idle quality, a meere foppery in another.

The Chinesse say that we Europeans haue one eye, they themselves two, al the

world else is blind, so thou and thy sectaries are only wise, other indifferent,

the rest besides themselves, meere idiots and Asses. Thus not acknowleging

our owne errors, imperfections, we securely deride all others, as if we alone

were free and spectators of the rest, accounting it an excellent thing, as in-

deed it is: Alienâ optimum frui insaniâ, to make our selues merry with other

mens obliquities, when as he himselfe is more faulty then the rest, mutato no-

mine de te fabula narratur, he may take himselfe by the nose for a foole, and

which one calls maximum stultitia specimen, to be ridiculous to others, and

not to perceau'e or take notice of it, tis his owne case, hee is a conuict madde

man, as Austin well inferres, in the eyes of wise men and Angells he seemes like

to one that to our thinking, walkes with his heeles upward. So thou laugh-

est at me, and I at thee, both at a third, and he returnes that of the Poet vpon

vs again. Hei mihi insanire me aiunt, quum ipsi ultro insaniant, We accuse

others of madnesse, of folly, and are the veriest dizards our selues. Or else per-

aduenture in some places we are all mad for company, and so 'tis not seen,

Tis with vs, as it was of old (in Tullies censure at least) with C. Fimbria in

Rome, a bold, harebraine, mad fellow, and so esteemed of all, such only excep-

ted, that were as mad as himselfe: now in such a case there is no notice ta-

ken of it. Nimirum insanus paucis videatur, eo quod

Maxima pars hominum morbo iactatur eodem.

When all are mad, where all are like oppress,

Who can discern one mad man from the rest?

But put case they doe perceiue it, & some one be manifestly convicted of mad-

nesse, he now takes notice of his folly, be it in action, gesture, speech, a vain

humor he hath in building, bragging, spending, gaming, courting, scribbling,

prating, for which he is ridiculous to others, & on which hee dotes, hee doth

acknowledge as much: yet with all the Rhetoricke thou hast, thou canst not

so recall him, but to the contrary notwithstanding, he will perseuere in his

dotage. 'Tis amabilis insania, & mentis gratissimus error, so pleasing, so delici-

ous, that he cannot leaue it. He knowes his error, but will not seeke to de-

cline it, tell him what the euent will be, beggery, sorrow, sicknesse, disgrace,

shame, losse, madnesse, yet an angry man will preferre vengeance, a lasciuious

his whore, a theefe his booty, a glutton his belly before his welfare. Tell an Epicure, a covetous man, an ambitious man, of his irregular course, weine him from it a little, *pol me occidisti amici*, he cries anon, you have vndone him, & as a dog to his vomit, he returnes to it againe; no perswasion will take place, no counsell, say what thou canst, *clames licet, & mare caelo confundas, surdo narras*, demonstrat as *Vlysses* did to *Elpenor* and *Gryllus*, and the rest of his companions, those swinish men, he is irrefragable in his humor, he will bee a hog still, bray him in a mortar, he will be the same. If he be in an heresie, or some peruerse opinion, settled as some of our ignorant Papists are, convince his vnderstanding, shew him the severall follies, and absurd fopperies of that faction, make him say, *veris vincor*, make it as cleare as the sun, hee will erre still, peeuish & obstinate as he is; and as he said, *si in hoc erro, libenter erro, nec huic errorem auferri mihi volo*; I will doe as I have done, as my predecessors have done, and as my friends now doe: I will dote for company. Say now, are these men a mad or no, are they ridiculous? *cedo quemvis arbitrum*, are they sane *mentis*, sober, wise, & discrete? have they common sense?

—† *uter est insanior horum?*

I am of *Democritus* opinion for my part, I hold them worthy to be laughed at, a company of dizzards, as mad as *Orestes* & *Athamas*, that they may go ride the Asses, or all saile along to the *Anticyre*, in the ship of fooles for company together. I need not much labour to proue this which I say, otherwise then thus, or make any solemne protestation, or swear, I think you will beleeue me without an oath; say at a word, are they fooles? I referre it to you, though you bee likewise fooles and madmen your selues, and I as madde to aske the question; for what said our comieall *Mercury*,

† *Iustum ab iniusto petere insipientia est.*

He stand to your censure yet, what thinke you?

But forasmuch as I vndertook at first, that Kingdomes, Prouinces, Families, were melancholy as well as priuat men, I will examine them in particular, & that which I haue hitherto dilated at randome, in more generall termes, I will now particularly insist in, I prone with more speciall & euident Arguments, Testimonies, Illustrations, & that in brieft.

† *Nunc accipe quare Desipiant omnes aequè ac tu.*

My first Argument is borrowed from *Solomon*, an arrow drawne out of his Sententious quiver, *Prov. 3. 7. Be not wise in thine owne eyes*, and *26. 12. Seekest thou a man wise in his owne conceit, more hope is of a foole then of him. I say* pronounceth a woe against such men, *cap. 5. 21. That are wise in their owne eyes, and prudent in their owne sight*. For hence we may gather, that it is a great offence, & men are much deceiued that thinke too well of themselves, an especiall Argument to convince them of folly. Many men (saith *Seneca*) had beene without question wise, had they not had an opinion that they had attained to perfection of knowledge already, even before they had gone halfe way. They had too good a conceit of themselves, & that marred all; of their Worth, Valor, Skill, Art, Learning, Iudgment, Eloquence, their good parts, all their Geese are Swannes, & that manifestly proues them to be no better then fooles. In former times they had but seuen wise men, now you can scarce find so many fooles. *Thales* sent the golden Tripes, which the Fishermen found; & the Oracle commanded to be giuen to the wisest, to *Bias*, *Bias* to *Solon*, &c. If such a

Prov. 26. 11.

Plutarch.
Gryllo. suilli homines. sic Clem. Alexand. vocat.

* Non persuadebitur si persuaseris.

† Tully.

† Malo cum illis insanire, quam cum aliis bene sentire.

† Qui inter hos enutritur, non magis sapere possunt, quam qui in culina bene clere. Petron.

† Hor. 2. ser.

† Vesani exagitant pueri, in nuptaq. puelle.

† Plautus.

† Hor. lib. 2. Sat. 2.

† Superbam stultitiam Plinius vocat. 7. epist. 21 quod semel dixi. fixum, ratumq. sit.

† Multi sapientes proculdubio fuissent, si se non putassent ad sapientie summum pervenisse.

† Plutarchus Solone dicitur sapientiori.

¶ *Tam presentibus plena est multitudinis, ut facilius possis Deum quam hominem invenire.*

† *Pulchrum his dicere non nocet.*

† *Malefactor.*

¶ *Who can find a faithfull man? Pro. 20. 6*

¶ *In Ps. 49. qui momentanea sempiternis. qui dilapidat heri absentis bona, max in ius vocandus & damnandus.*

¶ *Perquam ridiculum est homines ex animi sententia vivere, & que Diis ingrata sunt exequi, & tamen a solis Diis velle salvos fieri, quum proprie salutis curam abiecerint. Theod. cap. 6. de provid. lib. de curat. grec. affect.*

¶ *Sapiens sibi qui imperiosus, &c. Hor. 2. ser. 7*

¶ *Conclus. lib. de vic. offer. certum est animi morbis laborantes pro mortuis censendos.*

¶ *Lib. de sap. ubi timor adest, sapientia adesse nequit.*

¶ *Qui d. iustitias Xerxe Hellepontum verberante, &c.*

¶ *Ecclus. 21. 12*

¶ *Where is bitterness, there is no vnderstanding. Pro. 12. 16, an angry man is a fool.*

¶ *3. Tusc. Invidia in sapientem non cadit.*

¶ *In bom. 6. in 2. epist. ad Cor.*

¶ *Homines te agnoscere nequeo, cum tanquam asinus recalcitres, lascivias ut taurus, hinnias ut equus post mulieres, ut ursus ventri indulgeas, quum rapinas ut lupus, &c. at inquis formam hominis habeo, id magis terret, quum feram humanam specie videre me putem.*

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thing were now found, we should all fight for it, wee are so wise: wee haue women Politicians, children Metaphysicians; Euery silly fellow can square a circle, make perpetuall motions, the Philosophers stone, interpret *Apocalypsis*, make new Theoricks, new Logicke, new Philosophy, &c. *Noftra utique regio*, saith *Petronius*, our country is so full of deified spirits, diuine soules, that you may sooner find a God, then a man amongst vs, we thinke so well of our selues, and that is an ample testimony of much folly.

My second Argument is grounded vpon the like place of Scripture, which though before mentioned in effect, yet for some reasons is to be repeated (& by *Plato's* good leaue, I may doe it, *† δὲ τὸ καλὸν ἐστὶν ἰδεῖν ἑαυτοῦ.*) *Fooles* (saith *David*) by reason of their transgressions, &c. *Psalm. 107. 17.* Hence *Musculus* inferres, all transgressours must needs be fooles. So we read *Rom. 2* Tribulation and anguish is on the soule of euery man that doth euill, but all doe euill. And *Isay 65. 24.* My seruants shall sing for ioy, and yee shall cry for sorrow of heart, and vexation of mind. 'Tis ratified by the common consent of all Philosophers. Dishonesty (saith *Cardan*) is nothing else but folly and madnesse, & *Probus* quis nobiscum vivit? shew me an honest man, *Nemo malus qui non stultus*, 'tis *Fabius* Aphorisme, to the same end. If none honest, none wise, all fooles. And well may they be so accounted; for who will say that he is a wise man (saith *h. Musculus*) that preferres momentary pleasures to eternity, that spends his masters goods in his absence, forthwith to be condemned for it? Who will say that a sick man is wise, that eates & drinckes to overthrow the temperature of his body? can you account him wise or discreet, that would willingly haue his health, & yet will doe nothing that should procure or continue it? *Theodoret* out of *Plotinus* the Platonist, holdes it a ridiculous thing for a man to live after his owne lawes, to doe that which is offensive to God, and yet to hope that he should save him: & when he voluntarily neglects his own safety, and contemnes the meanes, to thinke to bee deliuered by an other. Who will say these men are wise?

A third Argument may be deriued from the precedent, *¶* all men are carried away with passion, discontent, lust, pleasures, &c. Therefore more then Melancholy, quite mad, bruit beasts, and void of all reason, as *Chrysostome* contends, or rather dead and buried aliue, as *Philoludens* concludes it for a certainty, of all such that are carried away with passions, or labour of any disease of the mind: where is feare and sorrow, there *¶* *Lactantius* stiffly maintaines, wisdom cannot dwell. *Seneca* and the rest of the Stoicks are of opinion, that where is any the least perturbation, wisdom cannot be found. What more ridiculous, as *¶* *Lactantius* vrgeth, then to heare how *Xerxes* whipped the *Hellepont*, threatned the mountaine *Atbos*, & the like. To speake ad rem, who is free from passion? *¶* *Mortalis nemo est quem non attingat dolor, morbusve*, as *P. Tully* determines out of an old Poeme, no mortall men can auoide sorrow and sicknesse, and sorrow is an vnseparable companion of Melancholy. *¶* *Chrysostome* pleades farther yet, that they are more then mad, very beasts stupified and void of common sense: For how (saith he) shall I know thee to bee a man, when thou kickest like an asse, megest like an horse after women, rankest in

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lust like a Bull, rauenest like a Beare, stingest like a Scorpion, rakest like a wolfe, as subtle as a Foxe, as impudent as a Dogge: shall I say thou art a man, that hast all the Symptomes of a beast? how shall I know thee to be a man, by thy shap: that affrights me more, when I see a beast in likenesse of a man.

† Seneca calls that of Epicurus, magnificam vocem, an heroicall speech, A foole still beginnes to liue, and accompts it a filthy lightnesse in men, euery day to lay new foundations of their life, but who doth otherwise? one trauels, another builds, one for this, another for that businesse, and olde folkes are as farre out as the rest. Therefore, yong, old, middle age, all are stupid, and dote.

* Aeneas Sylvius amongst many other, sets downe three speciall wayes to finde a foole by. He is a foole that seekes that he can neuer find: Hee is a foole that seekes that, which being found, will doe him more harme then good: He is a foole, that hauing variety of wayes to bring him to his iournies end, takes that which is worst. If so, me thinkes most men are fooles, examine their courses, and you shall soone perceiue, what dizards and madmen they most part are.

Beroaldus will haue drunkards, and such as more then ordinarily delight in drinke, to be mad. The first pot quencheth thirst, the second makes merry, the third for pleasure, quarta ad insaniam, the fourth makes them mad. If this position be true, what a Catalogue of madmen shall wee haue? what shall they be that drinke foure times foure? Nonne supra omnem furorem, supra omnem insaniam reddunt insanissimos? I am of his opinion, they are more then mad, worse then mad.

The Abderites condemned Democritus for a madman, because hee was sometimes sad, and sometimes again profusely merry. Hæc patriâ (saith Hippocrates) ob risum furere & insanire dicunt, his country-men hold him mad, because he laughes, and therefore hee desires him to aduise all his friends at Rhodes, that they doe not laugh ouermuch, or be ouer sad; Had those Abderites bin conversant with vs, and had but seen what fleering and grinning there is in this age, they would certainly haue concluded, wee had beene all out of our wits.

Aristotle in his Ethicks holds, Felix idemq; sapiens, to be wise and happy are reciprocall tearmes, bonus idemq; sapiens honestus. 'Tis * Tullies paradox, wisemen are fooles, fooles are slaues, liberty is a power to liue according to his own Lawes, as we will our selues, who hath this liberty, who is free?

———— * sapiens sibiq; imperiosus,
Quem neq; pauperies, neq; mors, neq; vincula terrent,
Respondere cupidinibus, contemnere honores
Fortis, & in seipso totus teres atq; rotundus.
He is wise that can command his own will;
Valiant and constant to himselfe still,
Whom pouerty, nor death, nor bands can fright,
Checkes his desires, scornes, honors, iust and right.

But where shall such a man be found? If nowhere, then e diametro, we are all slaues, senselesse, or worse. Nemo malus felix. But no man is happy in this life, none good, therefore no man wise.

Rari quippe boni ———
for one vertue, you shall find ten vices in the same party. We may peradventure vsurpe the name, or attribute it to others for fauour, as Carolus Sapiens, philippus

† Epist. lib. 2. 13
Stultus semper
incipit vivere.
feda hominum
leuitas, non a
quotidiè funda-
menta vite po-
nere. nuda spes
&c.

* De curial. mi-
ser. Stultus, qui
querit quod ne-
quit inuenire,
stultus qui que-
rit quod nocet
inuentum, stul-
tus qui cum plu-
res habet calles,
deteriorem deli-
git. Mibi viden-
tur omnes deli-
cantes, &c.
¶ Declamat.

¶ Ep. Demagogo.
¶ Amici nostri
Rhodi dicunt, ne
nimium rideant,
aut nimium tri-
stes sunt.

¶ Per multos
risum poteris
cognoscere stul-
tiam.

¶ Offic. 3. cap. 9.

* Sapientes li-
beri, stulti serui;
libertas est pote-
stas, &c.

¶ Hor. 2. ser. 7.

† Furor.

Philippus Bonus, Lodovicus Pins, &c. and describe the properties of a wise man, as *Tully* doth an Orator, *Xenophon* Cyrus, *Castilio* a Courtier, *Galen* Temperament, An Aristocrasie is described by Politicians. But where shall such a man be found? *Vir bonus & sapiens, qualem vix repperit unum*

Millibus è multis hominum consultus Apollo.

A wise, a good man in a million,
Apollo consulted, could scarce find one.

A man is a miracle of himselfe, but *Trismegistus* addes, *Maximum miraculum homo sapiens*, a wise man is a wonder, *multi Thyrsigeri, pauci Bacchi.*

Alexander when he was presented with that rich & costly Casket of King *Darius*, & euery man aduised him what to put in it, hee referued it to put in *Homers* Workes, as the most precious Iewell of humane wit, and yet *Scaliger* vpbraides *Homers* Muse, *Nutricem insane sapientie*, a nurcery of madnes, impudent as a Court Lady, that blusheth at nothing. *Iacobus Mycillus*, *Gilbertus Cognatus*, *Erasmus*, and almost all posterity, admire *Lucians* luxuriant wit, & yet *Scaliger* reiects him in his censure, & calls him the *Cerberus* of the *Muses*. *Socrates* whom all the World so much magnified, is by *Lactantius* & *Theodoret* condemned for a foole. *Plutarch* extols *Seneca's* wit beyond all the *Greekes*, *nulli secundus*, yet *Seneca* saith of him, *when I would solace my selfe with a foole, I reflect vpon my selfe, and there I haue him.* *a* *Cardan* and *Saint Bernard* will admit none into this Catalogue of wise men, *b* but onely *Prophets* & *Apostles*; how they esteeme themselves, you haue heard before. We are worldly-wise, admire our selues, & seek for applause; but heare *S^d Bernard*, *quandò magis foras es sapiens, tantò magis intus stultus efficeris, &c. in omnibus es prudens, circa teipsum insipiens*: the more wise thou art to others, the more foole to thy selfe. I may not deny but that there is some folly approued, a Diuine fury, an Holy madnesse, euen a spirituall drunkennesse in the *Saints* of God themselves; *Sanctam insaniam Bernard* calls it, (though not as blaspheming *Vorstius*, would infer it as a passion incident to God himself, but familiar to good men, as that of *Paul*, *2 Cor.* he was a fool, &c. & *Rom. 9.* he wissheth himself to be anathematized for the. Such is that drunkennes which *Ficinus* speakes of, when the soule is eleuated & rauished with a diuine taste of that heavenly Nectar, which Poets deciphered by the sacrifice of *Dionysius*, and in this sense with the Poet *insanire lubet*, as *Austin* exhorts vs, *ad ebrietatem se quisq; paret*, lets all be mad and drunken. But wee commonly mistake, and goe beyond our commission, we reele to the opposite part, *h* wee are not capable of it, *i* and as he said of the *Greekes*, *Vos Graci semper pueri, vos Britanni, Galli, Germani, Itali, &c.* you are a company of fooles.

Proceed now à *partibus ad totum*, or from the whole to parts, & you shall find no other issue, the parts shall be sufficiently dilated in this following Preface. The whole must needs follow by a *Sorites* or Induction. Euery multitude is mad, *k bellua multorum capitum*, precipitate & rash without Iudgement, *stultum animal*, a roaring rout. *l* *Roger Bacon* proues it out of *Aristotle*, *Vulgus diuidi in oppositum contra sapientes, quod vulgò videtur verum, factum est*; that which the commonalty accompts true, is most part false, they are still opposite to wise men, but all the world is of this humor (*vulgus*) & thou thy selfe art de *vulgo*, one of the Commonalty; and he, and he, and so are all the rest; & therefore, as *Phocion* concludes, to be approued in nought you

a Hypercrit.
b Ut mulier aulica nullius pudens.

c Epist. 33. quādo fatuo delectari volo, non est longè querendus, me video.

d Lib. 1. de sap.

e Vide miser homo, quia totum est vanitas, totum stultitia, totum dementia, quicquid facis in hoc mundo, propter hoc solum quod propter Deum facis.

f Ser. de miser. hom.

g In 2. Platonis dial. 1. de insto.

h Dum iram & odium in Deo reuera ponit.

i Virg. 1. Ecl. 3.

k Ps. Inebriantur ab ubertate domus.

l In P. sal. 104. Austin.

m In Platonis Tim. sacerdos Aegyptius.

n Hor. vulgus insanum.

o Patet ea diuisione probabilis &c. ex Arist. Top. lib. 1. cap. 8. Rog. Bac. epist. de secret. art. & nat. cap. 8. non est iudicium in vulgo.

you say or doe, meeke Idiots and asses: begin them where you will, go backward or forward, choose out of the whole pack, winke & choose, you shall find them all alike, *neuer a barrell better herring.*

Copernicus, *Atlas* his successor, is of opinion, the Earth is a Planet, moues & shines to others, as the Moone doth to vs. *Digges*, *Gilbert*, *Keplerus* and others, defend this *Hypothesis* of his in sober sadnesse, and that the Moone is inhabited; if it be so, that the Earth is a Moone, then are wee all vertiginous & lunaticke within this sublunary Maze.

I could produce such arguments till darke night, but according to my promise, I will descend to particulars. This Melancholy extends it selfe not to men only, but euen to vegetall & sensible creatures; I speake not of those creatures which are *Saturnine*, Melancholy by nature, as Lead, & such like Minerals, or those Plants, Rue, Cypresse, &c. and Hellebor it selfe, of which *Agrippa* treats, Fishes, Birds & Beasts, Hares, Conies, Dorinice &c. Owles, Batters, Nightbirds, but that artificiall, which is perceiued in them all. Remove a plant, it will pine away, which is especially perceiued in Date trees, as you may read at large in *Constantines* husbandry, that Antipathy betwixt the Vine and the Cabbage, Vine & Oyle, &c. Put a bird in a cage, he will dye for fullnesse, or a beast in a penne, or take his young ones or companions from him, & see what effect it will cause: but who perceiues not these common passions of sensible creatures, feare, sorrow, &c. Of all other, dogges are most subiect to this malady, in so much that some hold they dreame as men doe, and through violence of Melancholy, run mad; I could relate many stories of dogges, that haue died for griefe, and pined away for losse of their masters, but they are common in euery Author.

Kingdomes, Prouinces, and Politicke Bodies are likewise sensible and subiect to this disease, as *P. Boterus* in his *Politickes* hath ptoned at large. *As in humane bodies* (saith he) *there be diuers alterations proceeding from humours, so there be many diseases in a Common-wealth, which doe as diuersly happen from severall distempers*, as you may easily perceiue by their severall Symptomes. For where you shall see the people ciuill, obedient to God & Princes, iudicious, peaceable and quiet, rich, fortunate, and flourish, to liue in peace, in vnity and concord, a Country well tilled, many faire built and populous Cities, *ubi incolæ nitent*, as old *Cato* said, the people are neat, polite and terse, *ubi bene, beateq. vivunt*, which our Politicians make the chiefe end of a Commonwealth; and which *Aristotle* *polit. lib. 3. cap. 4.* calles *Commune bonum*, that Country is free from Melancholy; As it was in *Italy* in the time of *Augustus*, now in *China*, now in many other flourishing kingdomes of *Europe*. But whereas you shall see poverty, barbarisme, beggery, plagues, warres, rebellions, seditions, mutinies, contentions, Idlenes, Riot, Epicurisme, the Land lye vtilld, waste, full of bogges, fennes, desarts, &c. Cities decayed, villages depopulated, & the people squalid, vgly, vnciuill; that Kingdome, that Country must needes be discontent and melancholy, hath a sick body, and had need to be reformed.

Now that cannot well be effected, till the causes of these maladies be first removed, which commonly proceed from their owne default, or some accidental inconuenience: as to be site in a bad cline, too farre North, sterill, in a barren place, as the desert of *Lybia*, deserts of *Arabia*, places void of waters;

De occult. Philos. lib. 1. ca. 27. & 19. eiusd. lib.

Lib. 10. cap. 4.

See Lipsius epist.

De politia illustrium lib. 1. cap. 4. ut in humanis corporibus varie accidunt mutationes corporis, animiq. sic in repub. &c.

Ubi reges philosophantur, Plato.

Lib. de re rust.

Uel publicam utilitatem.

^e Mantua ve
miseræ nimum
vicina Cremonæ.

^f Interdum à
feris, ut olim
Mauritania, &c.

^u Delius Hi-
spanie Anno
1604. Nemo

malus, nemo
pauper, optimus
quisq; atq; dissi-

simus. Pie, san-
ctèq; vivebant,
summèq; cum

veneratione, &
timore divino
cultui, sacrifiq;

rebus incumbe-
bant.

[†] Polit. l. 5. c. 3.
^x Boterus polit.

lib. 1. c. 1. c. 1. c. 1.
nempe princeps
rerum gerenda-

tum imperius,
segnis officans,
suisq; muneris

immemor, aut
fatuus est.

^y Non viget
res pub. cuius
caput infirma-

tur. Salubritas
his cap. 22.

^z See D. Flet-
chers relation,
and Alexander

Gaguinus hi-
story.

^{*} Abundans
omni divitiarū
affluētia, incolarū

multitudi-
ne, splendore ac
potentiā.

^a Not above
200 miles
in length, 60

in breadth, ac-
cording to
Adricomius.

^b Sabellicus. Si
quis incola ve-
tus, non agnos-

ceret, si quis pe-
regimus, inge-
miferet.

^c Polit. lib. 5.
g. 6. Crudelitas principum, impunitas scelerū, violatio legum, peculatus pecunie publicæ, &c. † Epist.

as those of *Lop* and *Belgian* in *Asia*, or in a bad ayre, as at *Alexandretta*, *Ban-
tam*, *Pisa*, *Durazzo*, &c. or in danger of the seas continuall inundations, as
in many places of the Low-Countries, and elsewhere, or neere some bad
neighbours, as *Hungarians* to *Turkes*, *Podolians* to *Tartars*, or almost any
bordering Countries, they live in feare still, and by reason of hostile incurfi-
ons are oftentimes left desolate. So are Citties by reason^f of warres, fires,
plagues, inundations, wild beasts, decay of trades, barred hauens, the Seas vi-
olence, as *Antwerpe* may witnesse of late, *Syracuse* of old, *Brundisium* in *I-
taly*, *Rhye* and *Dover* with vs, and many that at this day suspect the Seas fury
and rage, and labour against it as the *Venerians* to their inestimable charge.
But the most frequent maladies are such as proceed from themselves; as first
when Religion and Gods Service is neglected, they doe not feare God, obey
their Prince, where Atheisme, Epicurisme, Sacriledge, Simonie, &c. And all
such impieties are freely committed, that country cannot prosper. When
Abraham came to *Gerar*, and saw a bad land, hee said sure the feare of God
was not in that place. ^u *Cyprian Echoni* a Spanish Chorographer, about all
other Citties of *Spaine* commends *Barcino*, in which there was no begger, no
man poore, &c. but all rich and in good estate, and hee giues the reason, because
they were more Religious then their neighbours; why was *Israel* so often spoi-
led by their enemies, led into captivity, &c. but for their Idolatry, neglect of
Gods word, for sacriledge, even for one *Achans* fault? and what shall we ex-
pect that haue such multitudes of *Achans*, Church-robbers, simoniackall Pa-
trons, &c. how can they hope to flourish, that neglect diuine duties, that live
most part like Epicures?

Other common griuances are generally noxious to a body politike ob-
serued by [†] *Aristotle*, *Bodine*, *Boterus*, *Iunius*, *Arniseus*, &c. I will only point at
some of the chiefest. ^{*} *Impotentia guberandi*, ataxia, confusion, ill govern-
ment, which proceeds from vnskillfull, sloathfull, griping, couetous or tyran-
nising magistrates, when they are fooles, idiots, children, proud, wilfull, par-
tiall, vndiscreet, oppressors, giddy heads, tyrants, not able or vnfit to manage
such offices, ^y many noble Citties and flourishing Kingdomes by that meanes
are desolate, the whole body grones vnder such heads, and all the members
must needs be misaffected, as at this day those goodly Provinces in *Asia Mi-
nor*, &c. grone vnder the burden of a *Turkish* government, and those vast
kingdomes of *Muscovia*, *Russia*, ^z vnder a tyrannising Duke. Who euer heard
of more ciuill and rich populous countries then those of *Greece*, *Asia*, aboun-
ding with ^{*} all wealth, multitude of inhabitants, force, power, splendor, & mag-
nificence, and that miracle of countries, ^a the Holy land, that in so small a
compasse of ground could maintaine so many townes, Citties, produce so
many fighting men? *Egypt* another Paradise, now barbarous and desert, &
almost wast, by a despoticall government of an imperious *Turke*, that spoils
all wheresoeuer he comes, insomuch that an ^b Historian complaines, if an
old inhabitant should now see them, he would not knowe them; if a traveller, or
stranger, it would grieue his heart to behold them. Whereas *Aristotle* notes,
Nona exactiones, noua onera imposita, new burdens and exactions daily come
vpon them, they must needs be discontent, *hinc ciuitatum gemitus & plora-*
tus, as [†] *Tully* holds, hence come those complaints & teares of Citties poore,

miserable

miserable, rebellious, and desperate subjects, as *Hippolitus addes: and ^d as a iudicious countryman of ours observed not long since in a Suruaye of that great Dutchy of Tuscany, that the people liued much griued & discontent, as appeared by their manifold and manifest complaining in that kinde. That the state was like a sicke body which had lately taken Physicke, whose humours are not yet well settled, and weakned so much by purging, that nothing was left but Adelanchole.

Whereas the Princes and Potentates are immoderate in lust, Hypocrites, Epicures, of no religion, but in shew. *Quid hypocrisis fragilium?* what so brittle and vnshure, what sooner subverts their estates then wandering and raging lust, on their subjects wiues, daughters, to say no worse. They that should *facem praferre*, lead the way to all vertuous actions, they are the ring leaders oftentimes of all mischief and dissolute courses, and by that meanes their Countries are plagued, ^e and they themselves often ruined, banished or murdered by conspiracy of their subjects, as Sardanapalus was, Dionysius Iunior, Helioabalus, Periander, Pisistratus, Tarquinius, Timocrates, Childericus, Appianus Claudius, Andronicus, Galeacius Scorsia, Alexander Medices, &c.

Whereas the Princes or great men are malicious, enuious, factious, ambitious, emulators, they teare a commonwealth asunder, as so many Guelphes, & Gebellines, disturbe the quietnesse of it, ^f & with mutuall murders let it bleed to death, our histories are too full of such barbarous inhumanities, and the miseries that issue from them.

Whereas they bee like so many horse-leeches, hungry, griping, corrupt, & couetous, *auaritia mancipia*, rauenous as Wolves, or such as prefer their priuate before the publike good. For as ^h he said long since, *res priuata publicis semper offecere*. Or whereas they be illiterate, ignorant, Emperickes in policy, *ubi deest facultas, et virtus*, (*Arist. pol. 5. cap. 8.*) & *scientia*, wise only by inheritance, and in authority by birthright, there must needs bee a fault, ⁱ a great defect: because as an ^k old Philosopher affirms, such men are not alwaies fit. Of an infinite number, few alone are Senators, and of those few, fewer good, and of that small number of honest good and noble men, few that are learned, wise, discreet and sufficient, able to discharge such places, it must needs turne to the confusion of a state.

For as the ^l Princes are, so are the people, *Qualis Rex talis grex*.

For Princes are the glasse, the schoole, the booke,
where subjects eyes doe learne, doe read, doe looke.

Velotius & citius nos

Corrumpunt vitiorum exempla domestica, magnis

Cum subeant animos auctoribus

their examples are soonest followed, vices entertained. If they be prophane, irreligious, lasciuious, riotous, Epicures factious, couetous, ambitions, illiterate, so will the Commons most part be, idle vnthrifts, prone to lust, drunkards, & therefore poore and needy, (*h* multa solum summi & pauperum, for pouerty begers sedition & villany) vpon all occasions ready to mutine and rebell, discontent still, complaining, murmuring, grudging, apt to all outrages, thefts, treasons, murders, innouations, in debt, coseners, thifters, outlawes, *Proflagata fama ac visa*. It

ipfi principes, sed etiam infundunt in civitatem, plusq; exemplo quam peccato nocent. Cic. 1. de legibus. [†] *Iuven. Sat. 14.* [¶] *Pauperes vero seditionem giunt, & maleficia.* Arist. polit. 2. cap. 7.

[†] De increm. urb. cap. 20. subditi miseri, rebelles, desperati, &c.

[¶] R. Dallington, 1596. conclusio libri.

[¶] Boterius lib. 19 cap. 4. polit. Quo fit ut aut rebus desperatis exulent, aut conuersione subditorum crudelissime tandem trucidentur.

[¶] Antiqua odium & cedibus abbas, &c.

[¶] Lucra ex malis, secleratisq; causis.

[¶] Salust.

[†] For most part we mistake the name of Politicians, accompting such as read Machiavel and Tacitus, great statesmen, that can supplant & overthrow their adversaries, enrich themselves, get honors, dissemble, but what is this to the bene esse, or preservation of a Commonwealth?

[¶] Imperium sumpte fronte corrumpit.

[¶] Apul. Prim.

[¶] Flor. Ex innumerabilibus pauci Senatores genere nobiles, & consularibus pauci boni, & bonis adhuc pauci eruditi.

[¶] Non solum uia concipiant

^m Saluti. Sem-
per in civitate
quibus opes mul-
te sunt bonis
invident, vetera
odere, nova ex-
optant ad sua-
rum rerum mu-
tari omnia pe-
runt.

ⁿ De legibus
profligote in re-
pub. discipline
est inditum,
Iurisperitorum
numerus, & me-
dicorum copia.

^o In pref. Iud.
Iuris. Multipli-
cantur nunc in
aeris ut locustae,
non patie pa-
rentes, sed pestes,
pestimi homines
maiore ex arie
superciliosi, con-
tentiosi, &c. Ici-
dum latrocinium
exercent.

^p Dusa epid.
loquenteia tur-
ba, vultures to-
gati.

^r Buck. Arge-
nis.

^s Turcan. Iulti-
dorus oraca-
lum civitatis.
Tully.

^t Lib. 3.
† Lib. 1. de rep.
Gallorum incre-
dibilem repub.
perniciem asse-
runt.

^u Polycrat. lib.
† Is stipe con-
tentus, & hi af-
fes integros sibi
multiplicari in-
bent.

^v Plus accipiunt
tacere, quam
nos loqui.

^x Totius in iusti-
tie nulla capita-
lior, quam eorū
quicquid maxi-
me decipiunt, ad-
agunt, ut boni
viri esse vide-
antur.

^y Nam quacun-
que modo cause
procedat hoc, semper agitur ut loculi impleantur, etsi avaritia nequit satiare.

^z Camden in Norfolk: qui si nihil sit litum ē iuris a-
pibus, lites tamen ferere callent.

was an old ^m Politicians Aphorisme, *They that are poore and bad, envie rich, hate good men, abhorre the present government, wish for a new, and would haue all turned topsie turvie.* When *Catiline* rebelled in *Rome*, hee got a company of such debothed rogues together, they were his familiars and coadiutors, and such haue been your rebels most part in all ages, *Iack Cade*, *Tom Straw*, *Kette* and his companions.

Where they be generally riotous, and contentious, where there be many discords, many lawes, many law suits, many lawyers, and many Physitians, it is a manifest signe of a distempered Melancholy state, as ⁿ *Plato* long since maintained: for where such kinde of men swarme, they will make worke for them selues, and that body Politicke diseased, which was otherwise sound. A generall mischiefe in these our times, an vn sensible plague, and neuer so many of them: which are now multiplied (saith ^o *Mat. Geraldus*, a Lawyer him- selfe) as so many locusts, not the parents but the plagues of the country, and for the most part a supercilious, bad, conetous, litigious generation of men. *P. Crum- mulga natio, &c.* A purse-milking nation, a clamorous company, gowned vultures, ^{*} *qui ex iniuriā vivunt & sanguine ciuium*, theeves and Semina- rics of discord; that take vpon them to make peace, but are indeed the very disturbers of our peace, a company of irreligious Harpies, seraping, griping catchpoles (I meane our common hungry Pettefoggers, *rabulas forenses*, loue and honour in the meane time, all good lawes, and worthy Lawyers, that are as so many ^q Oracles, & pilots of a well gouern'd Commonwealth) Without Art, without Iudgement, that doe more harme, as ^r *Liuie* said, *Quam bella externa, fames, morbine*, then sicknesse, warres, hunger, diseases: and cause a most incredible destruction of a commonwealth, saith [†] *Sesellius*, a famous Ciuilian sometimes in *Paris*. As *Ivie* doth by an Oke, imbrace it so long, vntill it hath got the heart out of it, so doe they by such places they in- habit, no counsell at all, no iustice, no speech to be had *nisi eum premulseris*, he must be fed still, or else he is as mute as a fish, better open an Oyster with- out an knife. *Expertus credes* (saith [†] *Salisburiensis*) *in manus eorum milles inci- di*, & *Charon immitis qui nulli pepercit vnquam*, his longē clementior est. I speake out of experience, I haue beene a thousand times amongst them, & *Charon* himselfe is more gentle then they, [†] *he is contented with his single pay, but multiply still, they are neuer satisfied.* besides they haue damnificas linguas, as he tearmes it, *nisi funibus argenteis vincias*, they must be feed to say nothing, ^u and get more to hold their peace, then we can to say our best. They will speake their clients faire, and inuite them to their tables, but as he follows it, ^x of all iniustice there is none so pernicious as that of theirs, which when they deceaue most, will seeme to be honest men. They take vpon them to bee peace- makers, & fouere causas humilium, to helpe them to their right, *patrocinantur afflictis*, y but all is for their owne good, *ut loculos pleniorum exhauriant*, they plead for poore men gratis, but they are but as a stale to catch others. If there be no iarre, ^z they can make a iarre, out of the law it selfe, find still some quirk or other, to set men at oddes, and continue causes so long, *lusstra aliquot*, I know not how many yeares before the cause is heard, & when 'tis iudged & determined, by reason of some trickes and errors, it is as fresh to beginne, af-

ter twice 7 yeares sometimes, as it was at first; & so they protract time, delaye
 futes, till they haue enriched themselves, and beggered their clients. ^a *Simle-*
rus complains amongst the *Swissers* of the Advocats in his time, that when
 they should make an end, they begin controuersies and protract their causes
 many yeares, perswading them their title is good, till their patrimonies be consu-
 med, and that they haue spent more in seeking then the thing is worth, or they
 shall get by the recovery. So that he that goes to law, as the proverbe is, ^b holds
 a woulfe by the eares, or as a sheepe in a storme runnes for shelter to a brier,
 if he prosecute his cause he is consumed, if he surcease his suit he loseth all,
 what difference? They had wont heretofore, saith *Austin*, to end matters, per
 communes arbitros; and so in *Switzerland* wee are informed by ^d *Simlerus*
 they had some common arbitrators, or daiesmen in euery Towne, that made a
 friendly composition betwixt man and man, and he much wonders at their honest
 simplicity, that could keepe peace so well, and end such great causes by that means.
 At [†] *Fex* in *Africke*, they haue neither Lawyers nor Aduocates, but if there
 be any cōtrouersies amongst them, both parties, plaintife & defendant come
 to their *Alfakins* or chiefe iudge, and at once, without any farther appeales, or
 pittifull delays, the cause is heard and ended. Our forefathers, as ^e a worthie
 Corographer of ours obserues, had wont *Pauculis cruculis aureis*, with a few
 golden crosses and lines in verse, make all conueiances, assurances; and such
 was the candor and integrity of succeeding ages, that a Deed (as I haue oft
 seene) to conuay a whole Manour, was *implicite* contained in some twenty
 lines, or thereabouts. But now many skinnes of parchment will scarce serue
 turne, he that buyes & sells a house, must haue a house full of writings, there
 be so many circumstances, so many words, such Tautologicall repetitions of
 all particulars (to avoid euillation they say) but we finde by our wofull ex-
 perience, that to subtile wits it is a cause of much more contention and va-
 riencie, and scarce any conveyance so accurately penned by one, which ano-
 ther will not finde a cracke in, or cauill at, if any one word be misplaced, any
 little error, all is disanulled. That which is law to day is none to morrowe,
 that which is sound in one mans opinion, is most faulty to another; that in
 conclusion, here is nothing amongst vs but contention and confusion, wee
 bandy one against another: And that which long since [†] *Plutarch* complai-
 ned of them in *Asia*, may be verified in our times. These men here assembled,
 come not to sacrifice to their Gods, to offer *Iupiter* their first frutes, or merri-
 ments to *Bacchus*; but an yearely disease exasperating *Asia* hath brought them
 hither, to make an end of their Controuersies and Lawfutes. 'Tis multitudo per-
 denitium & pereuntium, a destructive rout, that seek one anothers ruine. Such
 most part are our ordinary Suters, Termers, Clients, new stirres euery day,
 mistakes, errors, cauils, and at this present, as I haue heard in some one court,
 I know not how many 1000 causes: no person free, no title almost good,
 with such bitternesse in following, so many slights, procrastinations, delays,
 forgery, such cost, (for infinite summes are inconsideratly spent) violence &
 malice, I know not by whose fault, Lawyers, Clients, Lawes, both or all: but
 as *Paul* reprehended the *Corinthians* long since, I may more appositely in-
 ferre now: There is a fault amongst you, and I speake it to your shame, Is there not
 a *Wiseman* amongst you, to iudge betweene his brethren, but that a brother

^a Lib 2. de Hel-
 vet. repub. non
 explicandis, sed
 mouenda con-
 trouersia opera
 dant, ut lites
 in multos annos
 extrahantur
 summa cum mo-
 lestia utriusq;
 partis. & dum
 interea patrimo-
 nia exhauiantur.

^b Lucum auri-
 bus tenent.

^c Hor.

^d Lib de Hel-
 vet. repub. Indi-
 ces quocunq; pa-
 go constituunt
 qui amica ali-
 qua transactione
 si fieri possit, li-
 res tollant. Ego
 maiorum nostror-
 um simplicita-
 tem admittor;
 qui sic causas
 grauissimas
 composuerint,
 &c.

[†] *Clenard* lib. 2
 epist. Si que con-
 trouersie a traq;
 pars iudicem a-
 dit, u semel &
 simul rem tran-
 sigit, audit: nec
 quid sit appella-
 tio, lachrymosaq;
 more sciunt.

^e *Camden*.

[†] Lib. maior
 morbo corp. an a-
 nimi. Hi non
 conveniunt ut
 diis more mai-
 rum sacra faci-
 ant, non ut in
 primitias offe-
 rant, aut *Bac-
 cho* commessatio-
 nes, sed anniver-
 sarius morbus
 exasperans *Asia*
 hos eos cogit,
 ut contentionem
 hic peragant.

[†] *Cor.* 6. 5. 6.

[‡] *Stulti quando demum sapientia.* *Psal.* 49. 3.

* Of which Text read two learned Sermons, * so intituled, and preached by our Religious Professor D^r Prideaux, printed at London by Felix Kingston 1621.

^b *Sepius bona materia cessat sine artifice. Sabellius de Germaniâ Si quis videret Germaniam urbibus hodie exultant, non diceret ut olim tristem cultum, asperam celos, terram informem.*

ⁱ By his Maiesties Attorney general there.

^k As Zeipland, Bempster in Holland &c.

^l From Gaunt to Sluce, from Bruges to the Sea, &c.

^m Ortelius, Botesius, Mercator, Meteranus &c.

ⁿ *Jam inde non belli gloria, quâ humanitatis cultus inter florentissimas orbis Christiani gentes imprimis floruit, Camden. Brit. de Normannia.*

^o Geog. Kecker. *Tam hieme quam estate intrepidè fuleant Oceanum, & duo illorum duces non minore audaciâ quam fortunâ totius orbem terrarum circumnavigarunt. Amphitheatro Botesius.*

^q A Fertile soile, good Aire, &c. Tin,

goes to law with a brosher. And * Christs Counsell concerning Law-sutes, was neuer so fit to be inculcated, as in this age. † Agree with thine adversary quickly &c. Mat. 5. 25.

I could repeat many such particular grieuances, which must disturbe a body politicke; to shut vp all in brieft, where good gouernment is, prudent and wise Princes, there all things thrive & prosper, peace & happinesse is in that land, where it is otherwise, all things are vgly to beholde, inculte, barbarous, vnciuill, a Paradise is turned to a wilderness. This Island amongst the rest, our next neighbours the French and Germanes, may be a sufficient witnesse, that in a short time by that prudent policy of the Romanes, was brought from barbarisme; see but what *Cæsar* reports of vs, and *Tacitus* of those old Germanes, they were once as vnciuill as they in *Virginia*, yet by planting of Colonies, & good Lawes, they became from barbarous outlawes, to be full of rich and populous cities, as now they are, and most flourishing kingdomes. Euen so might *Virginia*, and those wild *Irish* haue been ciuiliized long since, if that order had beene heeretofore taken, which now begins of planting Colonies &c. I haue read a ⁱ Discourse, printed Anno 1612. *Discovering the true causes, why Ireland was neuer intirely subdued or brought vnder obedience to the Crowne of England, vntill the beginning of his Maiesties happy raigne.* But if his reasons were thoroughly scanned by a iudicious Politician, I am afraid he would not altogether be approued, but that it would turne to the dishonour of our Nation, to suffer it to ly so long waste. Yea, & if some traueiler should see (to come neerer home) those rich vnited Prouinces of *Holland*, *Zeland*, &c. ouer against vs; those neat Cities & populous Townes, full of most industrious Artificers, ^k so much land recovered from the Sea, and so painefully preserued by those Artificiall inventions, ^l so many navigable channels from place to place, made by mens hands, &c. and on the other side so many 1000 acres of our sene lie drowned, our Cities thinn, and those vile, poore, and vgly to behold in respect of theirs, our trades decayed, our still running riuers stopped, and that beneficiall vse of transportation, wholly neglected, so many Hauens void of Ships & Towns, so many Parkes and Forrests for pleasure, barren Heaths, so many Villages depopulated &c, I thinke sure he would find some fault.

I may not deny but that this Nation of ours, doth bene audire apud exteros, is a most noble, a most flourishing kingdome, by common consent of all ^o Geographers, ⁱ Historians, and hath many such honorable Elogiums. And as a learned Countryman of ours right well hath it, ⁿ *Euer since the Normans first comming into England, this our Country, both for military masters, and all other of ciuility, hath bene paralleled with the most flourishing kingdomes of Europe, and our Christian world, a blessed, a rich Country, and one of the fortunate Isles: And for some things preferred before all other Countries, for expert Seamen, our laborious discoueries, Art of Navigation, true Merchants, they carry the bell away from all other Nations, euen the Portugals & Hollanders themselves, & without all feare, saith Botesius, furrowing the Ocean, winter and Sommer, and two of their Captaines, with no lesse valor then fortune, haue sailed round about the world.* Wee haue besides many particular blessings, which our Neighbours want, the Gospel truly preached, Church

Lead, Wooll, Saffron, &c.

Discipline established, long peace and quietnesse, free from exactions, for-
raine feares, invasions, domesticall seditions, well manured, & fortified by Art
and Nature, and now most happy in that fortunate vnion of England & Scot-
land, which our fore-fathers haue much laboured to effect, and desired to
see: But in which we excell all others, a wise, learned, religious King, another
Numa, a second *Augustus*, a true *Iosiah*, most worthy Senators, a learned
Cleargy, an obedient Commonalty, &c. Yet amongst many Roses, some
Thistles grow, some bad weeds & enormities, which much disturb the peace
of this Body politicke, and Eclipse the honor & glory of it, fit to be rooted
out, and withall speed to be reformed.

The first is Idleness, by reason of which, we haue many swarmes of rogues
and beggers, the cues, drunkards, & discontented persons (whom *Lycurgus*
in *Plutarch* calles *morbos reipub.* the boyles of a Common-wealth) many
poore people in all our Townes, *Civitates ignobiles*, as *Polidore* calls them,
base Cities, inglorious, poore, small, rare in sight, and thinne of inhabitants.
Our land is fertile, we may not deny, full of all good things, and why doth it
not then abound with Cities, as well as *Italy*, *France*, *Germany*, the Low-
countrie? because their policy hath bin otherwise, and wee are not so thrif-
ty, circumspect, industrious; Idlenesse is the *malus Genus* of our Nation. For
as *Boterus* iustly argues, fertility of a Country is not enough, except Art &
Industry be ioyned vnto it, and according to *Aristotle*, riches are either na-
turall or artificiall; naturall are good land, faire mines, &c. artificiall are ma-
nufactures, coines, &c. Many kingdomes are fertile, but thin of inhabitants,
as that Dutchy of *Pedemont* in *Italy*, which *Leander Albertus* so much mag-
nifies, for Corne, Wine, Fruits, &c. yet nothing neere so populous as those
which are more barren. England, saith he, (*London onely excepted*) hath ne-
uer a populous City, and yet a fruitfull Country. I finde 46 Cities and walled
Townes in *Alsacia*, a small Prouince in *Germany*, 50 Castles, an infinite
number of Villages, no ground idle, no nor rocky places, or toppes of hilles
are vtillied, as *Munster* informeth vs. In *Greichgea* a small Territory on
the *Necker*, 24 Italian miles ouer, I read of 20 walled townes, innumerable
villages, each one containing 150 houses most part, besides Castles, and no-
blemens Palaces. I obserue in *Turinge* in *Dutchland*, (twelue miles ouer by
their scale) 12 Counties, and in them 144 cities, 2000 villages, 144 townes,
250 Castles. In *Bavaria* 34 Cities, 46 Townes, &c. *Portugallia interamnus*,
a small plot of ground, hath 1460 Parishes, 130 Monasteries, 200 Bridges.
Malta a barren Island, yeeldes 20000 Inhabitants. But of all the rest I ad-
mire *Lues Guicciardines* Relations of the Low-countries. *Holland* hath 26
Cities; ^c 400 great villages. *Zeland* 10 cities, 102 pages. *Brabant* 26 cities,
102 parishes. *Flanders* 28 cities, 90 townes, 1154 villages, besides Abbies,
Castles, &c. The Low-countries generally haue three cities at least for one
of ours, & those farre more populous & rich, and what is the cause, but their
industry and excellency in all manner of trades? Their commerce, which is
maintained by a multitude of Tradesmen, so many excellent channels made
by Art, and opportune hauens, to which they build their cities: All which
we haue in like measure, or at least may haue. But their chiefeest Lodestone,
which drawes all maner of commerce and marchandize, which maintaines
their present estate, is not fertility of soyle, but industry that enricheth them,
the

^r Tota Britan-
nia unica velut
arx. *Boterus*.

^r Lib. 1. hist.

^r Increment.
urb. lib. 1. cap. 9.

^r Anglia, excepto
to Londino, nulla
est ciuitas me-
morabilis, licet
en natio rerum
omnium copia
abundet.

^r Cosmog. l. 3.
cap. 119. Villa-
rum non est nu-
merus, nullus lo-
cus otiosus aut
incultus.

^r Chytren oras.
edit. Francof.
1583.

^r Maginus
Gengr.

^r Ortelius e va-
seo. & Per. de
Medina.

^r An hun-
dred families
in each.

the gold mines of *Peru*, or *Nova Hispania* may not compare with them. They haue neither gold nor siluer of their owne, wine nor oyle, or scarce any corne growing in those vnited Prouinces, little or no wood, Tinne, Lead, Iron, Silke, Wooll, or any stufte almost, or any mettle; and yet *Hungary*, *Transilvania*, that brag of their mines, fertile *England* cannot compare with them. I dare boldly say, that neither *France*, *Tarentum*, *Apulia*, *Lombardy*, *Italy*, *Valence* in *Spaine*, or that pleasant *Andalusia*, with their excellent fruits, wine and oyle, two harvests, no nor any part of *Europe* is so flourishing, so rich, so populous, so full of good shippes, of well built cities, so abounding with all things necessary for the vse of man. 'Tis our *Indies* an Epitome of *China*, and all by reason of their industry and commerce. Industry is a Lodestone to draw all good things, that alone makes Countries flourish, Cities populous, * and will enforce by reason of much manure, which necessarily followes a barren soyle, to be fertile and good.

* Populi multitudine diligenti cultura fecundat solum. Boterius lib. 8. cap. 3.

Tell me Politicians, why is that fruitfull *Palestina*, noble *Greece*, *Egypt*, *Asia Minor*, so much decayed, and false from that they were? The ground is the same; but the gouernment is altered, the people are growne slothfull, idle, their good husbandry and industry is decayed. May a man belecue that which *Aristotle* in his Politicks, *Pausanias*, *Stephanus*, *Sophianus*, *Gerbelinus* relate of old *Greece*? I find of old 70 cities in *Epyrus* ouerthrowne by *Paulus Emilius*, a goodly Prouince in times past, † now left desolate of cities, and almost of all inhabitants. 62 Cities in *Macedonia* in *Strabo's* time, I find 30 in *Laconia*, but now scarce so many villages, saith *Gerbelinus*. Where are those 4000 cities of *Egypt*, those 100 cities in *Crete*? are they now come to two? What saith *Pliny* of old *Italy*? *Bosius* and *Machianel*, both grant them now nothing neere so populous, and full of cities as in the time of *Augustus*, and if we may belecue * *Livy*, not then so populous as of old; they mustered 70 legions in former times, which now the knowne world will scarce yeeld. *Alexander* built seuentie cities in a short space for his part, our *Sultans* and *Turkes* demolish twice as many, and leaue all desolate. Many will not belecue that our *Island* of great *Brittaine* is now more populous then euer it was; but let them read *Bede*, *Leland*, and others, and it most flourished in the *Saxons* *Heptarchy*, and in the *Conquerors* time, was farre better inhabited, then at this day. See that *Domesday* book, & shew me those thousands of parishes, which are now decayed, cities ruined, villages depopulated &c. The lesser the Territory is, commonly the richer it is. *Parvus sed bene cultus ager*. As those *Athenian*, *Lacedemonian*, *Arcadian*, *Alban*, *Sycionian*, *Messenian*, &c. commonwealths of *Greece* make ample prooffe, As those Imperiall cities & free states of *Germany* may witnes, those Cantons of *Switzers*, *Rheti*, *Grisons*, *Wallons*, *Tuscany*, *Pedemont*, *Mantua*, *Venice* in *Italy*, *Raguse*, &c.

† Hodie urbes desolantur, & magna ex parte incolis destituitur. Gerbelius descrip. Græcia.

* Lib. 7. 70 olim legiones scripte dicuntur: quas vires hodie.

† Polib. lib. 3. c. 8.

* For dying of cloaths, and dressing, &c.

† Valerius lib. 3. cap. 1.

That Prince therefore, as *Boterius* aduise, that will haue a rich country, and faire cities, let him get good trades, priuiledges, painfull Inhabitants, artificers, and suffer no rude matter vnwrought, as Tin, Iron, Wooll, Lead, &c. to be transported out of his country. * A thing in part seriously attempted amongst vs, but not effected. And because industry of men, and multitude of trades so much auails to the ornament and enriching of a kingdome; those ancient † *Masilians* would admit no man into their city, that had not some trade. *Selym* the first *Turkish* Emperour, procured a thousand good artificers

to be brought from *Tauris* to *Constantinople*. The *Polanders* indented with *Henry Duke of Anjou*, their new chosen King, to bring with him an hundred families of Artificers into *Poland*. *James* the first in *Scotland* (as * *Buchanan* writes) sent for the best Artificers he could get in *Europe*, and gaue them great rewards, to teach his subiects their fenerall trades. *Edward* the third, our most renowned King, to his eternall memory, brought cloathing first into this Iland, transporting some families of Artificers from *Gaunt* hither. How many goodly cities could I reckon vp, that thrue wholly by trade, where thousands of inhabitants liue singular well by their fingers ends; as *Florence* in *Italy*, by making cloath of gold: great *Millan* by like, and all curious workes: *Arras* in *Artois*, by those faire hangings; many cities in *Spain*, many in *France*, *Germany*, haue none other maintenance, especially those within the Land. † *Mecha* in *Arabia Petraea*, stands in a most vnfruitfull country, that wants water, amongst rockes (as *Vertomannus* describes it) and yet it is a most elegant and pleasant city, by reason of the trafficke of the East & West. *Ormuz* in *Persia* is a most famous Mart towne, and hath nought els but the opportunity of the hauen to make it flourish. *Corinth* a noble city, (*lumen Gracia* Tully calls it) the eye of *Greece*, by reason of *Cenchreas* & *Lechæus* those excellent Ports, drew all that traffick of the *Ionian* and *Aegean* seas to it; and yet the country about it was curua & superciliosa, as * *Strabo* termes it, rugged and harsh. We may say the same of *Athens*, *Aegium*, *Thebes*, *Sparta*, & most of those townes in *Greece*. *Noremberge* in *Germany* is sit- ted in a most barren soyle, yet a noble imperiall city, by the sole industry of Artificers, and cunning trades, they draw the riches of most Countries to them, so expert in manufactures, that as *Salust* long since gaue out of the like, *sedem animæ in extremis digitis habent*, their soule, or *intellectus agens*, was placed in their fingers ends; and so of *Basil*, *Spire*, *Cambray*, *Frankfurt*, &c. It is almost incredible to speake what ^a *Mat. Riccius* the Iesuit, and some others, relate of the industry of the *Chinaes* most populous Countries, not a beggar or an idle person to be seene, and how by that meanes they prosper and flourish. We haue the same meanes, able bodies, pliant wits, matter of all sorts, *Wooll*, *Flaxe*, *Iron*, *Tin*, *Lead*, *Wood*, &c. Many excellent subiects to worke vpon, only industry is wanting. In most of our cities, some few excepted, like † *Spanish* loyterers, we liue wholly by tipling, Innes and Alehouses, Malting are their best ploughs, their greatest trafficke to sell Ale. ^b *Meteran*, and some others object to vs, that we are no whit so industrious as the *Hol- landers*: *Mannall trades* (saith he) which are more curious or troublesome, are wholly exercised by strangers, they dwell in a Sea full of fish, but they are so idle, they will not catch so much as shall serue their owne turnes, but buy it of their neighbours.

Pudet hac opprobria nobis,

Et dici potuisse, & non potuisse refelli.

I am ashamed to heare this objected by strangers, and know not how to answer it. Amongst our Townes there is only ^c *London* that beares the face of a city, ^d *Epitome Britannie*, a famous *Emporium*, second to none beyond seas, a noble Mart: But *sola crescit, decrescuntibus alijs*; and yet in my slender iudgment, defectiue in many things. The rest (^e some few excepted) are in

vicinis emere coguntur. ^c Vrbis animæ numeroq; potens & robore gentis. *Scaliger*. ^d *Camden*. ^e *Yorke*, *Bristow*, *Nor-*
wich, *Worcester*, &c.

* *Hist. Scot. lib*
10. *Magnis pro-*
positis premijs,
ut Scoti ab his e-
dicerentur.

† *Munster. Ces-*
mog. lib. 5. cap.
74. *Agro immu-*
retum infecun-
dissimo, aque
indigente inter
saxeta, urbs ta-
men elegantissi-
ma, et Orientis
negotiationes, et
Occidentis.

* *Lib. 8. Geogr.*
ob asperum situm.

* *Lib. edit. à Ni-*
cholao Tregaud.
Belga. An. 1616.

† *Vbi nobiles*
probrî loco ha-
bent artem, ali-
quam proficere.
Clenard. epist.
lib. 1.

^b *Lib. 13. Belg.*
hist. Non cam
laboriosi ut Bel-
ga, sed ut Hi-
spani otiores
vitam, ut pluri-
mum otiosam
agentes, artes
manuarie quæ
plurimum ha-
bent in se laboris
& difficultatis
maiorisq; re-
quirunt indu-
striam, et peregrini
et exteris
exercantur, ha-
bitant in pisco-
ssimo mari, in-
terea tantum
non piscantur
quantum Insule
sufficerit, sed à

meane

meane estate, poore and full of beggers, by reason of their decayed trades, idlenesse of their inhabitants, riot, which had rather beg or loyter, & be ready to starue, then worke.

¹ Mr Gainsfords argument, because Gentlemen dwell with vs in the country villages, our cities are lesse, is nothing to the purpose, put 300 or 400 Villages in a Shire, and euery Village yeeld a Gentleman, what is 400 families to encrease one of our cities, or to contend with theirs, which stand thicker; and whereas ours usually consist of 7000, theirs consist of 40000 inhabitants.

† Mancipii locuples eget aris Cappadocum rex Hor.

‡ Maxima pars victus in carne consistit. Polyd. lib. i. biff.

§ Refrenate moribus licentiam, pauciores alantur ocio, redintegretur agricolatio, lanificium, instauratur ut sit honestum negotium quo se exerbeat otiosa illa turba. Nisi his malis medentur, frustra exercent iustitiam. Mor.

Vtop. lib. i.

¶ Regie dignitatis non est exercere imperium in mendicos, sed in opulentos. Non est regni secus, sed carceris esse custos. Idem. † Cosmog. 3 lib. cap. 5.

I can not deny, but that something may be said in defence of our cities, & that they are not so faire built, rich, thicke sited, populous, as in some other countries, besides the reasons Cardan gines *Subtil. lib. 11*. we want Wine & Oyle, their two Haruests, wee dwell in a colder Ayre, and therefore must a little more liberally feed of flesh, as all Northerne Countries doe: our provision will not therefore extend to the maintenance of so many: yet notwithstanding we haue matter of all sorts, an open Sea for traffick, as well as the rest, goodly hauens. And how can we excuse our negligence, our riot, drunkenesse, &c. and such enormities that follow it? Wee haue excellent Lawes enacted, you wil say, seuerer statutes, houses of correction, &c. to small purpose it seemes, it is not houses will serue, but cities of correction, our trades generally ought to be reformed, wants supplied. In other Countries they haue the same grieuances, I confesse, but that doth not excuse vs, † wants, defects, enormities, idle drones, tumults, discords, contention, Law-sutes, many lawes made against the, to repress those innumerable brawles & Law-sutes, excesse in apparell, diet, decay of tillage, † especially against rogues, beggars, Egyptian vagabonds (so termed at least) which haue † swarmed alouer *Germ. any, France, Italy, Poland*, as you may read in † *Munster, Cranzius, and Aventinus*; As those *Tartars* and *Arabians* at this day doe in all those Easterne countries; yet such hath beene the iniquity of all ages, as it seemes to small purpose. *Nemo in nostra civitate mendicus esto*, saith *Plato*, he will haue them purged from a commonwealth, ^m as a bad humour from the body, they are like so many vlcers and boyles, and must bee cured before the melancholy body can be eased. What *Carolus Magnus*, the *Chinese*, the *Spaniards*, Duke of *Saxony*, and many other states haue decreed in this case, read *Arniscus cap. 19. Boetius lib. 8. cap. 2. Orosius de rebus gest. Eman. lib. 11*. When a country is ouerstored with people; as a pasture is oft ouerlaid with cattle, they had wont in former times to disburden themselves, by sending out Colonies, or by warres, as those old *Romans*, or by imploying them at home about some publike buildings, as bridges, rode wayes, for which those *Romans* were famous in this Iland: As *Augustus Caesar* did in *Rome*, the *Spaniards* in their *Indian Mines*: ⁿ Aqueducts, bridges, hauens, those stupend workes of *Traian*, *Claudius* at † *Ostium*, *Eucinus lacus*, that *Piræum* in *Athens*, made by *Themistocles*, *Amphitheatrum* of curious marble, as at *Verona*, *Cinias Philippi* and *Heraclea* in *Thrace*, those *Appian* and *Flaminian* wayes, prodigious workes may witnesse: and rather then they should be * idle, as those ^o *Egyptian Pharaoes*, *Mæris* & *Sesostrius* did, to task their subiects to build vnnecessary pyramides, obeliskes, labyrinthes, channels, lakes, to diuert them from rebellion, riot, drunkenesse, † *quo scilicet alantur, & ne vagando laborare desuescant*.

^k Colluvies hominum mirabiles excolli sole, immundi velle, sedi visu, furtis imprimis acres, &c. ^l Seneca. Haud minus turpia principi multa supplicia, quam medico multa funera. ^m Ac pituitam & bilem à corpore, (11. de leg.) omnes vult exterminari. ⁿ See *Lipsius Admiranda*. † De quo *Suetonius* in *Claudio*, & *Plinius* cap. 36. ^o *Amasis Egypti rex*, legem promulgavit, ut omnes subditi quotannis rationem redderent unde viverent. * Ut egestati simul & ignavia occurratur, opificia condiscantur, tenues subleventur. *Boetius lib. 6. cap. 2. nam. 670.* † *Buscaldus discursu polit. cap. 2.*

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Another eye-fore is that want of conduct and navigable Riuers, a great blemish, as P *Boterus*, & *Hippolitus à Collibus*, and other Politicians hold; if it be neglected in a Common-wealth. Admirable cost and charge is bestowed in the Low-countries on this behalfe, in the Dutchy of *Millan*, Territory of *Padua*, in *France*, *Italy*, *China*, and so likewise about corrivations of waters to moisten and refresh barren grounds, to dreane fennes, bogges & moores. *Massinissa* made many inward parts of *Barbary*, and *Numidia* in *Africke*, before his time, incult and horrid, fruitfull and battable by this meanes. Great industry is generally vsed all ouer those Easterne countries in this kind, especially in *Egypt* about *Babylon*, and *Damascus*, as *Vertomannus*, and * *Gotar-dus Arthurs* relate; about *Bercelona*, *Segouia*, and many other places of *Spain*: by reason of which, their soyle is much improued, and infinite commodities arise to the Inhabitants. The *Turkes* of late attempted to cut that *Istmos* betwixt *Africke* and *Asia*, which * *Sesostrius* and *Darius*, and some *Pharaohs* of *Egypt* had formerly vnderaken, but with ill successe, as ^a *Diodorus Siculus* records, and *Pliny*, for that the red Sea being three Cubits higher then *Egypt*, would haue drowned all the country. *capto destiterant*, they left off, yet as the same ^b *Diodorus* writes, *Ptolomy* renewed the work many yeares after, and absolued it in a more opportune place. That *Istmos* of *Corinth* was likewise vnderaken to be made navigable by *Demetrius*, by *Julius Caesar*, *Nero*, *Domitian*, *Herod*, to make a speedy passage, and lesse dangerous, from the *Ionian* and *Aegean* Seas. *Thuanus* and *Serres* the *French* historians, speake of a famous Aqueduct in *France*, intended in *Henry* the fourths time, from the *Loyre* to the *Seine*, and from *Rhodanus* to *Loyre*. The like to which, was formerly assaid by *Domitian* the Emperour, ^c from *Arar* to *Mosella*, which *Cornelius Tacitus* speaks of, in the 13 of his *Annals*, after by *Charles* the great and others. Much cost hath formerly beene bestowed in either new making or amending, channels of riuers, and their passages, (as *Aurelianus* did by *Tybur*, to make it nauigable to *Rome*, to conuay corne from *Egypt* to the city, *vadum alvei timentis effodit*, saith *Vopiscus*, & *Tyburis ripas extruxit*, hee cut fordes, made banks, &c.) decayed hauens, which *Claudius* the Emperour with infinite paines and charges attempted at *Ostia*, as I haue said, The *Venetians* at this day to preserue their city: many excellent meanes to enrich their Territories, haue beene fostered, invented in most Provinces of *Europe*, as planting some *Indian* plants amongst vs, *Silke* worms, & the very *Mulberry* leaues in the plaines of *Granado*, yeeld 30000 crownes per annum, to the King of *Spaine*s coffers, besides those many trades and artificers that are busied about them in the kingdome of *Granado*, *Murcia*, and all ouer *Spaine*. In *France* a great benefite is raised by salt, &c. Whether these things might not be as happily attempted with vs, and with like successe, it may be controverted: *Silke* worms (I meane) *Vines*, *Firtrees*, &c. *Cardan* exhorts *Edward* the 6. to plant *Oliues*, & is fully perswaded they would prosper in this Iland. With vs, nauigable riuers are most part neglected; our streames are not great, I confesse, by reason of the narrownesse of the Iland, yet they runne smoothly and euen, not headlong, swift, or amongst rockes and shelues, as foming *Rhodanus*, and *Loyre* in *France*, *Tygris* in *Mesopotamia*, violent *Darius* in *Spaine*, with *Cataracts* and *whirlepooles* as the *Rhine*, and *Danubius*, about *Shaphausen*, *Lausenbourg*, *Linz*, and *Cremmes*, to endanger Navigators;

^p Lib. 1. de in-
crem. urb. cap. 6.

^q Cap. 5. de in-
crem. urb. Quae

flumen, lacus,
aut mare alluit.

^r Incredibilem
commoditatem

uestigia mercat-
us fluvii nati-

gabiles, &c. Ro-
terus de Gallia.

^s Herodotus.

^t Ind. Orient.

cap. 2. Rotam in
medio flumine

constituunt, cui
ex pellibus ani-

malium consu-
tos vires appen-

dunt, hi dum vo-
ta mouetur, a-

qu m per cana-
les &c.

^a Centum pedes
lata fossa, 30 at-

ta.

^b Lib. 1. cap. 3.

^c Dion. Pausa-
nias, & Nic.

Gerbelius, *Mun-*
ster. *Cosm. eg. lib*

4. cap. 36. ut
breuiter foret

nauigatio, &
minus periculosa

^d Charles the
great went a-

bout to make
a channell frō

Rhine to *Danu-*
bius. *Bil. Pirihi-*

merus descript.

^e Ger. the ruins
are yet seene

about *Wessen-*
berg. from *Red-*

nich to *Altimus*.

^f Vt nauigabi-
lia inter se Occi-

dentis & Sep-
tentrionis lito-

ra fierent.

^g *Maginus Ge-*
ogr.

^h *Simlerus de*
rep. Heluet. lib. 5

describit.

† Camden in
Lincolneshire
Fossedike.
* Neare St
Albans.

or broad shallow, as Neckar in the Palatinate, Tybris in Italy; but calme and faire as Arar in France, Hebrus in Macedonia, Eurotas in Laconia, they gently glide along, & might as well be repaired many of them (I mean *wie, Trent, Ouse, Thamisis* at Oxford, the defect of which wee feele in the meane time) as the riuer of Lee from Ware to London. † Bishop Atwater of old, made a Channell from Trent to Lincolne, navigable; which now, saith Mr Camden, is decayed, and much mention is made of Ancres, and such like monuments found about old * Verulamium, shippes haue formerly come to Exeter, and many such places, whose Channels, Hauens, are now barred and reiected. We contemne this benefit of carriage by waters, and are therefore compelled in the inner parts of this Iland, because carriage is so deare, to eat vp our commodities, our selues, and liue like so many Boares in a sty, for want of vent and vtterance. We haue many excellent Hauens, royall Hauens, *Fal-mouth, Portsmouth, Milford, &c.* equivalent, if not to be preferred to that *Indian Hauana*, old *Brundisium* in Italy, *Aulis* in Greece, *Ambracia* in *Acar-nania*, *Suda* in *Crete*, which haue few shippes in them, little or no traffick or trade, which haue scarce a Village on them, able to beare great cities, *sed viderint politici*. I could here iustly taxe many other neglects, abuses, errors, defects amongst vs, and in other countries, depopulations, riot, drunkennes, &c. and many such, *quæ nunc in aurem susurrare non libet*. But I must take heed, *ne quid grauius dicam*, that I doe not ouershoot my selfe, I am forth of my element, as you peradventure suppose, and sometimes *veritas odium parit*, as he said, *veriuice and otemeale is good for a Parret*.

We haue good lawes, I deny not, to rectifie such enormities, and so in all other countries, but it seemes not alwayes to good purpose. We had neede of some generall visiter in our age, that should reforme what is amisse; another *Attila, Tamberlan, Hercules* to striue with *Achelous*, *Angæ stabulum* pur-gare, to subdue tyrants, as † he did *Diomedes* and *Busiris*: to expell theeues as he did *Cacus* and *Lacinius*; to vindicate poore captiues, as he did *Hesione*: to passe the Torrid Zone, and the deserts of *Lybia*, and purge the world of mon-sters and *Centaures*: Or another *Theban Crates* to reforme our manners, to compose quarrels, end controuersies, as in his time he did, and was therefore adored for a god in *Athens*.^b And as *Hercules* purged the world of monsters, and subdued them, so did he fight against *Enuy, lust, anger, auarice, &c.* and all those ferall vices and monsters of the minde. It were to be wished we had some such visitor, or if wishing would serue, one had such a ring or rings, as *Timo-laus* desired in^c *Lucian*, by vertue of which he should be as strong as ten thou-sand men, or an army of Gyants, goe inuisible, open gates and castile doores, haue what treasure he would, transport himselfe in an instant to what place he would, alter affections, cure all manner of diseases, that he might range all ouer the world, and reforme all distressed states and persons, as hee would himselfe. He might reduce those wandring *Tartars* in order, that infest *China* on the one side, *Muscovy, Poland* on the other; & tame those vagabond *Arabi-ans* that rob and spoile all those *Easterne* countries, that they should neuer vlc more *Carauans* or *Ianisaries* to conduct them. He might root out Barba-risme out of *America*, and fully discouer *Terra Australis Incognita*, finde out those North-East and North-West passages, dreane those mighty *Mæctian* fennes, cut down those vast *Hircinian* woods, irrigate those barren *Arabian* deserts,

* *Lisus Giral-dus, Nat. Comes.*
† *Apuleius l. 4.*
Flor. Lar famili-
aris inter homi-
nes etatis sue
cultus est, lium
omnium & in-
giorum inter pro-
pinquos arbitet
& disceptator.
Adversus iracū-
diam, inuidiam,
auaritiā, libi-
dinem, ceteraq;
animi humani
vitia, & mon-
stra. Philosophus
iste Hercules fu-
it. Pestes eas
mentibus exegit
omnes, &c.
¶ *Votū Navig.*

deserts, &c. Cure vs of our Epidemicall diseases, *Scorbutum, plica, morbus Neapolitanus, &c.* End all our idle controuersies, cut off our tumultuous desires, inordinate lusts, root out heresie, schisme and superstition, which now so crucifies the world: Purge *Italy* of luxury and riot; *Spaine* of superstition and icalousie, *Germany* of drunkenness, and all our Northerne countries of gluttony and intemperance, castigate our hard-hearted parents, masters, tutors, lath disobedient children, negligent seruants, correct these spendthrifts and prodigall sonnes, enforce idle persons to worke, driue drunkards out of the alehouse, repress theeuers, visit corrupt and tyrannizing magistrates &c. But as *L. Licinius* taxed *Timolauus*, you may vs. These are vaine, absurd, and ridiculous wishes, not to be hoped: all must be as it is, there is no remedy for it, it may not be redressed, *desinent homines tum demum stultescere, quando esse desinent*, so long as they can wagge their beards, they wil play the fooles.

Because therefore it is a thing so difficult, impossible, and farre beyond *Hercules* labours to be performed; let them be stupid, as they are, let them tyrannize, Epicurize, oppress, luxuriate, consume themselues, liue in riot, pouerty, misery, rebell, wallow as so many swine in their owne dung and as *Vlysses* companions, *stultos iubeo esse libenter*. I will yet satisfie and please my selfe, make an *Utopia* of mine owne, a poeticall common-wealth of mine owne, in which I will freely domineere, build cities, make lawes, statutes, as I list my selfe. And why may I not? ——— *d. p. floribus atq. poetis, &c.*

You know what liberty Poets haue euer had, and besides, my Predecessor *Democritus* was a Politician, a Recorder of *Abdera*, a law-maker as some say, and why may not I presume as much as he did? Howsoeuer I wil adventure. For the Site, if you wil needs vrge me to it, I am not yet fully resolved, it may be in *Terra Australis Incognita*, there is roome enough (for of my knowledge neither that hungry *Spaniard*, nor *Mercurius Britannicus*, haue yet discovered halfe of it) or else one of those floating Ilands in *Mare del Zur*, which like the *Cyanian* Iles in the *Euxine* Sea, alter their place, and are accessible onely at set times, and to some few persons; or one of the Fortunate Iles, for who knowes yet where, or what they are? There is roome enough in the inner parts of *America*, & Northerne coasts of *Asia*. But I will chuse a site, whose latitude shall be 45 degrees, in the midst of the temperat Zone, or perhaps vnder the *Equator*, that Paradise of the world, *ubi semper virens laurus, &c.* where is a perpetuall Spring: the longitude for some reasons I will conceal. Yet, be it knowne to all men by these presents, that if any honest Gentleman will send in so much mony, as *Cardan* allowes an Astrologer for casting a Natiuiry, he shall be a sharer, I will acquaint him with my proiect; or if any worthy man will stand for any temporall or spirituall office or dignity, (for as he said of his Archbshopricke of *Utopia*, *tis sanctus ambitus*, and not amisse to be sought after) it shall be freely giuen, without all intercessions, bribes, letters, &c, his owne worth shall be the best spokesman; & because we shall admit of no deputies or aduousons, if he be sufficiently qualified, and as able as willing to execute the place him selfe, he shall haue present possession. It shall be diuided into some 12 or 13 Prouinces, and those by hils, riuers, rode-ways, or some more eminent limits exactly bounded. Each Prouince shall haue a *Metropolis*, which shall be so placed as a Center, almost in a circumference, and the rest at equall distances, 12 *Italian* miles asunder, or there-

Quis sordidus est, sordescat ad-buc.

d. Hor.

Ferdinando de Quir. 1612.

about, and in them shall bee sold all things necessary for the vse of man, *statis horis & diebus*, no market townes, markets or faires, for they doe but beggar cities (no village shall stand aboue fixe, seuen, or eight miles from a city, except those Emporiums which are by the Seaside, generall Staples, Marts, as *Antwerpe, Venice, Bergen of old, London; &c.* cities most part, shalbe situate vpon navigable riuers or lakes, creekes, hauens, and for their forme, regular, round, square, or long square, † with faire, broad, and streight * streets, houses vniforme, built of bricke and stone, like *Bruges, Bruxels, Rhegium Lepidi, Berna* in Switserland, *Millan, Mantua, Crema, Cambalu* in Tartary described by *M. Polus*, or that *Venetian Palma*. I will admit very few or no suburbs, and those of baser building, walls onely to keepe out man and horse, except it be in some frontier townes, or by the Seaside, and those to be fortified ‡ after the latest manner of fortification, and site vpon couenient hauens, or opportune places. In euery so built city, I will haue convenient Churches and Churchyards to bury the dead in, a *cittadella* to command it, prisons for all offenders, opportune market places of all sorts, for corne, meat, cattle, fuell, fish, &c. Commodious Courts of Justice, publike Hals for all Societies, Burses, meeting places, Armories, * in which shall be kept engins for quenching of fire, Artillery Gardens, publike walkes, Theaters and spacious fields allotted for all Gymnicks, sports, and honest recreations, Hospitals of all kindes for children, orphans, old folkes, sickmen, madmen, souldiers, pest-houses, not built *precarid*, or by gowty benefactors, but *ex publico arario*, and so maintained, *non nobis solum nati sumus, &c.* I will haue Conduits of sweet and good water, aptly disposed in each towne, common ^b granaries, as at *Dresden* in *Misnia*, *Stetein* in *Pomerland*, *Noremberge, &c.* publike schooles of all kindes, musicke, dancing, fencing, &c. especially of Grammer, and Languages, not to be taught by those tedious precepts ordinarily vsed, but by † vse, example, conversation, as trauellers learne abroad, & nurses teach their children. As I will haue all such places, so will I haue * publicke gouernours, fit officers to each place, treasurers, ædiles, questors, ouerseers of pupils, widowes goods, and all publicke houses, &c. and those once a yeare to make strict accompts, of all receipts, expences, to auoid confusion, & *sic fiet ut non absument* (as *Pliny* to *Traian*) *quod pudeat dicere*. They shall be subordinate to those higher officers and gouernors of each city, which shal not be poore Tradesmen, & meane Artificers, but noblemen and gentlemen, which shall be tied to residence in those townes they dwell next, at such set times & seasons: for I see no reason (which † *Hippolitus* complaines of) *that it should be more dishonorable for noblemen to gouerne the city, then the country, or vnto seemly to dwell there now, then of old.* ‡ I wil haue no bogges, fennes, marishes, vast woods, deserts, heaths, commons, but all inclosed; for that which is commo, and euery mans, is no mans; the richest countries are still enclosed, as *Essex, Kent* with vs, &c. *Spaine, Italy;* & where inclosures are least in quantity, they are * best husbanded, as about *Florence* in *Italy*, *Damascus* in *Syria, &c.* which

† Vide *Patrium* lib. 8. tit. 10. de *Instit. Reipub.*

* Sic olim *Hippodamus* Milesius *Arist.* polit. cap. 11. & *Virrius* l. 1. cap. ult.

‡ With walls of earth, &c.

^a De his *Plinius* epist. 42. lib. 2. & *Tacitus* *Annal.* 13. lib.

^b Vide *Brissonium* de regno *Pers.* lib. 3. de his, & *Vegetium* lib. 2. cap. 3. de *Armor.*

† So *Lo. V.* *Wes* thinkes best, *Cominius* and others.

* *Plato* 3. de leg. *Ædiles* creari vult, qui fora, fontes, vias, portus, plateas, & id genus alia procurent. Vide *Isaacum Pontanum* de civit. *Amstel.* hec omnia, &c. *Gotardum* & alios.

‡ De *Increm.* urb. cap. 13. *Ingenue* fateor me non intelligere cur ignobilis

sit urbes bene munitas colere nunc quam olim, aut case rustice præesse quam urbi. Idem *Vbertus Foliot* de *Neapoli*. ‡ Ne tantillum quidem soli incultum relinquatur, ut verum sit ne pollicem quidem agri in his regionibus sterilem aut infæcundum reperiri. *Marcus Herminius Augustinus* de regno *Chine*, lib. 1. cap. 3. * *M. Carim* in his survey of *Cornwall*, saith, that before that county was inclosed, the husband men dranke water, did eate little or no bread. (fol. 68. lib. 1.) their apparell was coure; they went barelegged, their dwelling was correspondent, but since inclosure, they liue decently, and haue mony to spend (fol. 23) when their fields were common, their wooll was course *Cornish* haire, but since inclosure, it is almost as good as *Cors* wooll, and their soile much mended. *Tusser* cap. 52. of his husbandry, is of his opinion, one acre inclosed, is worth three common. The country inclosed I praise, The other delighteth not me, For nothing wealth it doth raise, &c.

are liker gardens, then fields. I will not have a barren acre in all my Territories, not so much as the toppes of mountaines, where Nature failes, it shalbe supplied by art, ^h lakes and riuers shall not be left desolate. All publike high wayes, bridges, corriuations of waters, Aqueducts, Channels, publike works, buildings, &c. out of a † common stocke, curiously maintained and kept in repaire; no depopulations, ingrossings, alterations of wood, arable, but by the consent of some superuisors, that shall be appointed for that purpose, & shall see what reformation ought to be had in all places, what is amisse, how to helpe it, *Et quid quæq; ferat regio, & quid quæq; recuset,*
 What ground is aptest for wood, what for ^k corne, what for cattle, gardens, orchards, fishponds, &c. what for Lords, what for Tenants; & because they shall be better encouraged to improue such lands they hold, manure, plant trees, dreane, fence, &c. they shall haue long leases, a known rent, and known fine, to free them from those intolerable exactions of tyrannizing landlords. These superuisors shall likewise appoint, what quantity of land in each Manor is fit for the lordst* Demesnes, what for holding of Tenants, how it ought to be husbanded, how to be manured, tilled, rectified, and what proportion is fit for all callings, because private possessors are many times idlers, ill husbands, oppressors, couetous, and know not how to improue their owne, or else wholly respect their owne, and not publike good.

Vtopian parity is a kind of gouernment, to be wished for, rather then effected, and *Platoes* community in many things impious, absurd & ridiculous, it takes away all splendor and magnificence; I will haue seuerall orders, degrees of nobility, & those hereditary, not reiecting yonger brothers in the meane time, for they shall be sufficiently provided for by pensions, or so brought vp, they shall be able to liue of themselues. I will haue such a proportion of ground belonging to euery *Barony*, ¹ he that buyes the land, shall buy the *Barony*; hee that by riot consumes his patrimony, and ancient demeanes, shall forfeit his honors. As some dignities shall be hereditary, so some again by election, or by gift (besides free offices, pensions, annuities) like our Bishoprickes, *Prebends*, the *Bassa's* palaces in *Turky*, the † Procurators houses and offices in *Venice*, which like that golden apple, shall be giuen to the worthiest and best deseruing both in warre and peace, as a reward of their worth and good seruice, and as so many goales for all to aime at, (*honos alit artes*) and encouragements to others. For I hate these seuer, vnnaturall, harsh, *German*, *French*, and *Venetian* decrees, which exclude *Plebeians* from honors, because they neuer so wise, rich, vertuous, valiant, & well qualified; they must not bee *Patricians*, but still keep their own ranke, this is *natura bellum inferre*, odious to God & men, I abhorre it. My forme of gouernment shall be Monarchical,

nunquam libertas gratior extat,

Quam sub rege pio, &c.

few lawes, but those seuerely kept, plainly put downe, and in the mother tongue, that euery man may vnderstand. Euery city shal haue a peculiar trade or priuiledge, by which it shall be chiefly maintained, ^m and parents shall teach their children, one of three at least, bring vp and instruct them in the mysteries of their own trade. In each towne these seuerall Tradesmen shall be so aptly disposed, as they shall free the rest from danger or offence; fire-trades, as *Smyths*, *forgermen*, *brewers*, *bakers*, *mettlemen*, &c. shall dwell apart by themselues; *diers*, *ranners*,

*Incredibilis
horrorum co-
pia, nullo poci-
ores in aquis,
quam in conti-
nenti commo-
rantur. M. Cic-
tius expedit in
Sinas lib. 1. c. 3.
† To this pur-
pose Arist. polit.
2 cap. 6. allows
a third part of
their reve-
nues, Hippo-
damus halfe.
‡ Ita lex agri-
aria olim Rome.
Hic segetes,
illie veniunt
seclitum arce,
A borei fetus
alibi, atq; inuisa
virescant Gra-
minis. Virg. 1.
Georg.*

*1 So is it in
the kingdome
of Naples, and
France, &c.*

*† See Contave-
nus and Orosius
de rebus gestis
Emanuelis de his
† Claudian l. 7.
‡ Herodotus
Erato lib. 6.
Cum Aegypti
Lacedæmonii in
hoc congruunt,
quod eorum pre-
cones, tibicines,
coqui, & reliqui
artifices, in pa-
terna officia
succedunt, &
coquis à coquo
gignitur, & pa-
terna opere per-
seuerat Idem
Marcus Polus
de Quinzq. Idē
Orosius de E-
manuelis rege
Lusitano. Ricci-
us de Sinis.*

tanners, fellmongers, &c. & such as vse water in convenient places by themselves, noisome or fulsome for bad smells, as butchers slaughter-houses, channers, curriers in remote places, or some backe lanes. Fraternities & companies, I approue of, as Merchants Burfes, Colledges of Druggers, Physitians, Musicians, &c. but all trades to be rated in the sale of wares, as our Clerks of the market doe bakers and brewers, come it selfe, what scarcity soeuer shall come, not to exceed such a price. Of such things as are transported or brought in, as if they be necessary things, & such as neerly concerne mans life, as corne, wood, cole, &c. & such provision we cannot want, I will haue little or no custome payde, no taxes, but for such things as are for pleasure, delight, or ornament, as Wine, Spice, Tobacco, Silke, Veluet, Cloth of gold, Lace, Jewels, &c. a great impost. I will haue certaine ships sent out for new discoveries euery yeare, & some discret men appointed to traueil into all neighbour kingdomes by land, which shall obserue what artificiall inventions, good Lawes are in other Countries, customes, alterations, or ought else, concerning warre or peace, which may tend to the common good. Ecclesiasticall Discipline, *penes Episcopos*, subordinate as the other. No impropriations, no Lay patrons of Church liuings, or one priuate man, but those Rectors of Benefices to be chosen out of the Vniuersities, examined & approued as the *literati* in *China*. No Parish to containe aboute a thousand Auditors. If it were possible, I would haue such Priests should imitate *Christ*, charitable Lawyers should loue their neighbour as themselves, temperate & modest Physitians, Politicians contemne the world, Philosophers should know themselves, noblemen liue honestly, tradesmen leaue lying & cosening, magistrates &c. but this is vnpossible, I must haue such as I may. I will therefore haue ^a of Lawyers, Judges, Advocates, Physitians, Chirurgions, &c. a set number, & euery man, if it be possible, to plead his own cause, to tell that tale to the Judge, which he doth to his Advocate, as at *Fez* in *Africke*, *Bantam*, *Aleppo*, *Raguse*, *suam quisq; causam dicere tenetur*. Those Advocates, Chirurgions & Physitians, which are allowed, to be maintained out of the common treasure, no fees to begiuen or taken, vpon paine of loosing their places, or if they doe, very small fees, & when ^a the cause is fully ended. ^b He that sues any man, shall put in a pledge, which if it be proued he hath wrongfully sued his Aduersary, rashly or maliciously, he shall loose. All causes shall bee pleaded *suppresso nomine*, the parties names concealed, if some circumstances do not otherwise require. Judges & all other Officers shall be aptly disposed in each Prouince, villages, cities, as common arbitrators to heare all causes, & end all controuerfies, no controuersie to depend aboute a yeare, but without all delays, & further appeales, to be speedily dispatched, and finally concluded in that time allotted. These and all other inferiour Magistrats to be chosen ^c as the *literati* in *China*, or by those exact suffrages of the ^d *Venetians*, and those againe not be eligible, or capable of magistracies, honors, offices, except they be sufficiently qualified for learning, manners, and that by the

^a Hippol. d. Col-
libus de morem.
urb. cap. 20.

Plato idem 7 de
legibus. que ad
vitam necessa-
ria, & quibus
carere non possu-
mus, nullum de
pendi vestigia,
&c.

^b Plato 12. de
legibus. 40 an-
nos natos vult,
ut si quid me-
morabile vide-
rint apud exte-
ros, hoc ipsum in
tempus recipia-
tur.

^c Simlerus in
Helvetiâ.

^d Tropienses
causâs excludunt,
qui causas
callide &
vafre tractant
& disputant. I-
niquissimum
censent hominem
illis obligari le-
gibus, que aut
numerosiores
sunt, quam ut
perlegi queant,
aut obscuriores
quam ut à quo-
vis possint intel-
ligi. Vult ut
suam quisq; cau-
sam agat, eamq;
referat iudici
quam narratu-
rus fuerat pa-
trono, sic minus
erit ambagium,
& veritas faci-
lius elicietur.

Merus Trop. l. 2.

^e Medici ex
publico victum
sumunt. Boterus

lib. 1. cap. 5. de Egyptiis.

^f De his lege Patritium lib. 3. tit. 8. de reipub. Institut.

^g Nihil à clientibus patroni accipient, priusquam

his finita est. Barclay Argenti lib. 3.

^h Tis so in most free cities in Germany.

ⁱ Mat. Riccius expedit. in Sinas lib. 1. cap. 5. de

examinatione electionum copiose agit, &c.

^k Contareus de reipub. Venet. lib. 1.

^l Orosius lib. 11. de rebus gest. Emanuelis. Qui in

literis maximos progressus fecerint maximis honoribus afficiuntur, secundus honoris gradus militibus assignatur, postremi ordinis mecha-

niciis, doctores hominum iudiciis in altiore locum quisq; prefertur, & qui à plurimis approbatur, ampliores in reipub. dignitates consequi-

unt. Qui in hoc examine primas habet, insigni per totam vitam dignitate insignitur, marchioni similis, aut duci apud nos.

strict approbation of deputed examiners, * first Schollers to take place, then Souldiers. ^a If they misbehave themselves, to bee deposed, and accordingly punished, & whether their Offices be annuall ^b or otherwise once a yeere they shall be called in question, & giue an accompt; for men are partiall & passionate, mercilesse, couetous, corrupt, subiect to loue hate, feare, fauor &c. *omne sub regno grauiore regnū.* like Solons *Areopagites*, or those *Roman* Censors, some shall visit others, ^c & be visited themselves, ^d they shall ouersee that no proling Officer, vnder colour of authority, shall insult ouer his inferiours, as so many wild beasts, oppresse, domineer, flea, grind, or trample on, be partial or corrupt, but that there be *equabile ius*, iustice equally done, liue as friends & brethren together; & which ^e *Scellius* would haue, and so much desires in his Kingdome of *France*, a diapason and sweet harmony of *Kings, Princes, Nobles and Plebeians* so mutually tied and inuolued in loue, as well as lawes and authority, as that they neuer disagree, insult or encroache one upon another. If any man deserue well in his Office, he shall be rewarded. Hee that invents any thing for publike good in any Art or Science, writes any Treatise, * or performes any noble exploit, at home or abroad, ^f shall be accordingly enriched, ^g honoured, and preferred. I say with *Hannibal* in *Ennius*, *Hostem qui feriet erit mihi Carthaginensis*, let him be of what condition he will, in all Offices, Actions, he that deserues best, shall haue best.

I will suffer no * *Beggars, Rogues, Vagabonds*, or idle persons, that cannot giue an accompt of their liues. If they be impotent, lame, blind, & single, they shall be sufficiently maintained in seuerall Hospitals, built for that purpose; or if married & infirme, past work, or by inevitable losse, or some such like misfortune cast behind, by distribution of ^h corne, house rent free, annuall pensions, or mony, they shall be relieued, and highly rewarded for their good seruice they haue formerly done; if able, they shall bee inforced to worke. * For I see no reason (as ⁱ he said) why an *Epicure* or idle drone, a rich glutton, an *usurer*, should liue at ease, and doe nothing, liue in honour, in all manner of pleasures, and oppresse others, when as in the meane time, a poore laborer, a smith, a carpenter, an husbandman that hath spent his time in continuall labour, as an *Ass* to carry burdens, to doe the *Commonwealth* good, and without whom we cannot liue, shall be left in his old age to begge or starue, and lead a miserable life, worse then a iument. As ^k all conditions shall bee tied to their taske, so none shall be ouer-tired, but shall haue their set times of recreations & Holydayes, *indulgere Genio*, feasts & merry meetings, euen to the meanest artificer, or basest seruant, once a weeke to sing or dance, or doe whatsoeuer he shall please; like those *Saturnals* in *Rome*, as well as his master. ^l If any bee

lumi excellētis certamen, aut cuius victoria magis esset expetenda; non enim inter celeres celerrimo, non inter robustos robustissimo, &c. * Nullus mendicus apud Sinas, nemini sano quamuis oculis turbatus sit, mendicare permittitur, omnes pro viribus laborare coguntur, ceci molis trusatilibus versandis addicuntur, soli hospitibus gaudent, qui ad labores sunt inepti. *Osar* lib. 11. de reb. gest. *Emmanuelis*, *Hemmingius* de regno *Chinae* lib. 1. cap. 3. *Gotardus* *Arthus Oriental. Ind. descr.* † *Sic olim Roma*, *Isaacus Pontanus* de his optimis. *Aristot.* lib. 2. cap. 9. * *Idem* *Aristot.* polit. 5. cap. 8. *Viciosum* quum soli pauperum liberi educantur ad labores, nobilium & diuitem in voluptatibus & delitiis. † *Que* hec iniustitia, ut nobilis quispiam, aut senator qui nihil agat, latiam & splendidam vitam agat, otio & delitiis, quum interim auriga, faber, agricola, quo respub. carere non potest, vitam adco miseram ducat, ut peior quam immetotum sit eius conditio. Iniqua respub. que dat parasitis, adulatoribus, inanium voluptatum artificibus, generosis & otiosis tanta munera prodigit, at contra agricolis, Carbonariis, aurigis, fabris, &c. nihil prospicit, sed eorum abusa labore florentis, etatis fame periet & erumnis. *Morus* *Utop.* lib. 2. † In *Segovia* nemo otiosus, nemo mendicus nisi per etatem aut morbum opus facere non potest: nulli deest unde victum querat, aut quo se exerceat. *Cyprianus* *Echeuius* *Delit.* *Hispanie*. Nullus *Geneua* otiosus, ne septennis puer. *Paulus* *Henricus* *linar.* * *Similius* de repub. *Helvet.*

^a *Cedani arma*
toga.

^b As in *Berna*,
Lucerne, *Fribur-*
gerland, a vici-
ous liuer is vn-
capable of any
office, if a *Se-*
natour, in-
stantly deposed.
Simlerus.

^c Not aboue
three yeares.

^d *Arist.* polit. 5. c. 3.
^e Nam quis cu-
stodie ipsos cu-
stodes.

^f *Cyrenus* in
Griseia. *Quo*
non ex sublimi
d'efficient in scri-
ores, nec ut be-
stias conculescent
sibi subditi, os au-
thoritatis nomi-
ni confisi &c.

^g *Scellius* de
repub. *Gallorum*,
lib. 1. & 2.

^h Si quis egregi-
um aut bello aut
pace per fecerit.
Scellius lib. 1.

ⁱ Ad regendam
repub. soli lite-
rati admittun-
tur, nec ad eam
rem gratia ma-
gistratum aut
regis indigent,
omnia ab explo-
rati cuiusq. sci-
entia & virtute
pendent. *Riccius*
lib. 1. cap. 5.

^k In defunctis
locum eum in suis
subrogari, qui in-
ter maiores vir-
tute reliquis pre-
iret, non fuit apud
mortales ut.

drunke, he shall drinke no more wine or strong drinke in a tweluemonth after. A bankrupt shall be *o Catademiatus in Amphitheatro*, publicly shamed, & he that cannot pay his debts, if by riot or negligence he haue bin impouerished, he shall be for a tweluemonth imprisoned; if in that space his Creditors be not satisfied, * he shall be hanged. He that commits sacriledge shall loose his hands, he that beares false witnesse, or is of periury convict, shall haue his tongue cut out, except he redeeme it with his head. Murder, & adultery shall be punished by death, ^a but not theft, except it bee some more grievous offence, or notorious offenders; otherwise they shall be condemned to the gallies or mines, or be his slaue whom they offended, during their liues; I hate all hereditary slaues, & that *duram Persarum legem*, as * *Brissomius* calls it, or as † *Ammianus*, *impendio formidat as & abominandas leges, per quas ob noxam unius, omnis propinquit as perit*, hard law that wife & children, friends & allies should suffer for the fathers offence.

No man shall marry vntill he ^b be 25, no woman till she be 20, *c nisi aliter dispensatum fuerit*. * If one dye, the other party shall not marry till sixe months after; and because many families are compelled to liue niggardly, exhaust & vndone by great dowres, † none shall be giuen at all, or very litle, & that by supervisors rated, they that are soule shall haue a greater portion, if faire, none at all, or very little, ^d howsoeuer not to exceed such a rate as those supervisors shall thinke fit. And when once they come to those yeares, pouerty shall hinder no man from marriage, or any other respect, ^e but all shall rather be inforced, then hindred: ^f except they be † dismembred or grievously deformed, infirme, or visited with some enormous hereditary disease, in body or minde, in such cases vpon a great paine, or mulct, * man or woman shall not marry, other order shall be taken for them to their content: if people ouer abound, they shall be eased by § Colonies.

^h No man shall weare weapons in any city. The same attire shall be kept, & that proper to seuerall callings, by which they shall bee distinguished. *a luxus funerum* shall bee taken away, that expence moderated; and many others. Brokers, takers of pawnes, biting vsurers, I will not admit; yet because ^b *hic cum hominibus non cum diis agitur*, wee converse heere with men, not with gods, & for the hardnesse of mens hearts I will tolerate some kinde of Vsury. Howsoeuer most Diuines contradict it.

Dicimus inficias, sed vox ea sola reperta est.

it must be winked at by Politicians. And yet some great Doctores approue of it, *Calvin*, *Bucer*, *Zanchius*, *P. Martyr*, because by so many great Lawyers, decrees of Emperours, Princes Statutes, Customes of Commonwealthes, Churches approbations it is permitted, &c. I will therefore allow it. But to no priuate persons, not to euery man that will, to orphanes onely, maides, widowes, or such as by reason of their age, sexe, education, ignorance of tra-

o Spartian. olim Rome sic.

* He that provides not for his family, is worse then a thiefe, *Paul.*

† *Alfredi lex.* *vtraq; manus & lingua praecidatur, nisi eam capite redemerit.*

¶ *Si quis nupta stupravit, virga virilis ei praeciditur, si mulier, nasus & auricula praecidantur.* *Alfredi lex. En leges ipsi Veneri, Martia timeas.*

• *Pauperes non peccant, quum extrema necessitate coacti rem alienam capiunt.* *Maldonac. sum-mula quest. 8.*

art. 3. *Ego cum illis sentio, qui dicere putant a diuine clam accipere, qui tenetur pauperi subuenire.* *Emanuel Sa. Apbor. confess.*

* *Lib. 2. de reg. Persarum.*

† *Lib. 24.*

• *Aliter Aristoteles, a man at 25, a woman at 20. Polit.*

• *Lex olim Lycurgi, hodie Chinensum, vide Plutarchum, Riccium, Hemmingium, Arminium, Neufanum, & alios de hac questione.*

† *Alfredus.* † *Apud Lacones olim virgines sine dote nubebant. Boter. l. 3. c. 3.*

• *Buxdorfius Synagog. Iud. sic Iudaei. Leo Afer Africa descript. ne sint aliter incontinentes, ob reipub bonum. Vt Augustus Caesar orat. ad celibes Romanos olim edocuit.*

• *Morbo laborans, qui in prolem facile diffunditur, ne genus humanum fedi contagione ledatur, iuventute castratur, mulieres tales procul a consortio virorum ablegantur.*

• *Hector Boethius hist. lib. 1. de veterum Scotorum moribus.* † *Speciosissimi iuvenes liberis dabant operam. Plato 5. de legibus.*

• *The Saxons exclude dumb, blind, leprous, and such like persons from all inheritance, as we do fooles.* • *Vt olim Romani Hispani hodie, &c.* • *Riccium lib. 1. cap. 5. de Sinarum expedit. sic Hispani cogunt Mauros arma deponere. So is it in most Italian cities.* • *Idem Plato 12. de legibus. it hath euer beene immoderate, vide Guil. Stuechum antiq. convival. lib. 1. cap. 26.*

• *9 de legibus Plato.*

ding, knowne not otherwise how to imploy it, & those so approued, not to let it out apart, but to bring their mony to a^c common banke, which shalbe allowed in euery city, as in *Genua, Geneva, Noremberge, Venice*, & at 5.6.7. not aboue 8 per centum, as the supervisors, or *arary praefecti* shall thinke fit. And as it shall not be lawfull for each man to be an Vsurer that will, so shall it not be lawfull to all to take vp mony at vse, not to prodigals & spendthrifts, but to merchants, young tradesmen, or such as stand in neede, or know honestly how to employ it, whose necessity, cause and condition, the said supervisors shall approue of.

I will haue no priuate Monopolies, to enrich one man, and begger a multitude, multiplicity of offices, or supplying by deputies, weights & measures the same throughout, & those rectified by the *Primam Mobile*, & Suns motion, threescore miles to a degree according to obseruation, 1000 Geometrical paces to a mile, siue foot to a pace, twelue inches to a foot, &c. & from measures knowne, it is an easie matter to rectifie weights, &c. to cast vp all, & resolute bodies by Algebra, Stereometry. I hate all warres, if they be not *ad populi salutem*, vpon vrgent occasion,

Odi mus accipit rem, quia semper vivit in armis.

offensive warres, except the cause be very iust, I will not approue of. For I doe highly magnifie that saying of *Hannibal* to *Scipio* in *S Livy*, *It had beene a blessed thing for you and vs, if God had giuen that minde to our Predecessors, that you had beene content with Italy, we with Africke.* For neither *Sicily*, nor *Sardinia* are worth such coste and paines, so many fleetes and armies, or so many famous captaines liues. *omnia prius tentanda*, & in such warres to abstaine as much as is possible^h from depopulations, burning of townes, massacring of Infants, &c. for defensue warres, I will haue forces still ready at a small warning, by land & Sea, a prepared Navy, souldiers in *prociectu*, & mony which is *neruus belli*, still in a readinesse, to auoid those heavy taxes & impositions, as well to defray this charge of warres, as also all other publicke defalcations, expences, fees, pensions, reparations, chaste sports, Feasts, donaries, rewards, & entertainments, & all things in this nature especially, I will haue maturely done, & with great^k deliberation: *ne quid temere, ne quid remisse ac timide fiat. sed quod feror hospes*. To prosecute the rest would require a volume. *Annus de Tabella*, I haue bin ouer tedious in this subiect, I could haue here willingly ranged, but these straights wherein I am included, will not permit.

From Commonwealths & cities, I will descend to families, which haue as many corruces & molestations, as frequent discontents as the rest. Great affinity there is betwixt a Politicall & Oeconomicall body, as they haue both likely the same period, as *Bodin* & *Peucer* hold out of *Plato*, fixe or seuen hundred yeeres, so many times they haue the same meanes of their vexation & ouerthrowes, as namely riot, a common ruine of both, riot in building, riot in profuse spending, riot in apparell, &c. be it in what kind soeuer, it producerh the same effects. A Chorographer of ours speaking *obiter* of ancient families, why they are so frequent in the North, continue so long, are so soon extinguished in the South, and so few, giues no other reason but this, *luxus*

^h A depopulatione, agrorum incendiis, & eiusmodi factis immanibus. *Plato*. ⁱ *Sesellus lib. 2. de repub. Gal.* Valde enim est indecorum, ubi niod preter opinionem accidit dicere. Non putaram: praesertim si res praecaveri potuerit. ^k peragit tranquillam potestas. Quod violenta nequit. --- *Claudian*. ^l Bellum nec timendum nec provocandum. *Plin. Panegy. Traiano*. ^m *Lib. 4. de respub. cap. 2* ⁿ *Peucer lib. de diuinat.* ^o *Camden in Cheshire.*

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As those
Lunbards be-
yond Seas,
that lend mo-
ny vpon easie
pawnes, or
take mony v-
pon adven-
ture for mens
liues.
That pro-
portion will
make mer-
chandise, in-
crease land,
dearer and
better impro-
ued, as hee
hath iudicial-
ly proued in
his Tract of
Vsur, exhibi-
ted to the Par-
liament, 1621.
Hoc ferè Zan-
chius com. in 4.
cap. ad Ephef.
a quissimam vo-
cat usuram, &
charitati Christi-
ane consentane-
am, modò non
exigant, & c. nec
omnes dent ad
fenus, sed y
qui in pecunijs
bona habent, &
ob aetatem, sexum,
artis aliquid
ignorantiam, nec
possunt vit. Nec
omnibus, sed
mercatoribus, &
ys qui honeste
impendunt, & c.
Idem *Plato* 6
de legibus.
Lib. 30. Opti-
mum quid m
fuerat eam pa-
tribus nostris
mentem à diis
datam esse, ut
vos Italiae, nos
Africe imperio
contenti esse-
mus. Neq. enim
Sicilia aut Sai-
diniâ satis digna
praecia sunt pra-
tor classibus,
& c.

omnia dissipavit, riot hath consumed all. Fine cloathes & curious buildings came into this Island, as he notes in his Annals, not so many yeares since, *non sine dispendio hospitalitatis*, to the decay of hospitality. Howbeit many times that word is mistaken, & vnder the name of Bounty & Hospitality, is shrowded Riot, & Prodigality, & that which is commendable in it selfe well vsed, hath bin mistaken heretofore, is become by his abuse, the bane & vtter ruine of many a noble family. For many a man liues like the rich glutton, consuming himselfe & his substance by continuall feasting & invitations, like *Axilox* in *Homer*, keepes open house for all commers, giuing entertainment to such as visit him, ^m keeping a table beyond his meanes, & a company of idle seruants (though not so frequent as of old) he is blowne vp on a sudden, & as *Atleon* was by his hounds, deuoured by his kinsmen, friends & multitude of followers.ⁿ It is a wonder that *Paulus Iovius* relates of our northern countries, what an infinite deale of meat wee consume on our tables: that I may truely say 'tis not bounty, not hospitality, as it is often abused, but riot in excesse, & prodigality, a meere vice, it brings in debt, want & beggery, hereditary diseases, consumes their fortunes, & ouerthrowes the good temperature of their bodies. To this I might heere well adde their inordinate expence in building, those phantasticall houses, turrets, walkes, parkes, &c. gaming, excesse of pleasure, & that prodigious riot in apparell, by which means they are compelled to giue vp house, & creep into holes. *Sesellius* in his commonwealth of *France*, giues three reasons why the *French* Nobility were so frequently bankrupts: First because they had so many *Lawsutes* and contentions, one vpon another, which were tedious and costly, by which meanes it came to passe, that commonly *Lawyers* bought them out of their possession. A second cause was their Riot, they liued beyond their meanes, and were therefore swallowed up by merchants. The last was immoderate excesse in apparell, which consumed their revenues. How this concernes & agrees with our present state, look you. But of this elswhere. As it is in a mans body, if either, head, heart, stomack, liuer, spleene, or any one part be misaffected, all the rest suffer with it, so is it with this Oeconomical body. If the head bee naught, a spendthrift, a drunkard, a whoremaster, a gamester, how shall the family liue at ease? *Ipsa si cupiat salus seruari, prorsus non potest hanc familiam*, as *Demea* said in the Comedy, safety her selfe cannot saue it. A good, honest, painefull man many times hath a shrew to his wife, a sickly, dishonest, slothful, foolish, carelesse woman to his wife, a proud, peeuish flurt, a liquorish, prodigall queane, & by that meanes, all goes to ruine: or if they differ in nature, hee is thrifty, she spends all; he wise, shee sottish & soft, what agreement can there be, what friendship? Like that of the Thrush and Swallow in *Aesope*, Instead of mutual loue, kind compellations, whore & thief is heard, they sling stools at one anothers heads. *P. Que intemperies vexat hanc familiam* All enforced marriages commonly produce such effects, or if on their behalves all be wel, liue and agree louingly together, they may haue disobedient, vnruely childrē, that take ill courses to disquiet them, *A their son is a thiefe, daughter a whore,* & a steppe mother, or a daughter in law distempers all, ^t or else for want of meanes, many tortures arise, debts, dues, fees, dowries, ioynters, legacies to be paid, annuities issuing out, by means of which, they haue not wherewithal to maintaine themselues in that pompe as their Predecessours haue done, bring

^l *Iliad. 6. lib.*

^m Vide *Puteani Commem.* *Golenium* de portentosis cenis nostrorum temporum.

ⁿ Mirabile dicta est, quantum opsoniorum una domus singulis diebus absumat, sternuntur mensae in omnes venteris calentes semper cadunt.

^t Lib. 1. de rep. Gallorum. quod rot lites & causas forenses alie serantur ex alia, in immensum roducantur, & magnos sumptus reuoluant, unde fit ut iuris administri plerumq. nobilium possessiones acquirant, cum quod sumptuose vivant, & a mercatoribus absorbentur, & splendidissime vestiantur, &c. *Adelphi. act. 4. sc. 7.*

^p *Amphitheat.* *Plauti*

^q *Palin. Filii* aut fur.

^r *Cat. cum* mare duo galli simul in ade, Et glotes hinc nunc quam viuunt sine lite.

^t *Res angusta domus.*

bring vp or bestow their children to their callings, to their birth & quality, & will not descend to their present fortunes. Often times too, to aggravate the rest, concur many other inconveniences, vnthankfull friends, decayed friends, bad neighbours, negligent seruants, casualties, taxes, mulcts, losse of stocke, enmities, emulations, frequent mutations, losses, sureriship, sicknesse, death of friends, & that which is the gulf of all, improuidence, ill husbandry, disorder & confusion, by which meanes they are drenched on a sudden in their estates, & at vnawares precipitated insensibly, into an inextricable labyrinth of cares, woes, want, grieve, discontent, and melancholy it selfe.

I haue done with families, and will now briefly run ouer some few sorts & conditions of men. The most secure, happy, louiall & merry in the worlds esteeme, are Princes & great men, free from melancholy, but for their cares, miseries, suspicions, lealonsies, discontents, folly, & madnesse, I referre you to *Xenophons Tyrannus*, where king *Hieron* discourseth at large with *Simonides* the Poet, of this subiect. Of all others they are most troubled with perpetuall feares, anxieties, in so much, that as he said in *Valerius*, if thou knewest with what cares & miseries this robe were stuffed, thou wouldest not stoope to take it vp. Or put case they be secure & free from feares & discontents, yet they are void of reason too oft, & precipitate in their actions, reade all our histories, *quos de stultis prodidere stulti*, *Ilades*, *Eneides*, *Annales*, and what is the subiect, *Stultorum regum, & populorum continet astus*.

How mad they are, how furious, & vpon small occasions, rash and inconsiderate in their proceedings, how they dote, euery page almost will witnesse, *delirant reges, plectuntur Achivi*.

Next in place, next in miseries and discontents, in all manner of hairbrain actions are great men, *procul a Ioue, procul a fulmine*, the neerer the worse. If they line in Court, they are vp and downe, ebbe and flow with their Princes fauours, *Ingenium vultu statq; ceditq; suo*, now aloft, to morrow down, as *Polybius* describes them, like so many casting Counters, now of gold, to morrow of silver, that vary in worth as the computant will, now they stand for unities, to morrow for thousands; now before all, and anon behinde. Beside, they torment one another with mutuall factions, emulations: one is ambitious, another enamored, a third in debt, a prodigal, ouer-runnes his fortunes, a fourth sollicitous with cares, gets nothing, &c. But for these mens discontents, anxieties, I referre you to *Lucians Tract, de mercede conductis*, *Aeneas Sylvius* (*libidinis & stultitiae seruos*, hee calls them), *Agrippa*, and many others.

Of Philosophers and Schollers, I haue already spoken in generall termes, those superintendents of wit and learning, and Minions of the Muses.

Mentemq; habere quæis bonam

Et esse a corculis datum est.

These acute and subtle Sophisters so much honored, haue as much need of Hellebor as others.

Medici mediam pertundite venam.

Read *Lucians Piscator*, and tell how he esteemed them? *Agrippa's Tract* of the vanity of Sciences, nay read their own workes, their absurd Tenents, prodigious paradoxes, & *resum teneat is amici*? you shall finde that of *Aristotle*, true, *nullum magnum ingenium sine mixtura dementiae*, they haue a worme as well as others. And they that teach wisdom, patience, meeknesse, are the

When pride and beggery meete in a family, they roare and howle, and cause as many flashes of discontent, as fire and water, when they concur, make thunder claps in the skies.

Lib 7. cap. 6.

Pellitur in bellis sapientia, vigerit res. Vetus proverbium, aut regem aut satrum nasci oportet.

Lib. i. hist. Rom. Similes a baculorum calulis, secundum compitantiis arbitrium, modis erei sunt, modis aurei, ad autum regis nunc beatissimi, nunc miseri.

Arum nosq; Solones. In Sa. 3 De miser. curialium.

I. Doule Epist. lib. 1. car. 13.

Hoc cognomento cohonestati Romæ, qui ceteras mortales sapientia præflarent. testis

Plin. lib. 7. c. 31

Infinite parant certam rationem modis, mad by the booke they.

† Iuvenalis.

† Solomon
‡ Communis ir-
rator stulticie.

¶ Wit, whether
wilt?

† Ennius.

† Lucian. Ter-
mille drachmis
olim empti stu-
dens indocti
entiam adipisce-
tur.

¶ Epist. 21. l.
lib. non o. ortet
orationem sapi-
entis esse polita,
aut sollicitam.

¶ Lib. 2. c. 13.
multo anhelum
in statione su-
rentes pectus,
frontem cadu-
tes, &c.

† Lipsius. Voces
sunt, preterea
nihil.

¶ In Gorg. Pla-
tonis.

¶ In Naugerio.

¶ Si furor sit Ly-
cus, &c. quo ies
sit, furit, fu-
rit, amans, bi-
bns, & Poeta,
&c.

¶ Morus Prop.
lib. 1.

† Epist. 16.

veriest dizards, hairbraines, and most discontent. [¶] In the multitude of wise-
dome is griefe, and he that increaseth wisdom, increaseth sorrow. I need not
quote mine Author, they that laugh & contemne others, condemne the
world of folly, are as ridiculous, & lie as open as any other. [¶] Democritus that
common flower of folly, was ridiculous himselfe; and barking Menippus,
scotting Lucian, satyricall Lucilius, Petronius, Varro, Persius, &c. may be cen-
sured with the rest. Bale, Erasmus, Hospinian, Vives, Kemnissius, explode as a
vast Ocean of Obs and Sols, Schoole diuinity, [¶] A labyrinth of intricate que-
stions, vnprofitable contentions, *incredibilem delirationem*, one calls it. If di-
uinity be so censured, & *corculum Theologia*, Thomas himselfe, what shall be-
come of humanity? *Ars stulta*, what can she plead? What can her followers
say for themselves. Much learning [¶] *cere-diminuit-brum*, hath crackt their
skonce, & taken such root, that *tribus Anticyris caput insanabile*, Hellebor
it selfe can do no good, nor that renowned [†] *lant horne* of Epictetus, by which
if any man studied, he should be as wise as he was. But all will not serue. Rhe-
toricians, Orators can perswade other men what they will, *quo volunt, unde
volunt*, moue, pacifie, &c. but cannot settle their owne braines, what saith
Tully? *malo indiseretam prudentiam, quam loquacem stultitiam*; and as [¶] Seneca
seconds him, a wise mans Oration should not be polite or sollicitous. [¶] Fa-
bius esteemes no better of most of them, either in speech, action, gesture,
then as men beside themselves, so doth Gregory, *Non mihi sapit qui sermone,
sed qui factus sapit*. Make the best of him, a good Orator, is a turnecoar, his
tongue is set to sale, he is a meere voice, as [¶] the said of a Nightingale, *dat sine
mente sonum*, an hyperbolical lier, a flatterer, a parasite, which made [¶] Socrates
so much abhorre & explode them. [¶] Fracastorius a famous Poet, freely grants
all Poets to be mad, & so doth [¶] Scaliger, & who doth not: *aut insanit homo,
aut versus facit*, Hor. Sat. 7. l. 2. *Insanire lubet, i. versus componere*. Virg. 3. Egl.
so Seruius interprets it, al Poets are mad. You may giue that censure of them
in generall, which [¶] St Thomas Moore once did of Germanus Brixius Poems in
particular.

— *uehuntur* —
In rate stulticia syluam habitant Furie.

Budeus in an Epistle of his to Lupsetus, will haue ciuill Law to belthe Towre
of wisdom, another honours Physick, the Quintessence of Nature, a third
tumbles them both downe, & sets vp the flagge of his own peculiar science.
Your supercilious Criticks, Notemakers, curious Antiquaries, finde out all
the ruines of wit amongst the rubbish of old wrirers, [¶] *Pro stultis habent nisi
aliquid sufficient inuenire, quod in aliorum scriptis vertant vitio*, all fooles
with them that cannot find fault, they correct others, and are hore in a colde
cause, puzzel themselves to find out how many streets in Rome, houses, gates,
towres, Homers country, Aeneas mother, an Sapho publica fuerit, &c. & alia
que dediscenda essent iure, si scires, as [¶] Seneca holds, What cloaths the Sena-
tors did weare in Rome, what shooes, how they sate, where they went to the
closettoole, how many dishes in a messe, what sawce; which for the present
for an historian to relate, is very ridiculous, is to them most precious elabo-
rate stuffe, & they admired for it, *Quosvis auctores absurdis commentis suis per-
cacant & stercorant*, one saith, they bewray and dawbe a company of bookes
and good Authors, with their absurd Comments, and shew their wit in cen-
suring others, a company of foolish Notemakers, that preferre a manufcript
many

many times before the Gospell it selfe, & with their *deleatur d, alij legunt sic,*
mens codex sic habet, &c. make bookes deare, themselves ridiculous, and doe
 no body good. But I dare say no more of, for, with, or against them, because
 I am liable to their lash, as well as the rest. Of these and the rest of our Artists
 and Philosophers, I will generally conclude, they are a kinde of madmen, as
 † *Seneca* esteemes of them, to make doubts & scruples, how to read the truly,
 to mend old Authors, but will not mend their own liues, or teach vs, *ingenia*
sanare, memoriam officiorum ingerere, ac fidem in rebus humanis retinere,
 to keep our wits in order, or rectifie our manners. *Numquid tibi demens vi-*
detur, si istis operam impendero, is not he mad that draws lines with *Archime-*
des, whilst his house is ransacked, & his city besieged, when the whole world
 is in combustion, or wee whilst our soules are in danger, *mors sequitur, vi-*
ta fugit, to spend our time in toyes, idle questions, and things of no worthe.
 That ¶ *Louers* are mad, I thinke no man will deny, *Amare simul & sapere,*
ipsi Iovi non datur, Iupiter himselfe cannot intend both at once,

† *Non bene conveniunt, nec in una sede morantur*

Majestas & amor.

Tully when he was invited to
 a second marriage, replied he could not, *simul amare & sapere,* be wise, & loue
 both together. *Est orcus ille, vis est immedicabilis, est rabies insana,* loue is
 madnesse, a hell, an incurable disease, *impotentem & insanam libidinem,* & *Se-*
peca calls it, an impotent and raging lust. I shall dilate this subject apart, in
 the meane time let *Louers* sigh out the rest.

¶ *Nevisanus* the Lawyer holds it for an axiome, most women are fooles,
 * *consilium feminis invalidum;* *Seneca* men, I could cite more proofes, and a
 better Author, but for the present, let one foole point at another. * *Nevisa-*
nus hath as hard an opinion of † rich men, *wealth and wisdom cannot dwell*
together, stultitiam patiuntur opes, y and they doe commonly * *insanare cor*
hominis, besot men, and as we see it, *fooles have fortune.* For besides a natu-
 rall contempt of learning, which accompanies such kind of men, innate idle-
 nesse, (for they will take no paines) and which † *Aristotle* obserues, *ubi mens*
plurima, ibi minima fortuna; ubi plurima fortuna, ibi mens perexigua, great
 wealth, and little wit goe commonly together: besides this inbred neglect of
 liberall Sciences, and al arts, which should *excolere mentem,* polish the mind,
 they haue most part some gullish humor or other, by which they are led, one
 is an Epicure, an Atheist, a gamester, a third a whoremaster,

—† *hic nuptiarum insanit amoribus, hic puerorum,*

z one is mad of hawking, hunting, cocking, another of carousing, horse-ri-
 ding, spending: a fourth of building, fighting, &c.

Insanit veteres statuas, Damascippus emendo,

Damascippus hath a humour of his owne, to be talkt of: a *Heliodorus* the *Car-*
thaginian another. In a word, as *Scaliger* concludes of them all, they are *sta-*
tue cretae stultitiae, the very statues or pillars of folly. Chuse out of all stories
 him that hath bin most admired, *Alexander* a worthy man, but furious in
 his anger, ouertaken in drinke; *Cesar* and *Scipio* valiant and wise, but vaine-
 glorious, ambitious: *Vespasian* a worthy Prince, but couetous, ¶ *Hannibal* as
 he had mighty vertues, so had he many vices, *unam virtutem mille vicia co-*
mitantur, as *Machiavel* of *Cosmus Medices,* hee had two distinct persons in
 him, I will determine of all, they are like double pictures; they are wise

† *Lib de benefi-*

cus.

‡ *Delirio &*

Amens dicatur

merito. Hor. Se-

neca.

¶ *Ovid Met.*

† *Plutarchus A-*

matovio. Ist amor

insanus.

¶ *Epist. 39.*

¶ *Sylve nuptia-*

alis, lib. i. n. m.

¶ *Ommes mu-*

lieres ut plurimū

stulta.

¶ *Aristote.*

¶ *Lib. i. num. ii.*

¶ *Spientia & di-*

vine vix simul

possideri possunt.

† They get

their wisdom

by eating py-

erist some.

¶ *Xenocrata*

re. S. v. r. c.

Y. r. t. a. c. o. g.

o. u. n.

¶ *Opes quidem*

mortalibus suis

amentia. Theo-

gonis.

¶ *Fortuna nimis*

quem fouet, stul-

tum facit.

† *Mag. moral.*

lib. 2. & lib. 1.

metaph.

† *Hor. ser. 1.*

sat. 4.

¶ *Infana gula,*

insana substructio-

nes insanam

venandi studium

discordia de-

mens. Virg. Aen.

¶ *Heliodorus*

Carthaginensis

ad extremum

orbis sarcophago

testamento me-

hic iussi condier,

et ut viderem

an quis insano-

ad me videret, um

usq. ad huc oca

penetraret. Or-

telius in Gad.

¶ *Livy, Ingentes*

virtutes, inges-

tia vitia.

on the one side, and fooles on the other. I will say nothing of their diseases, emulations, and such miseries, let pouerty plead the rest in *Aristophanes Plutus*.

Couetous men amongst others, are most mad, they haue all the Symptomes of Melancholy, feare, sadnesse, suspition, &c. as shall be proued in his proper place.

Danda est Hellebori multo pars maxima avaris, I might say the like of angry, peeuish, enuious, ambitious, *Anticyrus meli-*

a Hor. Quisquis ambitione mala aut argenti pallescit amore, Quisquis luxuria, trisq; superstitioe.

c Pers. Orat. de Imag. ambiciosus & audax nauiget Anticyrus.

† Nautis stulta, que continua mouetur, nauis stultis qui se periculis exponunt, aqua insana que sic fremit, &c.

† aer iactatur, &c. qui mari se committit, stolidum unum terra su-

giens, 4. m. i. uauent. Gaspar. Ens Moros.

† Cap. de alien. mentis.

h Dipnosophist. lib. 8.

i Tibicines mente capti. Erasim. Cbil. 4. cent. 7.

† Prou. 30. Insana libido. Hic rogo non furor est, non est hæc mentula demens.

† Mart. epig. 74. lib. 3.

† Mille puellarum & puero- rum mille furores.

† Vter est insanius huius Hor. Ouid. Virg. Pli.

† Plin. lib. 36. Ouid. 7. met.

† E fungis nati homines, ut olim Corinthi primæ-

† vi illius loci ac-

† sole, quia stolidi & fatui fungis nati dicebantur, idem & alibi dicas.

or forbere meracas: Epicures, Atheists, Schismatickes, Heretickes, *bi omnes habent imaginationem lesam* (saith *† Nymannus*) and their madnesse shall be euident, *2 Tim. 3. 9. † Fabatus an Italian, holdes Seafaring men all mad, the ship is mad, for it neuer stands still: the mariners are mad to expose themselves to such imminent dangers; the waters are raging mad, in perpetuall motion; the winds are as mad as the rest; they know not whence they come, whither they would go; and those men are maddest of all that goe to Sea, for one foole at home, they finde foure abroad: and he was a madman that said it.*

† Felix Platerus is of opinion, all Alcumists are mad, out of their wittes, *h* *Athenæus* saith as much of Fiddlers, *i* Musicians, *omnes tibicines insaniunt, ubi semel efflant, a volat illico mens*, in comes Musick at one eare, out goes wit at another. Proud and vaine-glorious persons are certainly mad, and so are lasciuious, I can feele their pulses beate hither, horne mad some of them, to let others lye with their wiues, and winke at it.

To insist in all particulars, were an *Herculean* taske, to reckon vp *†* *insanas substructiones, insanos labores*: madde labours, endeaours, carriages, grosse ignorance, ridiculous actions, absurd gestures, *insanam gulam, insaniam villarum, insana iurgia*, as *Tully* tearmes them: madnesse of Villages, hypocrisie, inconstancy, blindnes, rashnesse, *dementem temeritatem*, flattery, co-

senage, malice, anger, ingratitude, ambition, &c. brawles, conflicts, desires, contentions, it would aske an expert *Vesalius* to anaromise euery member. Shall I say? *Iupiter* himselfe, *Apollo, Mars, &c.* doted, and monster-conquering *Hercules* that could subdue the world and helpe others, could not relieue himselfe in this, but mad he was at last. And where shall a man walke, converse with whom, in what Prouince, City, & not meet with Segnior *Deliro*, or *Hercules Furens, Menades, & Corybantes*? Their speeches say no lesse. *h* *E fungis nati homines*, or else they fetchd their pedegree from those that were stroke by *Sampson* with the lawbone of an asse: Or from *Deucalion* and *Pyr-*

rha's stones, for *Durum genus sumus, * marmorei sumus*, wee are stony hearted,

and fauour too much of the stocke, as if they had all heard that enchanted horne of *Astolpho* that *English Duke* in *Ariosto*, which neuer sounded but all

his Auditors were mad, and for feare ready to make away themselves; *P* or landed in that mad haue in the *Euxine Sea* of *Daphnis insana*, all madde.

Whom shall I except? such as are silent, *vir sapit qui pauca loquitur*, † no better way to avoid folly and madnesse, then by taciturnity. Whom next? *Sto-*

icks? Sapiens Stoicus, and he alone is subiect to no perturbations, as † *Plutarch*

scoffes at him, *he is not vexed with torments, or burnt with fire, soild by his ad-*

† *Famian Strade* de bainis, de marmore semisculpti. *†* *Ari-*

anus periplo maris Euxini, portus eius meminit, & *Gilius* lib. 3. de Bosphor. Thracio & laurus in on. que altata. in convivium con-

uivias omnes insani affectu. *Guliel. Stuckius* coment. &c. † *Sin titium simulare non potes nisi taciturnitate.* † *Exorius* non cruciatur ambustus non leditur, prostratus in luctu non vincitur, non fit captiuus ab hoste venundatus, etsi rugosus senex edentulus luscus deformis, formosus tamen, & deo similis, felix diues rex nullius egeus, etsi denario non sit dignus.

versary, sold of his enemy: though he be wrinkled, and blind, toothlesse, & deformed; yet he is most beautifull and like a God, a king in conceit, though not worth a groat. He neuer dotes, neuer mad, neuer sad, drunke, because vertue cannot be taken away, as ^a Zeno holds, by reason of a strong apprehension, but he was mad to say so. ^r Anticyra celo huic est opus aut dolabra, he had need to be bored, & so had all his fellowes, as wise as they will seeme to be. Chrysippus himselfe liberally grants them to be fooles, as well as others, at sometimes, vpon some occasions, *Amitti virtutem ait per ebrietatem, aut atribilarium morbum*, it may be lost by drunkennesse or melancholy, he may bee sometime crazed as well as the rest, ¹ *ad summum sapiens nisi quum pituita molesta*. I should here except that omniscious, onely wise fraternity ^r of S. Roses Crosse, if at least there be any such, Hen. Neubusius makes a doubt of it; & Elias artifex their Theophrastian master; whom though Libanius and others deride & carpe at, yet some will haue him to be the ^r renner of all arts and sciences, and now living, for so Iohannes Montanus Strigoniensis that great patron of Paracelsus contends and certainly averres, ^a a most diuine man, and the quintessence of wisdom where soeuer he is, for he, his fraternity, friends, &c. they are all ybetrotted to wisdom, if we may beleue their Disciples and followers. I must needs except ^r Lipsius, and the Pope, & expunge their name out of the Catalogue of fooles. For Lipsius saith of himselfe, that he was ^r *humani generis quidam pædagogus voce & stylo*, a grand Segnior, a Master, a Tutor of vs all, & for thirteene yeares he bragges, how he sowed wisdom in their Low-countries, ^a *cum humanitate litterarum & sapientiam cum prudentia*; he shall be *Sapientum octauus*. The Pope is more then a man, as ^b his parasites often make him, a demi god, and besides he cannot erre: and yet some of them haue bin Magitians, Heretickes, Atheists, children, and as Platina saith of Iohn, 22. *Et si vir literatus, multa soliditatem & leuitatem praeferentia egit, solidi & solidi vir ingenij*, a scholler sufficient, yet many things he did foolishly, lightly. I can say no more then, but they are all mad, their wits are evaporated, & as Ariosto faignes lib. 34. kept in iarres about the Moone.

Some loose their wits with loue, some with ambition,

Some following ^a Lords, and men of high condition,

Some in sayre iewels rich and costly set,

Others in Poetry their wits forget.

Another thinks to be an Alchemist,

Till all be spent and that his number's mist.

Conuict fooles they are, and mad men vpon record; & I am afraid past cure many of them, ^c *crepant inguina*, the Symptomes are manifest, they are all of Gotam parish: ^d *Quum furor hanc dubius quum sit manifesta phrenesis*, what remains then, ^e but to send for Lorarios officers to carry them altogether for company to Bedlam.

If any man shall aske in the meane time, who I am, that so boldly censure others, *tu nullane habes vicia?* haue I no faults. ^f Yes more then thou hast what soeuer thou art. *Nos numerus sumus*, I confesse I am as foolish, as mad as any one. ^g *Insanus vobis videor, non deprecor ipse,*

Quo minus insanus, — I doe not deny it. My comfort is, I haue more fellowes, and those of excellent note.

Scilicet Luciani in Neyeromania.

To

^a Illum con-
tendunt non in-
iuria affici, non
insania, non in-
briari, quia vir-
tus non eripitur
ob constan-
comprehensiones
Lipsius phys. Sto-
ic. lib. 3. diff. 18
^r Tarreus He-
bus epig. 102. l.
8.

^r Hor.
^r Fratres sanctae
Rosae crucis.
^a Sapientie de-
fensarii.
^r An sint quales
sint, unde nomen
illud acceperint.
^r Omnium arti-
um & scientia-
rum instaurator
^r Diuinus ille
vir auctor nota-
rum in epist.
Rog Bacon. edit.
Hamburg. 1608
^r Solus hic est
sapiens alij voli-
tant velut um-
bra.

^r In epist. ad
Balthas. More-
tum.
^a Releuatiueula
ad Batavum.
^b Felinus cum
reliquis.
^r Magnum vi-
rum sequi est
sapere. Some
thinke, others
despere.
^r Catullus.
^c Plautus Me-
nes.

^a In Sat. 14.
^c Or to send
for a cooke to
the Anticyra
to make Hel-
lebor portage
fettlebraine
portage.

*Aligantulum
tamen inde ma-
solabor, quod v-
na cum multa
& sapientibus
& celeberrimis
viris ipse in sp-
ent fin, quod de*

^r Petronius in Catale.

To conclude, this being granted that all the world is melancholy or mad, dotes, and euery member of it, I haue ended my taske, & sufficiently illustrated that which I tooke vpon me to demonstrat at first. At this present I haue no more to say, *His sanam mentem Democritus*, I can but wish my selfe, and them a good Physitian, and all of vs a better minde.

And although for these aboue named reasons, I had a iust cause to vnder- take this subiect, to point at these particular species of dotage, that so men might acknowledge their imperfections, & seeke to reforme what is amisse; yet I haue a more serious intent at this time, and to omit all impertinent digressions, to say no more of such as are improperly melancholy, or meta- phorically mad, lightly mad, or in disposition: my purpose and endeaour is, in this following discourse to Anatomise this humour of Melancholy, through all his parts and species, as it is an habit or an ordinary disease, and that philosophically, medicinically, to shew the causes, symptomes, and se- verall cures of it, that it may be the better avoided. Moued therevnto for the generality of it, and to doe good, it being a disease so frequent, as ⁱ *Mercuri- alis* obserues, in these our dayes, so often happening, saith ^k *Laurentius*, in our miserable times, as few there are that feele not the smart of it. Of the same minde is *Alian Montaltus*, ^l *Melancthon*, and others, ^m *Julius Caesar Claudi- nus*, calls it the fountaine of all other diseases, and so common in this crased age of ours, that scarce one of a thousand is free from it: and that Hypochondriacall winde especially, which proceeds from the short ribbes. Being then as it is, a disease so grievous, so common, I knowe not how to doe a more generall seruice, and spend my time better, then to prescribe meanes how to preuent and cure so vniuersall a malady, & Epidemicall disease, that so often, so much crucifies the body and minde.

If I haue ouershot my selfe in this which hath beene hitherto said, or that it hath beene, which I am sure some will obiekt, too light and Comical for a Divine, too Satyricall for one of my profession, I will presume to answer with ⁿ *Erasmus*, in like case, 'tis not I, but *Democritus*, *Democritus dixit*: you must consider what liberty those old Satyrists haue had, 'tis a *Cento* collected frō others, not I, but they that say it.

^o *Dixero si quid forte iocosus, hoc mihi inris,*

Cum veniā dabis ——— Take heed you mistake me not. If I doe

a little forget my selfe, I hope you will pardon it, & to say truth, why should any man be offended, or take exceptions at it?

——— *Licuit semperq, licebis*

Parcere personis, dicere de vitijs.

It lawfull was of old, and still will be,

To speake of vice, but let the name goe free.

If any be displeased, or take ought vnto himselfe, let him not expostulate or cauill with him that said it (so did ^p *Erasmus* excuse himselfe to *Dorpius*, (*si parua licet componere magnis*) (& so doe I) but let him be angry with himselfe that so betrayed and opened his owne faults in applying it to himselfe, & if he be guilty and deserue it, let him amend whomeuer he is, and not be angry. Hee that hateth correction is a foole, *Prov. 12. 1*. If he be not guilty, it cōcernes him not; 'tis not my freeness of speech, but a guilty conscience, a gauled backe of his owne that makes him winch.

Suspitione

² *Hec affectio nostris temporibus frequentissima.*

³ *Cap. 15. de Mel.*

¹ *De animā. no- stro hoc seculo morbus frequen- tissimus.*

^m *Consult. 93. adeo nostris tē- poribus frequen- ter ingruit ut nullus fere ab eius labe immu- nis reperiat, & omnium fere morborum occa- sio existat.*

ⁿ *Mor. Encom. si quis calumnie- tur leuius esse quam decet Theologum, aut mordacius quam deceat Christia- num.*

^o *Hor. Sat. 4. l. 1.*

^p *Epist. ad Dor- pium de Moria*

si quispiam of- fendatur et sibi

indiget, non

habet quod ex- postulet cum eo

qui scripsit, ipse

se volet, secum

agat iniuriam,

utpote sui pro- ditor, qui decla-

rauit hoc ad se

proprie pertinere

Si quis se le-

sum clamabit,

aut conscientia-

am pradi suam,

aut certe me-

cum.

Democritus to the Reader.

*Suspitione si quis errabit sua;
Et rapiet ad se, quod erit commune omnium;
Stulte nudabit animi conscientiam.*

I deny not this which I haue said saours a little of Democritus, *Quamvis ridentem dicere verum quid vetat?* one may speake in iest, and yet speak truth. Obiect then and cavill what thou wilt, I warde all with Democritus buckler; his medicine shall salue it, strike where thou wilt and when: Democritus dixit, Democritus will answer it. It was written by an idle fellow, at idle times about our Saturnalian or Dionysian feasts, when as he said *nullam libertatis periculum est*, servants in old Rome had liberty to say and doe what them list. When our countrymen sacrificed to their Goddesse *Vacuna*, and sare tippling by their *Vacuna* all fires, I writ this and published this. *Eni tunc tunc nemo nemo nihil.* The time, place, persons, and all circumstances apologize for mee, and why may I not then be idle with others? speake my minde freely, if you deny me this liberty, vpon these presumptions I will take it: I say againe, I will take it.

*† Si quis est qui dictum in se inclementius
Existimavit esse, sic existimet.*

If any man take exceptions, let him turne the buckle of his girdle, I care not. I owe thee nothing, I looke for no fauour at thine hands, I am independent, I feare not.

No, I recant, I will not, I care, I feare, I confesse my fault, acknowledge a great offence, I haue ouershot my selfe, I haue spoken foolishly, rashly, vndiscreetly, absurdly, I haue anatomized mine own folly. And now me thinks vpon a sudden I am awaked as it were out of a dreame, I haue had a raving fit, ranged vp and downe, in and out, I haue insulted ouer most kind of men, abused some, offended others, wronged my selfe, and now being recouered, and perceiuing mine errour, cry with Orlando, *Soluite me*, pardon that which is past, and I will make you amends in that which is to come; I promise you a more sober discourse in my following Treatise.

If through weaknesse, folly, passion, discontent, ignorance, I haue said amisse, let it be forgotten and forgiuen, I acknowledge that of Tacitus to be true, *Aspera facit ubi nimis ex vero traxere, acrem sui memoriam relinquunt*, a bitter jest leaues a sting behind it: and as an honorable man obserues, *They feare a Satyrists wit, be their memories.* I may iustly suspect the worst; and though I hope I haue wronged no man, yet in Medea's words I will craue pardon.

— Illud iam voce extrema peto,

Ne si qua noster dubius effudit dolor,

Mancant in animo verba, sed melior tibi

Memoria nostri subeat, hec ira data

Obliterentur

And in my last words this I doe desire,

That what in passion I haue said, or ire,

May be forgotten, and a better minde

Be had of vs, hereafter as you finde.

I earnestly request euery priuate man, as Scaliger did Cardan, not to take offence. I will conclude in his words, *Si me cognitum haberes, non solum donares nobis has facetias nostras, sed etiam indignum duceres, tam humanum animu, bene ingenium, vel minimam suspensionem deprecari oportere.* If hereafter in anatomizing

Phedrus lib. 3.

Æsop. Fab.

Ho.

† Ut lubet scri-

at abstergerem

horictus Demo-

criti Pharmac.

u. R. P. eorum

dea præesse vi-

cantibus et ori-

osis putabatur,

cui post labores

agricola sacrifi-

cabat. Plin. l. 3.

cap. 12. Ouid.

lib. 6 Fast. Iam

quæ cum fuerat

a trique sacra

Vacuna. Ant.

Vacuna. s. stat.

sedentia focos.

Rohani.

† Tac. prol. E.

nach.

† Ariosto l. 33.

Staf. 58.

† Pl. enim ex

studii gaudium

sic studiæ ex hi-

laritate prove-

niant. Plinius

Maximo suo ep.

lib. 8.

† Annual. 15.

† St. Francis

Bacon in his

Essays, no.

Vicount 5.

Albanus.

anatomizing this surly humour, my hand slip, as an vnskilfull Prentise, I launce too deep, and cut through skin and all at vnawares, or make it smart, or cut awry, y pardon a rude hand, an vnskilful knife, 'tis a most difficult thing to keep an even hand, a perpetuall tenor, and not sometimes to lash out; *difficile est Satyram non scribere*, there be so many objects to divert, inward perturbations to molest, and the very best may sometimes erre, *aliquando bonus dormitat Homerus*; it is impossible not in so much to overshoot: *opere in longo fas est obrepere somnum.*

*Quia aut in-
curia fudit, aut
humana parum
cauit natura.
Hor.*

But what needes all this? I hope there will no such cause of offence bee giuen; if there be, * *Nemo aliquid recognoscat, nos mentimur omnia.* Ile deny all (my last refuge) recant al, renounce all I haue said; but I presume of thy good fauour and gracious acceptance, and out of an assured hope and confidence thereof, I will beginne.

* *Prol. quer.
Plans.*

Lectori malè feriato.

*a Si me commo-
rie melius non
tangere clamo
Hor.*

*c Hippoc. epist.
Demageto, ac-
cerisus sum ut
Democritum
tanquam insa-
num curarem,
sed postquam
conueni non per-
lorem desipien-
tie negotium
sed rerum om-
nium receptacu-
lum deprehendi
vixq; ingenium
demonstratus sum.
Abderitanos ve-
ro tanquam non
sanos accusavi
veratri potione
ipso potius egis-
se dicens.
d Mart.*

TV verò cavesis edico quisquis es, ne temerè sugilles Au-
thorem huiusce operis, aut cavillator irrideas. Imò ne vel
ex aliorum censurâ, tacitè obloquaris (vis dicam verbo) nequid
nasutulus ineptè improbes, aut falsò singas. Nam si talis revera
sit, qualem præ se fert Iunior Democritus, seniori Democrito saltem
affinis, aut ejus Genium vel tantillum sapiat; actum de te, censo-
rem æquè ac delatorem ^d ager econtrâ (petulanti splene cùm sit)
sufflabit te in jocos, comminuet in sales, addo etiam, & Deo risui
te sacrificabit.

Iterum moneo, ne quid cavillere, ne dum Democritum Iuniorem
conviciis infames, aut ignominiosè vituperes, de te non malè
sentientem, tu idem audias ab amico cordato, quod olim vulgus
Abderitanum ab ^c Hippocrate, conciuem benè meritum & popu-
larem suum Democritum, pro infano habens. Ne tu Democrite sapi-
stulti autem & insani Abderitæ. ^f Abderitane pectora plebis habes. Hæc
te paucis admonitum volo (malè feriate Lector) abi.

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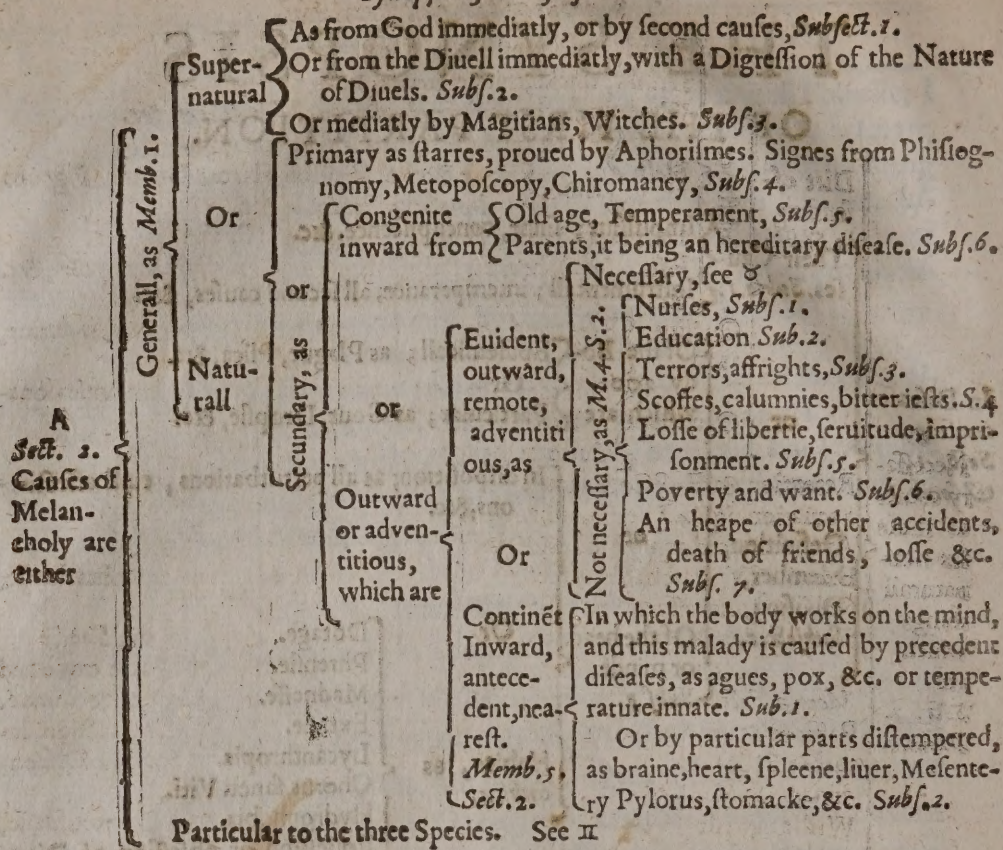
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OF THE FIRST PARTITION.

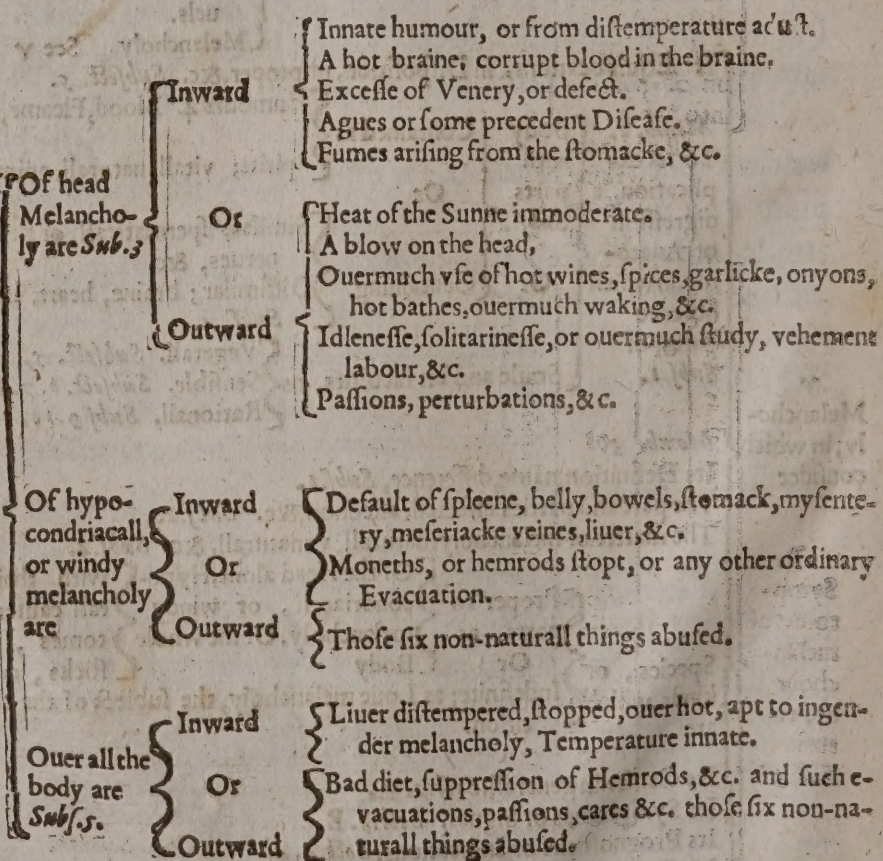
In Diseases consider. <i>Sett. 1.</i> <i>Memb. 1.</i>	Their Causes, <i>Subs. 1.</i>		Impulsive; Sinne, concupiscence, &c.	
			Instrumentall; intemperance, all second causes, &c.	
	or	Of the Body 300. which are	Epidemicall; as Plague, Plica, &c.	
			Or Particular; as Gout, Dropsie, &c.	
Definition, Member, Division, <i>Subs. 2.</i>	or	Of the head or minde. <i>Subs. 3.</i>	In disposition; as all perturbations, euill affecti- ons, &c.	
			Or	Dortage. Phrensie. Madnesse. Extasie. Lycanthropia. Chorus sancti Viti. Hydrophobia. Possession or obsession of Di- uels. Melancholy. See v
	Habits, as <i>Subs. 4.</i>			
	Its Equivocations, in Disposition, improper, &c. <i>Subs. 5.</i>			
Melancholy, in which consider	<i>Memb. 2.</i> To its ex- plication, a digression of Anato- my, in which obserue parts of <i>Subs. 1.</i>	Body hath parts <i>Subs. 2.</i>	Contained as	Humours 4. Blood, Fleame, &c.
				Spirits; vitall, naturall, animall.
		Or	Containing	Similar; spermaticall, or flesh, bones, nerues, &c.
				Dissimilar; braine, heart, liuer, &c. <i>Subs. 4.</i>
	Soule and his faculties, as	Vegetall. <i>Subs. 5.</i> Sensible. <i>Subs. 6. 7. 8.</i> Rationall. <i>Subs. 9. 10. 11.</i>		
<i>Memb. 3.</i>	Its Definition, name, difference, <i>Subs. 1.</i>			
	The part and parties affected, affection, &c. <i>Subs. 2.</i>			
	The matter of melancholy, naturall, vnnaturall, &c. <i>Subs. 4.</i>			
	Species, or kinds, which are	Proper to parts, as	Of the Head alone, Hypo- condriacall, or windy melancholy. Of the whole	with their seue- rall causes, symp- tomes, progno- sticks, cures.
	Indefinite; as Loue melancholy, the subiect of the third Par- tition.			
	Its Causes in generall. <i>Sett. 2. A.</i>			
	Its Symptomes or Signes. <i>Sett. 3. B.</i>			
	Its Prognosticks or Indications. <i>Sett. 4. C.</i>			
	Its Cures, the subiect of the second Partition.			

Synopsis of the first Partition.



II
Particular causes.

Sect. 2.
Memb. 5.



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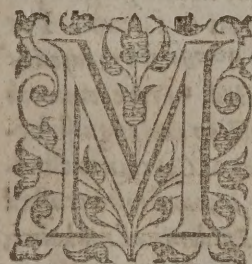
Symptomes of the first Partition.

Particular Symptomes to the three distinct spe- cies. Sect 3. Memb. 2.	Headme- lancholy. Sub. 1.	In Body	Headach, binding, heauinesse, vertigo, lightnesse, sing- ing of the eares, much waking, fixed eyes, high color, red eyes, hard belly, dry body, no great signe of me- lancholy in the other parts.
		or	
		In minde	Continuall feare, sorrow, suspition, discontent, superflu- ous cares, sollicitude, anxiety, perpetuall cogitatio of such toys they are possessed with, thoughts like dreames &c.
	Hypocō- driacal or windy melan- choly. Subs. 2.	In Body	Winde, rumbling in the guts, belly ake, heate in the bowels, convulsions, crudities, short wind, sowre and sharpe belchings, cold sweat, paine in the left side, suf- focation, palpitation, heauinesse of the heart, singing in the eares, much spittle and moist &c.
		or	
A reason of these symp- tomes. Memb. 3.		In minde	Fearefull, sad, suspitious, discontent, anxiety &c. Laf- cunious by reason of much wind, troublesome dreames, affected by fits &c.
	ouer all the body Sub. 3.	In Body	Blacke, most part leane, broad veines, grosse, thicke blood, their hemrods commonly stopped, &c.
		or	
		In minde	Fearefull, sad, solitary, hate light, auerſe from company, fearefull dreames &c.
C. Prognō- sticks of me- lancholy. Sect. 4.	Why they are so fearefull, sad, suspitious without a cause, why solitary, why melancholy men are witty, why they suppose they heare and see strange voices, visions, apparitions.		
	Why they prophesie, and speake strange languages, whence comes their crudity, rumbling, convulsions, cold sweat, heau- nesse of heart, palpitation, cardiaca, fearefull dreames, much wa- king, prodigious phantasies.		
	Morphew, Scabbes, Itch, Breaking out, &c.		
	Blacke Iandise.		
	Tending to good as		
C. Prognō- sticks of me- lancholy. Sect. 4.	If the Hemrods voluntarily open.		
	If varices appeare.		
	Tending to euill as		
	If cold, it degenerates often into Epilepsie, Apoplexie, Dotage, or into Blindnesse.		
	If hot, into madnesse, Despaire, and violent death.		
Corollaries and questions	The grieuouſnesse of this about all other Diseases.		
	The Diseases of the mind are more grieuous then those of the Body.		
Corollaries and questions	Whether it be lawfull in this case of melancholy, for a man to offer violence to himselfe. <i>Neg.</i>		
	How a melancholy or mad man offering violence to himselfe, is to be censured.		

THE FIRST PARTITION.

SECTION. THE FIRST MEMBER. SUBSECTION.

*Mans Excellency, Fall, Miseries, Infirmities,
The causes of them.*



MAN, the most excellent, and most noble creature of the World, the principall and mighty worke of God, and wonder of Nature, as Zoroaster calls him; the ^amarvail of marvails, as Plato; the ^babridgment and Epitome of the World, as Pliny tearmes him, *Microcosmus*, a little world, a modell of the World, ^cSoueraigne Lord of the Earth, and sole Commander and Gouvernour of all the Creatures in it: to whose Empire they are subiect in particular, and yeeld obedience, farre surpassing all the rest, not in body only, but in soule, ^d*Imaginis Imago*, ^ecreated to Gods owne ^fImage, to that immortal and incorporeall substance, with all the faculties and powers belonging vnto it, was at first pure, divine, perfect, happy, & Created after God in true holynesse and righteousness; *Deo congruens*, free from all manner of infirmities, and put in Paradise, to know God, to praise and glorifie him, to doe his will,

Mans Excellency.

^a *Magnum miraculum.*

^b *Mundi Epitome, nature delictie.*

^c *Finis rerum omnium cuiuslibet.*

Imitaria seruunt.

Scaliger, exercit. 365. sec. 3. Vales. de sac. Phil. c. 5.

^d *Ut in nupis. mate Caesaris Imago, sic in homine Dei.*

^e *Gen. 1.*

^f *Imago mundi in corpore, Dei in anima.*

Exemplumq. dei quod est in imagine parva.

^g *Ephes. 4. 26.*

^h *Palanierius.*

Psal. 49. 20.

Mans fall and misery.

ⁱ *Lascinia superat Equum, impudentia canem, astu Vulpem superore Leonem.*

Chrys. 23. Gen. 3. 17.

^m *Barluc. 403.*

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Ut dijs consimiles parturiat deos;
(as an old Poet saith) to propagate the Church. But this most noble Creature, *Heu tristis, & lachrymosa commutatio* (^h one exclaimes) O pittifull change his false from that he was, and forfeited his estate, become *miserabilis homuncio*, a cast-away, a catiffe, one of the most miserable creatures of the World, if he be considered in his owne nature, an vnregenerate man, and so much obscured by his fall (that some few reliques excepted) he is inferior to a beast: ⁱ *Man in honour that understandeth not, is like vnto beasts that perish*, so Dauid esteemes him: a monster by a stupend Metamorphosis, & a beast, a dogge, a hogge, what not? *Quantum mutatus ab illo?* How much altered from that he was, before blessed and happy, now miserable, accursed; ^l *He must eat his meat in sorrow*, subiect to death and all manner of infirmities, all kinde of calamities. ^m *Great trauell is created for all men, and an heauy Toke on the sonnes of Adam, from the day that they goe out of their mothers wombe, vnto that day they retorne to the mother of all things. Namely their thoughts, and*

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A description
of Melancho-
ly.Impulsive
cause of mans
misery and in-
firmities.

Gen 3. 17.

O Illa cadens
regem mari-
bus decussit, &
una Peritiam
immisit miseris
mortalibus atr.

Hesiod. 1. oper.

P Hom. 5. ad

pop. Antioch.

Psal. 107. 17

Prov. 1. 27

Quod autem

crebris bella

conouitiant, quod

sterilitas & fa-

mes sollicitudi-

nem cumulent,

quod seuenti-

bus morbis va-

lesudo frangitur,

quod humanum

genus suis popu-

latione vastatur

ob peccatum

omnia. Cypri.

Si raro desu-

per pluvia des-

cendat, si terra

sitis pulueris

squillet, si vix

ieiunas & pal-

lidus herbas, ste-

rilis gleba pro-

ducat, si turbo

vineam debilitet

&c. Cyprian.

Mar. 14. 3.

Philostatus

lib 3. vit. Apol-

lonij iniustitiam

eius, & scelera-

tas nupias, &

cetera que pre-

ter rationem se-

cerat morborum

causas dixit.

Y 16.

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Vers. 17.

feare of their hearts, and their imagination of things they wait for, and the day of death. To him that sitteth in the glorious Throne, to him that sitteth beneath in the earth and ashes, from him that is cloathed in blew silke, and weareth a Crown, to him that is cloathed in simple linnen. wrath, envy, trouble, and vnquietnesse, and feare of death, and rigor, and strife, and such things come to both Man and Beast, but seauenfold to the vngodly. All this befalls him in this life, and per-
adventure eternall misery in the life to come.

The impulsue cause of these miseries in man, this priuation or destru-
on of Gods Image, the cause of death and diseases, of all temporall and eter-
nall punishments, was the sinne of our first parent Adam, in eating of the
forbidden fruit, by the Diuels instigation and allurement. His disobedience,
pride, ambition, intemperance, incredulity, curiosity, from whence proce-
ded originall sinne, and that generall corruption of mankind, as from a
fountaine flowed all bad inclinations, and actuell transgressions, which cause
our seuerall calamities, inflicted vpon vs for our sinnes. And this belike is
that which our fabulous Poets haue shadowed vnto vs in the tale of Pandora
box, which being opened through her curiosity, filled the world full of
all manner of Diseases. It is not curiosity alone, but all other crying sinnes
of ours, which pull these seuerall plagues and miseries vpon our heads. For
Vbi peccatum, ibi procella, as P Chrysostome well obserues. Fooles by reason of
their transgressions, and because of their iniquities are afflicted. Feare commeth
like sudden desolation, and destruction like a whirlwind, affliction and anguish, be-
cause they did not feare God. Are you shaken with warres, as Cyprian well vr-
geth to Demetrius, are you molested with dearth and famine, is your health crushed
with raging diseases? is mankind generally tormented with Epidemicall maladies;
'tis all for your sinnes, Haggai the 1. 9. 10. Amos the 1. 1er. 7. God is angry, puni-
sheth and threatneth, because of their obstinacy and stubburnesse, they will
not turne vnto him. If the earth be barren then for want of raine, if dry and
squalid, it yeld no fruit, if your fountaines be dried vp, your wine, corne, and oyle
blasted, if the aire be corrupted, and men troubled with diseases, 'tis by reason of
your sinnes. Which like the blood of Abel cry lowd to heauen for vengeance,
Lament. 1er. cap 5. 15. that wee haue sinned, therefore our hearts are heauie, Isay
59. 11. 12. wee roare like Beares, and mourne like Doves, and want health, &c. for
our sinnes and trespasses. But this we cannot endure to heare, or to take notice
of it. 1er. 2. 30. we are smitten in vaine, and receiue no correction, & cap. 5. 3. Thou
hast stricken them, but they haue not sorrowed, they haue refused to receiue correcti-
on, they haue not returned. Herod could not abide Iohn Baptist, and Domitian
could not endure Apollonius to tell the causes of the plague at Ephesus, his in-
iustice, his incest, adultery, and the like.

To punish therefore this blindnesse and obstinacy of ours, as a concommi-
tant cause, and principall agent, is Gods iust iudgment, in bringing these ca-
lamities vpon vs, to chastise vs, I say, for our sinnes, & to satisfie Gods wrath.
For the Law requires obedience or punishment, as you may read at large,
Deut. 28. 15. If they will not obey the Lord, and keepe his Commandements and Or-
dinances, then all these curses shall come vpon them. Cursed in the towne and in
the field &c. Cursed in the fruit of the body &c. The Lord shall send thee trou-
ble and shame, because of thy wickednesse. And a little after, The Lord shall smite
thee with the botch of Egypt, and with Emroids, and with Scab and Itch, and thou
canst

canst not be healed, ^c with madnesse, blindnesse, and astonishing of heart. This Paul seconds, Rom. 2. 9. Tribulation and anguish on the soule of every man that doth euill. Or else these chastisements are afflicted vpon vs for our humiliation, to exercise and try our patience here in this life, to bring vs home, to make vs know God and our selues, to informe vs, and teach vs wisdom. ^d Therefore is my people gone into captiuitie, because they had no knowledge, therefore is the wrath of the Lord kindled against this people, and he hath stretched out his hand vpon them. He is desirous of our saluation, ^e *Nostre salutis avidus*, saith Lemnius, and for that cause pulls vs by the eare many times, to put vs in minde of our duties. That they that erred, might haue vnderstanding (as Isay speaks 29. 21) and so be reformed. I am afflicted, and at the point of death, as Dauid confesseth of himselfe, Psal. 88. 15. & ver. 9 mine eies are sorrowfull through mine affliction. And that made him turne vnto God. Great Alexander in the midst of all his prosperity, by a company of Parasites deified, and now made a God, when he saw one of his wounds bleed, remembered that he was but a man, and remitted of his pride. In morbo recolligit se animus, as ^f Pliny well perceived, In sicknesse, the minde reflects vpon it selfe, and with iudgement suruayes it selfe, and abhorres its former courses, in so much that he concludes to his friend Marius, & that it were the period of all Philosophy, if we could so continue being sound, or performe but a part of that which we promised to doe, being sicke. Who so is wise then, will consider these things, as Dauid did, Psal. 144. verse last. And whatsoever fortune befall him, make vse of it. If he be in sorrow, need, sicknesse, or any other aduersity, seriously to recount with himselfe, why this or that malady, misery, this or that incurable disease is inflicted vpon him; it may be for his good, ^h *sic expedit*, as Peter said of his daughters ague. Bodily sicknesse is for his soules health, *perisset nisi perisset*, had he not bene visited, he had vtterly perished, for ⁱ the Lord correcteth him whom he loueth, euen as a father doth his child in whom he delighteth. If hee be safe and sound on the other side, and free from all manner of infirmity, ^k & cui

Gratia, forma, valetudo contingat abunde,

Et mundus victus non deficiente crumena.

And that he haue grace, beauty, fauour, health,

A cleanly diet, and abound in wealth.

Yet in the midst of all his prosperity, let him remember that caveat of Moses, ^l beware that he doe not forget the Lord his God, that he be not puffed vp, but acknowledge them to be his good gifts and benefites, and ^m the more he hath, to be more thankfull, (as Agapetianus aduise) and vse them aright.

Now the instrumentall causes of these our infirmities, are as diuers, as the infirmities themselues, starres, heauens, elements, &c. and all those creatures which God hath made, are armed against sinners. They were indeed once good in themselues, and that they are now many of them pernicious vnto vs, is not in their nature, but our corruption, which hath caused it. For from the fall of our first parent Adam, they haue bene changed, the earth accursed, the influence of starres altered, the foure Elements, Beasts, Birds, Plants, are now ready to offend vs. The principall things for the vse of man are Water, Fire, Iron, Salt, Meale, wheate, Hony, Milke, Oile, wine, Cloathing, good to the Godly, to the Sinners turned to euill, Eccles 39. 26. Fire, and Haile, and Famine, and Dearth, all those are created for vengeance, Eccles 39. 29. The Heauens threaten

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Deus quos diligit, castigat.

^u Isay 5. 13.

Ver. 15.

^e *Nostre salutis avidus*, continenter aures vellicat, accalaminat subinde nos exercet. Levinus Lemm. l. 2.

c. 29 de occultis nat. mir.

^f *Vexatio dat intellectum.*

Esay 28. 19.

^g Lib. 7. Cum inducio mores & facta recognoscit, & se inuenit.

^h Dum fero languorem, fero religionis amoris.

ⁱ Expers languoris non sum, memor huius amoris.

^j Summum esse totius Philosophiae, ut tales esse perseveremus, quales nos futuros esse confirmamur.

^k Petrarb.

^l Prov. 3. 12.

^m Hor. Epist. lib. 1. 4.

ⁿ Deut. 8. 17.

^o Qui stat videatur ne cadat.

^p Quanto maioribus beneficiis a deo cumulatur, tanto obligatorem se debitorum fateri.

Instrumentall cause of our infirmities.

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vs with their Comets, Starres, Planets, with their great coniunctions, Eccipses, Oppositions, Quartiles, and such vnfriendly Aspects. The Aire with his Meteors, Thunder and Lightning, intemperate heat & cold, mighty windes, tempests, vnseasonable weather; from which proceede dearth, famine, plague, and all manner of Epidemicall diseases; consuming infinite myriads of men. At *Cayro* in Egypt, euery third yeare, (as it is related by ^m *Boterus* & others, 300000. dye of the plague, and 20000. in *Constantinople*, euery fift or seuenth) at the vtmost. How doth the Earth terrifie and oppresse vs with those terrible Earthquakes, which are most frequent in ⁿ *China*, *Iapan*, and those Easterne Climes, swallowing vp sometimes sixe Citties at once? How doth the water rage with his inundations, irruptions, flinging downe Townes, Citties, Villages, Bridges &c. besides shipwraques, whole Ilands are sometimes suddenly ouerwhelmed with all their Inhabitants, in ^o *Zeland*, *Holland*, and many parts of the Continent drowned, as the *Plake Erno* in *Ireland*? ¶ *Nihilq. prater arcium cadauera Patenti cernimus freta*. In the fennes of *Freeiland* 1230. by reason of tempests, * the Sea drowned *multa hominum millia, & iumenta sine numero*, all the countrey almost, men and cattell in it. How doth the Fire rage, that mercilesse Element, consuming in an instant whole Citties? What towne of any antiquity or note, hath not beene once, againe and againe, by the fury of this mercilesse element, defaced, vtterly ruined, and left desolate? In a word,

^m *Boterus de An. ar. diu.*

ⁿ *Lege hist. relationem Lod. Frois de reb. Japonicis ad an. num 15. 6.*

^o *Guicciard de scrip. Belg. anno 1421.*

^p *Giraldus Cambrensis.*

^q *Ianus Doula ep. lib. 1. car. 10.*

^r *Munster lib. 3. Cap. cap. 462.*

^t *Buchananus de rebus.*

Ignis pepercit, unda mergit, aeris

Vis pestilentis aquori ereptum necas,

Bello superstes, tabidus morbo peris.

Whom Fire spares, Sea doth drowne; whom Sea,

Pestilent aire doth send to clay,

Whom warre scapes, sicknesse takes away.

To descend to more particulars, how many creatur. s are at deadly feud with men? Lions, Wolues, Beares &c. Some with hooves, hornes, tuskes, teeth, tailes: How many noxious Serpents and venomous creatures, ready to offend vs with stings, breath, sight, or quite kill vs? How many pernicious fishes, plants, gummes, fruits, seedes, flowres &c. could I reckon vp on a suddaine, which by their very smell many of them, touch, taste, cause some grievous malady, if not death it selfe? Some make mention of a thousand seuerall poysons: but these are but trifles in respect. The greatest enemy to man, is man, who by the Diuels instigation, is still ready to doe mischief, his own executioner, a Wolfe, a Diuell to himselfe, and others.

Homo homini lupus, homo homini demon.

^o *Ouid. de Trist. lib. 5. Eleg. 7.*

^r *Miscene aconit. nouerca.*

* *Vix sunt homines hoc nomine digni,*

Quamq. lupi, seua plus feritatis habent.

Sometimes by the Diuels helpe, as Magicians, ^r Witches: sometimes by impostures, mixtures, poysons, stratagemmes, single combats, warres. We hacke and hewe, as if we were *ad interuicem natu*, like *Cadmus* souldiers, borne to consume one another. 'Tis an ordinary thing to read of an 100000. and two hundred thousand men staine in a battaile. Besides all manner of tortures, brasen bulls, racks, wheelles, strappadoes, gunnes, engines, &c. ^r *Ad unum corpus humanum supplicia plura, quam membra*: Wee haue invented more torturing instruments, then there be seuerall members in a mans body, as *Cyprian* well obserues. To come neerer yet, our owne parents

^r *Lib. 2. epist. 2. ad Donatum.*

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by their offences, indiscretion, and intemperance are our mortall enemies.

^a The fathers haue eaten sower grapes, and the childrens teeth are set on edge. They cause our grieffe many times, and put vpon vs hereditary diseases, ineuitable infirmities: They torment vs, and we are as ready to iniure our posterity.

---- ^u *max daturi progeniem viciore*, and the latter end of the world, as ^a Paul foretold, is still like to be worst. We are thus bad by nature, bad by kinde, but farre worse by art, euery man the greatest enemy vnto himselfe.

We studie many times to vndoe our selues, abusing those good gifts which Cod hath bestowed vpon vs, Health, Wealth, Strength, Wit, Learning, Art, Memorie, to our owne destruction, *Perditio tua ex te*. As ^a Iudas Maccabe-

us killed *Apollonius* friends with his owne weapons, wee arme our selues to our owne ouerthrowes, and vse Reason, Art, Iudgement, all that should help

vs, as so many instruments to vndoe vs. So *S. Austin* acknowledgeth of himselfe in his humble confessions, *promptnesse, of wit, Memory, Eloquence, they were Gods good gifts, but he did not vse them to his glory*. If you will particularly

knowe how, and by what meanes, consult Physitians, and they will tell you, that it is in offending in some of those six non-naturall things, of which I

shall after ^a dilate more large, they are the causes of our infirmities, our sur-
fetting & drunkennesse, our immoderate insatiable lust, and prodigious riot.

Plures crapula, quam gladius, it is a true saying, the borde consumes more then the sword. Our intemperance it is, that pulls so many seuerall incurable dis-

eases vpon our heads, that hastens ^b old age, peruersts our temperature, and brings vpon vs sudden death. And last of all, that which crucifies vs most, is

our owne folly, weaknesse, want of gouernment, our facilitie and pronenes in yeelding to our seuerall lusts, and giuing way to euery passion and pertur-

bation of the minde: by which meanes we metamorphize our selues, and de-
generate into beasts. All which that Prince of ^c Poets obserued of *Agamem-*

non, that when he was well pleased, and could moderate his passion, hee was

--- *es oculosq. Ioni par*: like *Iupiter* in feature, *Mars* in valour, *Pallas* in wildome,

another God; but when he was angry, he was a Lion, a Tiger, a Dogge, &c.

there was no signe or likenesse of *Iupiter* in him; so we, as long as we are ru-
led by reason, as long as we correct our inordinate appetite, and conforme

our selues to Gods word, are as so many lining Saints: but if wee giue reines
to Lust, Anger, Ambition, Pride, and follow our owne waies, we degenerate

into beasts, transforme our selues, ouerthrowe our constitutions, ^d prouoke
God to anger, and heape vpon vs this of *Melancholy*, and all manner of incu-
rable diseases, as a iust and deserued punishment of our sinnes.

SVBSEC. 2.

MEMB. I.

The { Definition
Number
Division } of Diseases

V What a Disease is, almost euery Physitian defines. ^e *Fernelius* calleth
it an Affection of the body, contrary to Nature. ^f *Fuschius* and *Crato*,

tra namque corpori insidens, ^f *Fusch. Insitut. lib. 3. Sect. 1. cap. 3. a quo primum videtur affio.*

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^a Ezech. 18. 2.

^a *Max. lib. 3.*

^b *Od. 6.*

^a *2. Tim. 3. 2.*

^a Ezech. 18. 31

^a Macc. 3. 12.

^a *at*

^a Part. 1. Sec. 2.

Memb. 2.

^b *Nequitia est*

que te non facit

esse senem.

^c *Homer. Iliad.*

^e *Intemper-*

cia, luxus, Ingu-

vies, & infinita

huiusmodi flagi-

tia, qua diuina

pena merentur.

Crato.

^e *Fern. Part. 1.*

^f *cap. 1. morbus*

est affectus con-

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2 Dissolutio fe-
deris in corpore,
et sanitas est
consummatio.

3 Lib. 4. cap. 2.
morbus est habi-
tus contra natu-
ram, qui usum
eius, &c.

Number of
Diseases.
1 Cap. 1. lib. 7.
1 Horat.

1 No man free
from some
Disease or o-
ther.

1 Cap 50 lib 7.
Centum et quin-
quaginta annos sine
ullo incommodo.

1 Intus malis
foras oleo.

1 Exemplis ge-
nitur, prefixis
Ephemer cap. de
infirmis.

1 Qui quondam
puerile vlti-
mam memoriam
recordari potest,
non meminit se
egrotum decem-
buisse.

1 Lib. de vitæ
longæ.

1 Oper. & dies.

Diuisiō of
Diseases.

1 See Ferrulius
Path. lib. 1. cap.
9. 10. 11. 12.
Fuschius instit.
lib. 3. sect. 1. c. 7.
Wacker Syntax.

an hinderance, hurt, or alteration of any action of the Body, or part of it. 3 Tholo-
sanus, a dissolution of that league which is betweene Body and Soule, and a pertur-
bation of it: as health is the perfection, and makes to the preservation of it. 4 Labes
in Agellius, an ill habit of the Body, opposite to nature, hindering the use of it. O-
thers otherwise, all to this effect.

How many Diseases there are, is a question not yet determined. 1 Pliny
reckons vp 300. from the Crowne of the Head, to the sole of the Foot: else-
where he saith, *morborum infinita multitudo*, their number is infinite: How so-
euer it was in those old times, it boots not; in our dayes I am sure the num-
ber is much augmented: --- 1 *macies & noua februm,*

Terris incubuit cohors. for besides many Epi-
demicall diseases vnheard of, and altogether vnknowne to Galen and Hippo-
crates, as *Scorbutum*, *Small pox*, *Plica*, *Sweating sicknesse*, *Morbus Gallicus*, &c. we
haue many proper, and peculiar almost to euery part. No man amongst vs
so sound, of so good a constitution, that hath not some impediment of Body
or Minde. 2 *Quisq. suos patimur manes*, we haue all our infirmities, first or last,
more or lesse. There may bee peradventure in an age, or one of a thousand,
like *Zenophilus* the Musitian in 1 Pliny, that may happily liue 105. yeares, with-
out any maner of impediment. A *Pollio Romulus*, that may preserve himselfe
in with wine and oyle. A man as fortunate as *Q. Metellus*, of whom *Valerius* so
much bragges. A man as healthfull as *Otto Herwardus*, a Senator of *Aus-*
burrow in *Germanie*, whom 2 *Leonitus* the Astrologer brings in for an exam-
ple & instance of certaintie in his art. who because he had the significators in
his geniture fortunate, and free from the hostile aspects of *Saturne* & *Mars*,
being a very old man, 3 could not remember that euer he was sicke. 4 *Paracelsus*
may bragge, that he could make a man liue 400 yeares or more, if hee might
bring him vp from his infancie, and diet him as he list; and some Phisitions
hold, that there is no certaine period of mans life; but it may still by tempe-
rance, and Physicke, be prolonged. We finde in the meane time, by common
experience, that no man can escape, but that of 5 *Hesiod* is true:

Πᾶν γὰρ ὃ γὰρ ἄνθρωπος, πᾶν δὲ δάλαον,
Νῆπι δ' ἀνδρῶν περὶ ὅψιν ἡμεῖς, ἂν ἐνὶ νυκτὶ
Ἀυτοματὶ ποίτῃσι. ----

Th' earth's full of maladies, and full the Sea,
Which set vpon vs both by night and day.

If you require a more exact diuisiō of these ordinary Diseases, which
are incident to men, I referre you to Phisicians; they will tell you of *Acute* &
Chronicke, *First* and *Secundary*, *Lethales*, *Salutares*, *Errant*, *Fixed*, *Simple*, *Com-*
pound, *Connexed*, or *Consequent*, belonging to parts, or the whole, in *Habit*, or
in *Disposition*, &c. My diuisiō at this time (as most besitting my purpose) shal
be into those of the Body and of the minde. For those of the Body, a briefe
Catalogue of which *Fuschius* hath made, *Institut. lib. 3. sect. 1. cap. 1. 1.* I referre
you to those voluminous Tomes of *Galen*, *Areteus*, *Rhasis*, *Avicenna*, *Alexan-*
der, *Paulus*, *Aetius*, *Gordonius*, *Guianerius*: And those exact Neotericks, *Sava-*
narola, *Capivaccius*, *D. natus Altomarus*, *Hercules de Saxonia*, *Mercurialis*, *Victo-*
rius Fauentinus, *Wacker*, *Piso*, &c. that haue methodically, and elaborately
written of them all. Those of the Minde and Head, I will briefly handle, and
a-part.

SYBSEC. 3^a

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Division of the Diseases of the Head:

THese Diseases of the Minde, forasmuch as they haue their chiefe seate and Organs in the head, are commonly repeated amongst the diseases of the head, which are diuers, and vary much according to their sit. For in the head, as there be diuers parts, so there be diuers grieuances, which according to that diuision of *Heurnius*, (which he takes out of *Arculanus*) are inward or outward (to omit all others which belong to the Eyes and Eares, Nostrills, Gummies, Teeth, Mouth, Palat, Tongue, Wetel, Chops, Face, &c.) belonging properly to the Braine, as baldnesse, falling of haire, furfair, lice, &c. ^a Inward belonging to the skinnes next to the Braine, called *derma* and *Pia mater*, as all head-aches, &c. or to the Ventricks, Caules, Kells, Tunicles, Creekes, and parts of it, and their passions, as *Caro*, *Vertigo*, *Incubus*, *Apoplexie*, *Falling sicknesse*. The diseases of the *Nerues*; *Crampes*, *Stupor*, *Convulsion*, *Tremor*, *Palsie*; or belonging to the excrements of the Brain, as *Catarhes*, *Sneezing*, *Rhumes*, *Distillations*: or else those that pertain to the substance of the Braine it selfe, in which are conceiued, *Frensie*, *Lethargie*, *Melancholy*, *madnesse*, *weake memory*, *Sopor*, or *Coma*, *Vigilia* & *vigil Coma*. Out of these againe I will single such as properly belong to the *Phantasie*, or *Imagination*, or *Reason* it selfe, which ² *Laurentius* calls the diseases of the minde; and *Hildisheim*, *morbos Imaginationis, aut Rationis lesa*, which are three or foure in number, *Frensie*, *Madnesse*, *Melancholy*, *Dotage*, and their kindes: as *Hydrophobia*, *Lycanthropia*, *Chorus sancti Viti*, *morbi demoniaci*: which I will briefly touch and point out, insisting especially in this of *Melancholy*, as more eminent then the rest, and that through all his kindes, causes, symptomes, prognostickes, cures: As *Lonicernus* hath done *de Apoplexiâ*, and many others, of many such particular diseases. Not that I finde fault with others which haue written of this subiect before, as *Iason Pratensis*, *Laurentius*, *Montaltus*, *T. Bright*, &c. they haue done very well in their seuerall kinds and methods, yet that which one omits, another may happily see; that which one contracts, another may enlarge. To conclude with *Scribanus*, that which they haue neglected, or perfunctorily handled, we may more thoroughly examine, that which is obscurely deliuered in them, may be perspicuously dilated and amplified by us; & so may be made more familiar and easie for euery mans capacity, and common good, which is the chiefe end of my Discourse.

¹ *Prefat. de morbis capitis. In capite ut varie habitant partē, ita varie querela ibi eueniunt.*

^a Of which read *Heurnius Montaltus, Hildisheim, Quercetan, Iason Pratensis, &c.*

² *Cap. 2. de Morbis mentis.*

¹ *Cap. 2. de Pētiologia sagacit, quod alij minds recte fortasse dixerint, non examinare, melius diiudicare, corrigere stultitiam.*

SYBSEC. 4^a

Dotage, Phrensie, Madnesse, Hydrophobia, Lycanthropia, Chorus sancti Viti, Extasis.

Dotage, Fatuity, or Folly, is a common name to all the following Species, as some will haue it. ² *Laurentius* and ^a *Alsomarus* comprehend *Madnesse*, *Melancholy*, and the rest, vnder this name, and call it the *summum genus* of them all. If it be distinguished from them, it is *natural* or *ingen-*

Delirium, Dotage.
² *Cap. 4. de Morbis.*
^a *Art. Med. 6. 7.*

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mise,

8 nite, which comes by some defect of the Organs, and ouer-moist Braine, as we see in our common fooles; and is for the most part intended or remitted in most men, and thereupon some are wiser then other: or els it is acquiesce, an Appendix or Symptom of some other disease, which comes or goes; or if it continue, a signe of *Melancholy* it selfe.

Phrenico.

Phrenico, which the Greekes deriue from the word *phren*, is a Disease of the Mind, with a continual Madnesse, or Dorage, which hath an acute feauer annexed, or els an inflammation of the Braine, or the Membranes or Kells of it, with an acute feuer, which causeth Madnesse, and Dorage. It differs from *Melancholy* and *Madnesse*, because their Dorage is without an ague: this continual, with waking, or Memory decayed &c. *Melancholy* is most part silent; this clamorous, and many such like differences are assigned by Physicians.

Madnesse.

Madnesse, *Phrenico*, and *Melancholy* are confounded by *Celsus*, and many Writers, others leaue out *Phrenico*, and make *Madnesse* and *Melancholy* but one Disease, which *Iulius Pratenfis* especially labours, and that they differ onely secundum maius, or minus, in quantity alone, the one being a degree to the other, and both proceeding from one cause. They differ insensu & remissione gradu, saith *Gordonius*, as the humor is intended or remitted. Of the same minde is *Aretius*, *Alexander Trallianus*, *Guainerius*, *Savonarola*, *Hernius*, and *Galen* himselfe writes promiscuously of them both, by reason of their affinity, but most of our Neotericks doe handle them as one, whom I will follow in this treatise. *Madnesse* is therefore defined, qd. bee a vehement *Dorage*, or raving without a feuer, farre more violent then *Melancholy*, full of

Plenig. Medici
no complexio
perfringunt hos
duos morbos
quod ex eadem
causa oriatur
quod magnitudi-
dine & modo so-
lum dissent, &
alter gradus ad
alterum existat.
Iulius Pratenfis.
Lil. Med.

Pars manie
mihi videtur.

Insanus est, qui
atate debita, &
tempore debito
per se non mo-
mentaneam &
fugacem, ut vi-
ni, solani, Hyos-
cyami, sed con-
firmatam habet
impotentiam be-
ni operandi cir-
ca intellectum.

Lib. 2. de intelle-
stione.

Of which
reade Felice
Plater, ca. 3. de
mentis aliena-
tione.

Lycanthropia.

Lib. 6. cap. 11.

Lib. 3. cap. 16

Cap. 9. Art.
Med.

De prestig.
demonum, lib. 3.
cap. 21.

Observat. lib.
20. de morbis
enitri, cap. 25.

anger, and clamor, horrible looks, actions, gestures, troubling the Patient with farre greater vehemency, both of Body and Minde, without all feare & sorrow, with such impetuous force and boldnesse, that sometimes three or foure men can not hold them. Differing onely in this from *Phrenico*, that it is without a Feuer, and their Memory is most part better. It hath the same causes as the other, as Choler adust, and Blood incensed, Braines inflamed &c.

Fracastorius addes a due time, and a full age to this definition, to distinguish it from children, and will haue it to be a confirmed Impotency, to separate it from such as accidentally come and goe againe, as by taking Henbane, Nightshade, wine, &c.

Of this fury there be diuers kinde, Extasies, Enthusiasmes, Revelations, & Visions, so often mentioned by Gregory and Bede in their workes; Obsession or Possession of diuels, Sybilline Prophets, and Poëticall Furies: such as come by eating noxious Herbes, Tarantulas stinging, &c. which some reduce to this. The most knowne are these, *Lycanthropia*, *Hydrophobia*, *Chorus sancti Viti*.

Lycanthropia, which *Avicenna* calls *Cucubuth*, others *Lupinam insaniam*, or Wolfe madnesse, when men runne howling about graues and fieldes in the night, and will not be perswaded but that they are Wolves, or some such beasts. *Aretius* and *Paulus* call it a kinde of *Melancholy*, but I should rather referre it to *Madnesse*, as most doe. Some make a doubt of it, whether there be any such Disease. *Donat ab Altomari* saith, that he saw two of them in his time: *wierus* tels a story of such a one at Padua 1547, that would not beleue to the contrary, but that he was a wolfe. He hath another instance of a Spaniard, that thought he was a Beare. *Forestus* confirms as much by many examples, one amongst the rest, of which hee was an eye-witnesse, at *Altmar* in Holland, a poore Husband-man that still haunted about graues, and

and kept in Churchyards, of a pale, blacke, ugly, and fearefull look: Such be-
like, or little better, were King *Praxus* m Daughters, that thought themselves
Kine. And *Nebuchadnezzar* in *Daniel*, as some Interpreters hold, was onely
troubled with this kinde of Madnesse. This Disease perhaps gaue occasion
to that bold assertion of *Pliny*, that some men were turned into Wolves in
his time; and from Wolves to men againe: and to that fable of *Pausanias*, of a
man that was tenne yeares a Wolfe, and afterwards returned to his former
shape: to *Ovids* tale of *Lycaon* &c. He that is desirous to heare of this Dis-
ease, or of more examples, let him reade *Austin* in his 18 booke de Civitate
Dei. cap. 5. *Mizaldus* cent. 5. 77. *Skenkius* lib. 1. *Hildesheim* spicel. 2. de Mania.
Forrestus lib. 10. de morbis cerebri. *Olaus Magnus*. *Vincentinus Bellavicensis*, spicel.
met. lib. 3. cap. 122. &c. This Disease, saith *Avicenna*, troubleth men most in
February; and is now a dayes most frequent in *Bohemia* and *Hungary*, accor-
ding to *P. Herminius*. *Schradicius* will haue it common in *Lithuania*. They lye
hid most part all day, and goe abroad in the night, barking, howling, at
graves and deserts: they haue usually hollow eyes, feeble legges, and thighes, very
dry and pale, saith *Altomarius*: he giues a reason there of all the Symptomes,
and sets downe a brieue cure of them.

Hydrophobia, is a kinde of Madnesse, well knowne in euery Village, which
comes by the biting of a mad dogge, or scratching, saith *Avicenna*, or cou-
ching, or smelling alone sometimes, as *Skenkius* proues, and is incident to
many other creatures as well as men: so called, because the parties affected
cannot endure the sight of water, or any liquour, supposing full of it, as a mad
dogge in it. And which is more wonderfull, though they be very dry, (as in
this malady they are) they will rather dye then drinke. *Calius Aurelianus*,
an ancient Writer, makes a doubt whether this *Hydrophobia* be a passion of
the Body, or the Minde. The part affected is the Brain; the cause, poyson
that comes from the mad dogge, which is so hote and dry, that it consumes
all the moisture in the Body. *Hildesheim* relates of some that died so mad,
and being cut vp, had no water, scarce blood, or any moisture left in them.
To such as are so affected, the feare of water beginnes at 14 dayes after they
are bitten, to some againe, not till 40. or 60. daies after: commonly saith *Her-
minius*, they beginne to raue, flye water, and glasses, to looke red and swell in
the face, some 20. dayes after (if some remedy be not taken by the meane
time) to lye awake, to bee pensiuely sad, to see strange Visions, to barke and
howle, to fall into a swoyne, and sometimes fittes of the Falling sicknesse.
Some say, little things like whelpes will bee seene in their vynes. If any of
these signes appeare, they are past recouery. Many times these Symptomes
will not appeare, till six or seuen moneths after, saith *Codronchus*; and some-
times not till 7 or 8 yeares as *Guinnerius*, 12. 23. *Albertus*, 6 or 8 moneths
after as *Galen* holdes. *Baldus* the great Lawyer dyed of it; an *Austin Fryar*,
and a woman in *Delphe*, that were *Forrestus* Patients, were miserably con-
sumed with it. The common cure in the Countrey (for such at least as dwell
neere the Sea side) is to duche them ouer head and eares in Sea water; some
use charmes, euery goodwife can prescribe Medicines. But the best cure to
be had in such cases, is from the most approued Physitians: they that will
reade of them, may consult with *Dioscorides* lib. 6. cap. 37. *Herminius*, *Hildesheim*,
Capivaccius, *Forrestus*, *Skenkius*, and before all others *Codronchus* an Italian,

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who hath lately written two exquisite Bookes of this Subiect.

Chorus sancti Viti.

^a Lasciviam choream, To. 4. de moribus amentium, Tract. 1.
^b Eventus ut plurimum rem ipsam comprehendit.

Chorus sancti Viti, or *Saint Vitis* dance, the lascivious dance, ^a *Paracelsus* calls it, because they that are taken with it, can do nothing but dance till they be dead, or cured. It is so called, for that the parties so troubled, were wont to goe to *Saint Vitis* for helpe, & after they had danced there a while, they were ^b certainly freed. 'Tis strange to heare how long they will dance, and in what manner, ouer stooles, formes, tables, euen great bellyed women sometimes (& yet neuer hurt their childe) will dance so long, that they can stirre neither hand nor foot, but seeme to be quite dead. One in red clothes they cannot abide. Musick about all things they loue, & therefore the Magistrates in *Germany* will hire Musicians to play to them, and some lusty sturdy companions to dance with them. This Disease hath bene very common in *Germany*, as appeares by those relations of ^c *Skenkius*, & *Paracelsus* in his Book of Madnes, who brags how many seueral persons he hath cured of it. *Felix Platter*, de mentis alienat. cap. 3. reports of a woman in *Basil* whom he saw, that danced a whole moneth together. The *Arabians* call it a kinde of *Palsy*. *Bodine* in his 5. Booke de Repub. cap. 1. speaks of this infirmity, and *Monauins* in his last Epistle to *Scoltzius*, and in another to *Dudithus*, where you may reade more of it.

^d Lib. 1. cap. de Melanc.

^e Cap. 3. de mentis alienatione.
^f Cap. 4. de mel.

^d *Enschius institut* lib. 3. sect. 1. cap. 11. *Felix Platter*, ^e *Laurentius* adde to these another *Fury* that proceedes from *Loue*, and another from *Study*, another divine or religious *Fury*: but these more properly belong to *Melancholy*; of all which, I will speake t apart, intending to write a whole Booke of them.

† PART. 3.

SUBSEC. 5.

Melancholy in disposition, improperly so called. Equivocations.

Melancholy, the subiect of our present Discourse, is either in Disposition, or in Habite. In Disposition, is that transitory *Melancholy*, which goes and comes vpon euery small occasion of sorrow, need, sickness, trouble, feare, grieffe, passion, or perturbation of the Minde, any manner of care, discontent, or thought, which causeth anguish and vexation of the Spirits, any wayes opposite to pleasure, mirth, ioy, delight, or causing frowardnesse in vs, or a dislike. In which *Æquivocall* and improper sense, we call any man *Melancholy*, that is dull, heauy, sad, fowre, lumpish, ill disposed, solitary, or any way moued, or displeased. And from these *Melancholy* Dispositions, no man liuing is free, no *Stoicke*, none so wise, none so happy, none so patient, so generous, so godly, so divine, that can vindicate himselfe, so well composed, but more or lesse, sometime or other, hee feelles the smart of it. † *Adan* that is borne of a woman, is of short continuance, and full of trouble. *Zeno*, *Cato*, *Socrates* himselfe, whom ^g *Ælian* so highly commends for a moderate temper, that nothing could disturbe him, but going out, and coming in, still *Socrates* kept the same countenance, what misery soeuer befell him, (if we may beleeue *Plato* his Disciple) was much tormented with it. ^h *Q. Metellus*, in whom *Valerius* giues an instance of all happinesse, the most fortunate man then li-

^g De quo homine fecerit de quo certum gaudium quocumq; se conuertit in terrena rebus, amantissimum animi inuenit. *August.* in *Psal.* 35.

† Iob 1. 14.

^h Omi tempore *Socratem* eodem

vultu videri, seu domum rediret, seu domo egrediretur. ⁱ Lib. 7. cap. 1. *Natus* in florentissima totius Orbis ciuitate, nobilissimis parentibus, corpore vires habuit, et rarissimum animi detex, moxorem conspicuam, pudicam fulices liberos, consulari decore, sequentes triumphos, &c.

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uing borne in that most flourishing City of Rome, of noble parentage, a proper man of person, well qualified, healthfull, rich, honourable, a Senatour, a Consul, happy in his wife, happy in his children, &c. yet this man was not free from Melancholy, he had his share of sorrow. ¹ Polyrates Samius, that flung his Ring into the Sea, because he would participate of discontent with others, and had it miraculously restored to him againe shortly after, by a fish taken as hee angled, was not free from Melancholy Dispositions. No man can secure himselfe; the very gods had bitter pangs, and frequent passions, as their owne ² Poets put vpon them. In generall, ¹ as the heauen it selfe is, so is our life, sometimes faire, sometimes ouercast, tempestuous, and serene, as in a rose, flowres and prickles, in the yeare it selfe, a temperate Sommer sometimes, a hard winter, a drought, and then againe pleasant showres: so is our life intermixt with ioyes, hopes, feares, sorrows, calamities: *In vicem cedunt dolor & voluptas*, there is a succession of pleasure and paine. *in medio de fonte lepōrum,*

Surgit amari aliquid quod in ipsis floribus angat.

Euen in the middest of laughing, there is sorrow, (as ¹ Solomon holdes:) euen in the middest of all our Feasting and Jollity, as ² Austin inferres in his *Com. on the 41. Psalme*, there is sorrow and discontent. Nothing so prosperous and pleasant, but it hath some gall in it, some complaining, some grudging, 'tis all a *γλυκύμικρον*, a mixt passion. We are not here as those Angels and celestiall Powers, and Bodies, Sunne and Moone, to finish our course without all offence, with such constancy, to continue for so many ages: but subiect to infirmities, miseries, interrupt, tossed and tumbled vp and downe, carried about with euery small blast, often molested & disquieted vpon euery slender occasion, & vncertaine, brittle, and so is all that wee trust vnto. ³ And he that knowes not this, and is not armed to endure it, is not fit to liue in this world (as one condoles our time) hee knowes not the condition of it, where with a reciprocal-tye, pleasure and paine are still united, and succcede one another in a ring. *Exi de mundo*, get thee gone hence, if thou canst not brooke it, there is no way to avoide it, but to arme thy selfe with Patience, with Magnanimitie, to oppose thy selfe vnto it, to suffer affliction as a good Souldier of Christ; (as ⁴ Paul aduiseh) constantly to beare it. But forasmuch as so few can embrace this good counsell of his, or vse it aright, but rather as so many brute beasts, giue way to their passions, voluntarily subiect and precipitate themselues into a Labyrinth of cares, woes, miseries; and suffer their soules to be ouercome by them, cannot arme themselues with that patience as they ought to do, it falleth out oftentimes that these Dispositions become Habits, and many Affects contemned, (as ⁵ Seneca notes) make a Disease. Euen as one Distillation, not yet growne to custome, makes but a cough; but continuall and inveterate, causeth a consumption of the lungs: so doe these our Melancholy provocations: and according as the humor it selfe is intended, or remitted in men, or as their temperature of Body, or Rationall soule is better able to make resistance; so are they more or lesse affected. For that which is

subito, repente delabuntur, nullo in loco, nulla in persona, stabilibus nixaradicibus consistunt; sed incertissimo statu fortune, quos in sublime extulerunt improviso recursum destitutos, in profundam miseriarum valle miserabiliter immergunt, Valerius lib. 6. cap. 11.
⁶ Hinc seculo parum aptus es, aut potius omnium nostrorum conditionem ignoras, quibus reciproco quodam nexu &c. Lorchanus Gallobelgicus lib. 3. ad annum 1598. ⁷ Huius omnia studia dirigi debent, ut humana fortiter feramus ⁸ 2 Tim. 2. ⁹ Epist. 96. lib. 10. affectus frequenter contempti, morbum faciunt, sicut Distillatio una nec adhuc in morem adducta, insim facit, effluens & vetus phlegma.

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¹ Eliar.² Homer. Iliad.³ Lipsius cent. 3.

ep. 45. ut colunt,

sic nos homines

sumus: illud ex

intervallu nubi-

bus obducitur &

obscuratur.

In rosario flores

spiciunt intermix-

ti.

Vita similis aeri,

vdam modo su-

dam, tempestas,

serenitas: ita vi-

ces rerum sunt

premia gaudii,

& sequaces cure

⁴ Lucratius lib.

4. 1124.

⁵ Prov. 14. 3.

Extremū gaudy

luctus occupat.

⁶ Natalitia in-

quit celebran-

tur, nuptie hic

sunt, at ibi quid

celebratur quod

non dolet, quod

non transit?

⁷ A. Juleius 4.

floridū nūq̃

quam homini tā

prosperum, divi-

nitus datum,

quin ei admix-

tum sit aliquid

difficultatis, ut

etiam in ampli-

ssimā quiquā

letitiā, subit

quepiam vel

parva querimō-

nia, coniugatione

quādam mellis,

& fellis.

⁸ Caduca nimi-

rūm & fragilia,

& puerilibus

consentanea cre-

pandis, sunt ista

que vires & o-

pes humane vo-

cantur, alij sunt

bus

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* *Et idem ad
offo: frigidum
ad offo.*

*Una hirsute
non facit as-
tem.*

1 Lib. 1. cap. 6.

** Fuschius lib. 3.*

sec. 1. cap. 7.

Hildisheim fol.

130.

but as a flea biting to one, causeth vn-sufferable torment to another, & that which one by his singular moderation, & wel-composed carriage can happily overcome, a second is no whit able to sustaine: but vpon euery smal occasiō of abuse, iniury, griefe, disgrace, losse, crosse, rumor, &c. (if solitary or idle) yeelds so farre to passion, that his complexion is altered, his digestion hindered, his sleepe gone, his spirits obscured, and his heart heavy, his Hypochondries mis-affected, winde, crudity, on a sudden ouertake him, & he himselfe overcome with *Melancholy*. So that as the Philosophers make * eight degrees of heat and cold: wee may make 88. of *Melancholy*, as the parties affected are diversly seized with it, or haue beene plunged more or lesse into this Infernall gulfe, or waded deeper into it. But all these *Melancholy* fits, howsoeuer pleasing at first, or displeasing, violent, and tyrannizing ouer those whom they seize on for the time, yet these men are but improperly so called, because they continue not; but come and goe, as by some objects they are moued. This *Melancholy* of which we are to treat, is an Habit, *morbus fonticus*, or *Chronicus*, a Chronick or continueate disease, a settled humor, as *Aurelianus*, and * others call it, not errant, but fixed, and as it was long increasing, so now being (pleasant, or painefull) growne to an habite, it will hardly be remoued.

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SVBSEC. 4.

Digression of Anatomy.

BEfore I proceed to define the Disease of *Melancholy*, what it is, or to discourse farther of it, I hold it not impertinent to make a brieve Digression of the Anatomie of the body, and faculties of the soule, for the better vnderstanding of that which is to followe; because many hard words will often occurre, as *Myrrache*, *Hypocondries*, *Hemroids*, &c. *Imaginatio*, *Reason*, *Humours*, *Spirits*, *Vitall*, *Naturall*, *Animall*, *Nerves*, *Veines*, *Arteries*, *Chilus*, *Pituita*; which of the vulgar will not so easily be perceiued, what they are, how sited, and to what end they serue. And besides, it may peraduenture giue occasion to some men, to examine more accurately, and search farther into this most excellent subiect, that haue time and leasure enough, and are sufficiently informed in all other worldly businesse; as to make a good bargain, buy, and sell, to keepe & make choise of a good Hauke, Hound, Horse, &c. but for such matters as concerne the knowledge of themselves, they are wholly ignorant and carelesse, they knowe not what this Bodie and Soule are, how combined, of what parts and faculties they consist, or how a Man differs from a Dogge. And what can bee more ignominious and filthie (as a *Melanchthon* well inueighes) then for a man not to knowe the structure and composition of his owne body, especially since the knowledge of it, tends so much to the preservation of his health, and information of his manners. To stirre them vp therefore to this study, to peruse those elaborate workes of *Galen*, *Avicen*, *Baehinus*, *Plater*, *Resalius*, *Falopius*, *Laurentius*, &c. which haue written copiously in Latine; or that which some of our industrious Countrimen haue done in our mother tongue, not long since, as that translation of *Columbus*,

* *De Anim.*

Tuque enim est

homini ignorare

sui corpus (ut

ita dicam) edifi-

cium, presertim

cum ad valetu-

dinem & mores,

hanc cognitio plu-

rimam condu-

cat.

De v. parti-

tion.

History of

man.

bus, and ^d *Microcosmographia*, in 13. bookes, I haue made this brieft Digressi-
on. And because that ^e *wecker*, ^f *Melancthon*, ^g *Fernelius*, ^h *Fuschnus*, and those
Tracts de *Animâ* (which haue more compendiously handled, and written of
this matter) are not at all times ready to bee had, to giue them some small
taste, or notice of the rest, let this Epitome suffice.

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^d D. Crooke.
^e In Syntaxi.
^f De Animâ.
^g Institut. lib. 1.
^h Physiol. lib. 1.
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S V B S E C. 2.

Division of the Body. Humours, Spirits.

OF the parts of the Body, there be many diuisions: The most appro-
ved is that of ⁱ *Laurentius*, out of *Hippocrates*: That is, into parts
Contained, or Containing. Contained, are either *Humours*, or *Spirits*.

ⁱ *Anat. l. 1. c. 18.*

Humors.

A *Humour* is a liquid or fluent part of the Body, comprehended in it, for
the preseruation of it, and it is either innate and borne with vs, or aduentiti-
ous and acquiste. The Radicall or innate, is daily supplied by nourishment,
which some call *Cambium*, and make those secondary humors of *Ros* and *Glu-*
ten to maintaine it: or acquiste, to maintaine those foure first primary Hu-
mors, comming and proceeding from the first concoction in the Liuer, by
which meanes *Chylus* is excluded. Some diuide them into profitable, and ex-
crementitious humors: *Pituita* & *Bloud* profitable; the other two excremen-
titious. But ^k *Crato* out of *Hippocrates* wil haue all foure to be iuyce, and not
excrements, without which no liuing creature can be sustained: which foure
though they be comprehended all in the Masse of the *Blood*, yet they haue
their seuerall affections, by which they are distinguished from one another,
and from those aduentitious, peccant, or ^l *diseased humors*, as *Melancthon* calls
them.

^k In *Microcos-*
success, sine quib-
us animal sus-
sentari non po-
test.
^l *Morbosus hu-*
mors.

Blood.

Blood, is a hot, sweet, temperate, red humor, prepared in the *Meseriacke*
veines, & made of the most temperate parts of the *Chylus* in the liuer, whose
office is to nourish the whole body, to giue it strength and colour, being dis-
persed by the veines, through euery part of it. And from it *Spirits* are first
begotten in the heart, which afterwards by the *Arteries*, are communicated
to the other parts.

Flegme.

Pituita, or *Flegme*, is a cold and moist humour, begotten of the colder
part of the *Chylus*, (or white iuyce comming of the meat digested in the sto-
macke) in the Liuer; his office is to nourish, and moisten the members of the
body, which as the tongue, are moued, that they be not ouer-drye.

Choler.

Choler, is hot and drie, bitter, begotten of the hotter parts of the *Chylus*, &
gathered to the Gall: it helpe the naturall heat, and senses, and serues to the
expelling of excrements.

Melancholy.

Melancholy, cold and drie, thicke, blacke, and lowre, begotten of the more
feculent part of nourishment, and purged from the Spleene, is a bridle to
the other two hot humors, *Blood*, and *Choler*, preseruing them in the *Blood*,
and nourishing the bones: These foure humors haue some analogie with
the foure Elements, and to the foure ages in Man.

Serum, Sweat,
Teares.

To these humors, you may adde *Serum*, which is the matter of *Vrine*,
and those excrementitious humors of the third Concoction, *Swet*, and
Teares.

C

Spirit,

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Spirits.

* Spiritus animalis.

Spirit is a most subtile vapour, which is expressed from the *Blood*, and the instrument of the Soule, to performe all his actions; a common tye or medium, betwixt the body and the soule, as some will haue it; or as * *Paracelsus*, a fourth soule of it selfe. *Melancthon* holds the Fountaine of these *Spirits* to be the *Heart*, begotten there and afterward conuaid to the *Braine*, they take another nature to them. Of these *Spirits* there be three kindes, according to the three principall parts, *Braine*, *Heart*, *Liuor*, *Naturall*, *Vitall*, *Animall*. The *Naturall* are begotten in the *Liuor*, & thence dispersed through the *Veines*, to performe those naturall actions. The *Vitall* *Spirits* are made in the *Heart* of the *Naturall*, which by the *Arteries*, are transported to all the other parts: if these *Spirits* cease, the life ceaseth, as in a *Syncope* or *Swooning*. The *Animall* *Spirits* formed of the *Vitall*, brought vp to the *Braine*, and diffused by the *Nerues*, to the other *Members*, giue sense and motion to them all.

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Similar parts.

Similar parts

Containing parts, by reason of their more solid substance, are either *Homogeneall*, or *Heterogeneall*, *Similar*, or *Dissimilar*: so *Aristotle* diuides them, lib. 1. cap. 1. de hist. Animal. *Laurentius* cap. 20. lib. 1. *Similar*, or *Homogeneall*, are such, as if they be diuided, are still diuided into parts of the same nature, as water into water. Of these, some be *Spermatieall*, some *Fleshy*, or *Carnall*. *Spermatieall* are such as are immediatly begotten of the *Seed*, which are *Bones*, *Gristles*, *Ligaments*, *Membranes*, *Nerues*, *Arteries*, *Veines*, *Skins*, *Fibers*, or *Strings*, *Fat*.

m Laurentius
cap. 20. lib. 1.
Anat.

Bones.

The *Bones* are dry and hard, begotten of the thickest of the seed, to strengthen and sustaine the other parts: some say there be 304, some 307, or 313 in Mans Body. They haue no *Nerues* in them, and are therefore without sense.

A *Gristle*, is a substance softer then bones, and harder then the rest, flexible, and serues to maintaine the parts of motion.

Ligaments, are they that tye the *Bones* together, and other parts to the *Bones*, with their subseruing tendons: *Membranes* office is to cover the rest.

Nerues.

Nerues or *Sinewes*, are *Membranes* without, and full of *Marrow* within, they proceed from the *Braine*, and carry the *Animall* *Spirits* for sense and motion. Of these some be harder, some softer, the softer serue the senses, & there be seuen paire of them. The first be the *Opticke* *Nerues*, by which wee see; the second moue the *Eyes*; the third paire serue for the *Tongue* to tast; the fourth paire for taste in the *Palate*; the fift serue the *Eares*; the sixt paire is most ample, and runnes almost ouer all the *Bowels*; the seauenth paire moue the *Tongue*. The harder *Sinewes* serue for the motion of the inner parts, Proceeding from the *Marrow* in the backe, of whom there bee thirtie *Combinations*, seuen of the *Necke*, twelue of the *Brest*, &c.

Arteries.

In these they
observe the
beating of the
Pulse.

Arteries are long and hollowe, with a double skinneto conuaie the *vitall* *Spirits*, to discern which the better, they say that *Vesalius* the *Anatomist* was wont to cut vp men alieue. They arise in the left side of the heart, & are principally two, from which the rest are deriued, *Aorta* and *Venosa*; *Aorta* is the

the root of all the other, which serue the whole body; the other goes to the Lungs, to fetch aire to refrigerate the Heart. 15

Veines, are hollow and round like pipes, arising from the Liuer, carrying blood and natural spirits, they feed all the parts. Of these there be two chiefe, *Vena porta*, and *Vena Cava*, from which the rest are corriuated. That *Vena porta* is a Veine, comming from the concaue of the liuer, & receauing all those *meseriacall* veines, by whom hee takes the *Chilus* from the stomacke and guts, and conuaies it to the Liuer. The other conuaies blood from the liuer to nourish all the other dispersed members. The branches of that *Vena porta* are the *Meseriacall* & *Hæmorrhoides*. The branches of the *Cava*, are inward or outward. Inward, *seminall* or *emulgent*. Outward, in the head, armes, feet, &c, and haue seuerall names.

Fibra are strings, white & solide dispersed through the whole member, and are right, oblique, transuerse, all which haue their seuerall vses. *Fat*, is a similar part moist without blood, composed of the most thicke and vntuous matter of the blood. The *skinne* couers the rest, and hath *Cuticulam* or a little skinne vnder it. *Flesh* is soft and ruddy, composed of the congealing of blood, &c.

Fibra, *Fat*,
Flesh,
o *Cuius est pars*
similari a vi
cutificā, vt inte-
riora muniat.
Capiuac. Anas.
pag. 252.

SYNOPSIS. 4.

Dissimilar parts.

Dissimilar parts, are those which we call *Organicall*, or *Instrumentall*, & they be *Inward*, or *Outward*. The chiefeft outward parts are situate forward or backward. *Inward*, the crowne and foretop of the head, scull, face, forehead, temples, chinne, eyes, eares, nose, &c. necke, brest, chest, vpper and lower part of the belly, hypocondries, nauell, groyne, flanks, &c. *Backward*, the hinder part of the head, backe, shoulders, sides, loynes, hip-bones, or *sacrum*, buttockes, &c. Or ioyns, armes, hands, feet, legges, thighes, knees, &c. Or common to both, which because they are obuius and well knowne, I haue carelessly repeated, *ca. q. principia & grandiora tantum: quod reliquum, ex libris de animā, qui vult, accipiat.*

Inward Organicall parts which cannot be seene, are diuers in number, and haue seuerall names, functions, and diuisions; but that of *P. Laurentius* is most famous, into *Noble*, or *Ignoble* parts. Of the noble there be three principall parts to which all the rest belong, and whom they serue, *Braine*, *Heart*, *Liuer*. According to whole site, three Regions, or a three-fold diuision is made of the whole body. As first of the *Head* in which the Animal Organes are contained, and Braine it selfe, which by his Nerues giues sense and motion to the rest, and is (as it were) a priuy Counsellor, and Chancellour to the *Heart*. The second Region is the *Chest*, or middle *Belly*, in which the heart, as king, keeps his court, and by his Arteries communicates life to the whole body. The third Region is the lower *Belly*, in which the liuer resides, as a *Legat à latere*, with the rest of those naturall Organes, seruing for concoction, nourishment, expelling of excrements. This lower Region is distinguished from the vpper by the *Midriffe*, or *Diaphragma*, and is subdiuided againe by 4 some into three concauities, or regions, vpper, middle, and lower. The vpper of the

P. Anas lib. 1. c.
19. Celebris est
& peruenigata
partium diuiso
in principes &
ignobiles partes.

4 D. Craske out
of Gallen and
others.

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Hypocondries, in whose right side is the *Liver*, the left the *Spleene*. From which is denominated *Hypocondriacall Melancholy*. The second of the *Navel* and *Flanckes*, diuided from the first by the *Rimme*. The last of the water-course, which is againe subdivided into three other parts. The *Arabians* make two parts of this Region, *Epigastrum*, and *Hypogastrium*; Vpper or lower. *Epigastrum* they call *Mirach*, from whence comes *Mirachialis Melancholia*, sometimes mentioned of them. Of these seuerall Regions I will treat in brieft apart. And first of the third Region, in which the naturall Organs are contained.

De animâ,

¶ Vos vero veluti in templum ac sacrarium quoddam vos duci putatis, et suauis & utilis conuictio.

The lower Region Naturall Organs.

But you that are Readers in the meane time, Suppose you were now brought into some sacred Temple, or Maiesticall Pallace (as *Melancthon* saith) to behold not the matter onely, but the singular Art, workmanship, and counsell of this our great Creator. And tis a pleasant and profitable speculation, if it be considered aright. The parts of this Region, which present themselues to your consideration and view, are such as serue to nutrition or generation. Those of Nutrition serue to the first or second concoction: As the *œsophagus* or Gullet, which brings meat and drinke into the *Stomacke*. The *Ventricle* or *Stomacke*, which is seated in the midst of that part of the belly beneath the *Midriffe*, the kitchen (as it were) of the first concoction, and which turnes our meat into *Chilus*: It hath two mouthes, one aboue, another beneath. The vpper is sometimes taken for the *Stomacke* it selfe; the lower and neather doore (as *Wecker* calls it) is named *Pylorus*. This *Stomacke* is sustained by a large Kell or Kaull, called *Omentum*: which some will haue the same with *Peritoneū*, or *rimme* of the belly. From the *Stomacke* to the very *Fundament*, are produced the *Guts* or *Intestina*, which serue a litle to alter and distribute the *Chilus*, and convey away the excrements. They are diuided into small and great, by reason of their site and substance, slender or thicker. The slender is *Duodenum* or whole gutte, which is next to the *Stomacke*, some twelue inches long (saith *Fuschius*.) *Ieiunum* or empty gut, continuat to the other, which hath many *Meferiacke Veines* annexed to it, which take part of the *Chilus* to the *Liver* from it. *Ilion* the third, which consists of many crinckles, which serues with the rest to receiue, keep, & distribute the *Chilus* from the *Stomacke*. The thick guts are three, the *Blind gut*, *Colon*, and *Right gut*. The *Blinde* is a thicke and short gut, hauing one mouth, in which the *Ilion* and *Colon* meet: it receiues the excrements, and conueyes them to the *Colon*. This *Colon* hath many windings; that the excrements passe not away too fast. The *Right gut* is straight, and conueyes the excrements to the *Fundament*, whose lower part is bound vp with certaine *Muscles*, called *Sphincteres*, that the excrements may be the better contained, vntill such time a man be willing to goe to the *stool*. In the midst of these guts is situated the *Mysenterium* or *Midriffe*, composed of many *Veines*, *Arteries*, and much fat, seruing chiefly to sustaine the guts. All these parts serue the first concoction. To the second, which is busied either in refining the good nourishment, or expelling the bad, is chiefly belonging the *Liver*, like in colour to congealed blood, the shop of blood, situate in the right *Hypocondrie*, in figure like to an halfe Moone, *Generosum membrum*, *Melancthon* styles it, a generous part; it serues to turne the *Chilus* to blood, for the nourishment of the Body. The excrements of it are either *Cholericke* or *Watery*, which the other subordinate parts convey. The *Gall* placed

Lib. 1. cap. 12. Sect. 5.

placed in the concave of the *Liver*, extracts *Choler* to it: the *Spleene*, *Melancho-*
ly, which is situate on the left side, ouer against the *Liver*, a spungy matter,
 which drawes this blacke choler to it by a secret vertue, and feedes vpon it,
 conveying the rest to the bottome of the stomacke, to stirre vp appetite, or
 els to the guts as an excrement. That watery matter the two *Kidnies* expur-
 gate, by those emulgent veines, and *Vreteres*: The emulgent draw this super-
 fluous moisture from the blood; the two *Vreteres* convey it to the *Bladder*,
 which by reason of his site in the lower belly, is apt to receiue it, having two
 parts, necke and bottome: the bottome holdes the water, the necke is con-
 stringed with a muscle, which as a Porter, keepes the water from running
 out against our will.

Members of generation are common to both sexes, or peculiar to one;
 which because they are impertinent to my purpose, I doe voluntarily omit.

Next in order is the *Middle Region*, or chest which comprehends the vitall
 faculties and parts: which (as I haue said) is separated from the lower belly,
 by the *Diaphragma* or *Midriff*, which is a skinne consisting of many nerues,
 membranes, and amongst other vses it hath, it is the instrument of laughing.
 There is also a certaine thin membrane, full of Sinewes, which couereth the
 whole chest within, and is called *Pleura*, the seat of the disease called *Pleuri-*
sie, when it is inflamed; some adde a third skinne, which is called *Mediastinus*,
 which diuides the chest into two parts, right and left. Of this Region the
 principall part is the *Heart*, which is the seat and fountaine of life, of heat, of
 spirits, of pulse and respiration, the Sunne of our Body, the king and sole
 commander of it: The seat and Organe of all passions and affections, *Pri-*
imum vivens, ultimum moriens, it liues first, and dies last in all creatures: Of a
 pyramidicall forme, and not much vnlike to a Pine apple; a part worthy of
 admiration, that can yeeld such variety of affections, by whose motion it is
 dilated or contracted, to stirre and command the humors in the body: As in
 sorrow, melancholy; in anger, choler; in ioy, to send the blood outwardly;
 in sorrow, to call it in; moving the Humors, as Horses doe a Chariot. This
Heart, though it be one sole member, yet it may be divided into two creekes,
Right and *Left*. The *Right* is like the Moone increasing, bigger then the other
 part, and receiues blood from *Vena Cava*, distributing some of it to the *Lungs*
 to nourish the, the rest to the left side, to ingender spirits. The *left Creek* hath
 the forme of a *Cone*, and is the seate of Life: which as a Torch doth Oyle,
 drawes blood vnto it, begetting of it, spirits and fire; and as fire in a torch, so
 are spirits in the blood, and by that great *Artery* called *Aorta*, it sends vitall
 spirits all ouer the Body, and takes aire from the *Lungs*, by that *Artery* which
 is called *Venosa*; So that both creekes haue their Vessels; the *Right* two
 Veines; the *Left* two Arteries, besides those two common anfractu-
 osities, which serue them both, the one to hold blood, the other aire, for seue-
 rall vses. The *Lungs* is a thinne spungy part, like an Oxe hoofe, (saith *Fer-*
uclius) the Towne Clarke, or Crier (one rearmes it) the instrument of
 voice, as an Orator to a King, annexed to the *Heart*, to expresse its
 thoughts by voice. That it is the instrument of voice, it is manifest, in that
 no creature can speake, or vter any voice, that wanteth these Lights. It is
 besides the instrument of respiration, or breathing; and its office is to coole
 the *Heart*, by sending aire vnto it, by the *Venofall Artery*, which veine comes

Middle Regi-
 on.

Haec res est
 precipue digna
 admiratione,
 quod tanta af-
 fectionum varie-
 tate cietur cor,
 quod omnes res
 vites & late
 statim corda fe-
 riant & movent

Physiol. l. 1. c. 3.
 Ut orator Re-
 gis pulmo vo-
 cis instrumentum
 annectitur cor-
 di, &c. Melan-
 chon.

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to the lungs by that *aspera arteria*, which consists of many gristles, membranes, nerues, taking in aire at the nose and mouth, and by it likewise exhales the fumes of the Heart.

Upper Region

In the vpper Region seruing the animall faculties, the chiefe Organ is the *Braine*. which is a soft, marrowish, and white substance, ingendred of the purest part of seed and spirits, included by many skinned, and seated within the skull or braine pan, and it is the most noble Organe vnder Heauen, the dwelling house and seat of the Soule, the habitation of wisdom, memory, iudgement, reason, and in which man is most like vnto God: & therefore nature hath couered it with a skull of hard bone, & two skinned or membranes, whereof the one is called *dura mater*, or *meninx*, the other *pia mater*. The *dura mater* is next to the skull, aboue the other, & includes & protects the braine. When this is taken away, the *pia mater* is to be seene, a thinne membrane, the next and immediate couer of the braine, and not couering only, but entering into it. The *Braine* it selfe is divided into two parts, the *fore* and *hinder part*; the *fore-part* is much bigger then the other, which is called the *little braine* in respect of it. This *forepart* hath many concauities, distinguished by certaine ventricles, which are the Receptracles of the Spirits, brought thither by the Arteries from the Heart, and are there refined to a more heavenly nature, to performe the actions of the Soule. Of these Ventricles there bee three, *Right*, *Left*, and *Middle*. The *Right* and *Left* answer to their site, and beget animal Spirits; if these be any way hurt, sense and motion ceaseth. These ventricles moreouer, are held to be the seat of the common sense. The *Middle ventricle*, is a common concourse and cavity of them both; and hath two passages; the one to receiue *Pituita*, the other extends it selfe to the fourth creeke: in this they place *Imagination*, and *Cogitation*, and so the three ventricles of the forepart of the *Braine* are vsed. The fourth Creeke behinde the head is common to the *Cerebell* or little braine, and marrowe of the backebone, the least and most sollid of all the rest, which receaues the Animal Spirits from the other ventricles, and conuaies them to the marrow in the back, and is the place where they say the memory is seated.

SUBSEC. 5.

Of the Soule and his Faculties.

12. De anima
cap. 1.

* Scaliger. exer-
cit. 307. Toller.
in lib. de anima
cap. 1. &c.
12. De anima
cap. 1.

* Tusc. quest.
Lib. 6. Doctor
Val. Gentil. c.
23. pag. 1216.
Aristot.

* Anima quæ intelligimus, et tamen quæ sit ipsa intelligere non valemus.

According to Aristotle, the Soule is defined to bee *ψυχή*, *perfectio* & *actus primus corporis Organici, vitam habentis in potentia*: the perfection or first Act of an Organicall body, hauing power of life, which most Philosophers approue. But many doubts arise about the Essence, Subject, Seat, Distinction, and subordinate faculties of it. For the Essence & particular knowledge of it, of all other things it is most hard (be it of Man or Beast) to discern, as Aristotle himselfe, Tully, Picus Mirandula, Tolet, and other Neoterick Philosophers confesse. we can understand all things by her, but what she is we cannot apprehend. Some therefore make one Soule, di-
 uided into three principall faculties; others, three distinct Soules. Which
 question of late hath beene much controuerted by Piccolominius, and Zabara.

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rel. *Paracelsus* will haue foure Soules, adding to the three granted faculties, a *Spiritual Soule*. And some againe, one soule of all Creatures whatsoever, differing only in Organs. And that Beasts haue reason as well as men, though for some defect of Organs, not in such measure. Some make a doubt, whether it be all in all, and all in euery part, which is amply discussed in *Zabarel* amongst the rest. The common diuision of the Soule, is into three principall faculties; *Vegetall*, *Sensitiue*, and *Rationall*, which make three distinct kind of liuing Creatures: *Vegetall* Plants, *Sensible* Beasts, *Rationall* Men. How these three principall faculties are distinguished and connected, *Humano ingenio inaccessum videtur*, is beyond humane capacity, as *Taurellus*, *Philip*, *Flavius*, and others suppose. The inferior may be alone, but the superiour cannot subsist without the other; as *Sensible* includes *Vegetall*, *Rationall* both, which are contained in it (saith *Aristotle*) *ut Trigonus in tetragono*, as a *Triangle* in a *Quadrangle*.

Vegetall, the first of the three distinct faculties, is defined to be a *substantiall Act of an Organicall body, by which it is nourished, augmented, and begets another like vnto it selfe*. In which definition, three seuerall operations are specified; *Altrix*, *Austrix*, *Procreatrix*, the first is *Nutrition*, whose obiect is nourishment, meat, drinke, and the like; his Organ the *Liu*er in sensible creatures; in Plants, the root or sap. His office is, to turne the nutriment into the substance of the body nourished, which he performes by naturall heat. This nutritiue operation hath foure other subordinate functions, or powers belonging to it; *Attraction*, *Retention*, *Digestion*, *Expulsion*. *Attraction* is a ministering facultie, which, as a Loadstone doth Iron, drawes meat into the stomacke, or as a lampe drawes oyle, and this attractiue power is very necessary in Plants, which sucke vp moisture by the root, as another mouth, into the sap, as another stomacke. *Retention* keepes it being attracted vnto the stomacke, vntill such time it be concocted, for if it should passe away straight, the body could not be nourished. *Digestion*, is performed by natural heat; for as the heat of a Torch consumes oyle, wax, tallowe: so doth it alter & digest the nutritiue matter. Indigestion is opposite vnto it, for want of naturall heat. Of this *Digestion* there be three differences, *Maturation*, *Elixation*, *Assation*. *Maturation*, is especially obserued in the fruits of trees: which are then said to be ripe, when the seeds are fit to be sowne againe. *Cruditie* is opposed to it, which Gluttons, Epicures, and idle persons are most subiect vnto, which vse no exercise to stirre vp naturall heat, or choake it, as too much wood puts out a fire. *Elixation*, is the boyling of meat in the stomacke, by the said naturall heat, as meat is boyled in a pot; to which corruption or putrefaction is opposite. *Assation*, is a concoction of the inward moisture by heat, his opposite is *Semistulation*. Besides these three seuerall operations of *Digestion*, there is a fourefold order of concoction; *Mastication*, or chewing in the mouth; *Chylification* of this so chewed meat in the stomacke. The third is in the *Liu*er to turne this *Chylus* into blood, called *Sanguification*; The last is *Assimilation*, which is in euery part. *Expulsion* is a power of *Nutrition*, by which it expells all superfluous excrements, and reliques of meat and drinke by the guts, bladder, pores; as by purging, vomiting, spitting, sweating, vrine, haire, nailes, &c.

As this *Nutritiue facultie* serues to nourish the body, so doth the *Augmenting*

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Spirituallem animam à reliquis distinctam, tuet. v. etiam in cadavere inuentem post mortem per aliquot menses.

Celii lib. 2. cap. 3. 1. Plutarch. in Grillo. Lips. Cent. 1. epist. 50. Iossius de Rifu & Fletu.

Philip de Anima cap. 1. Celii 2. antiquit. cap. 3. Plutarch. de placit. Philos.

De vit. & mort. part. 2. c. 3. p. op. 1. De vit. & mort. 2. c. 22. Vegetal soule. Subject. 2.

Nutritio est. alimenti transmutatio, vironaturalis, Scal. exerc. 101. Seq. 17. Attraction.

See more of Attraction in Scal. exerc. 343.

Retention.

Digestion.

Maturation.

Elixation.

Order of concoction fourefold.

Expulsion.

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ring facultie (the second operation or power of the *Vegetall faculty*) to the increasing of it in quantity, according to all Dimensions, long, broad, thicke, &c. to make it growe, till it come to his due proportion & perfect shape: which hath his period of augmentation, as of consumption: and that most certain, as the Poet obserues:

*Stat sua cuiq; dies breue & irreparabile tempus
Omnibus est vita.*——

A tearme of life is set to euery man,
Which is but short, and passe it not one can.

Generation.

The last of these *Vegetall faculties* is *Generation*, which begets another, by meanes of seed, like vnto it selfe, to the perpetuall preservation of the *Species*. To this faculty they ascribe three subordinate operations: The first to turne nourishment into seed, &c.

Life & death
concomitants
of the Vegetal
faculties.

Necessary concomitants or affections of this *Vegetall facultie* are life, & his privation, death. To the preservation of life the naturall heat is most requisite, though siccitie and humidity, and those first qualities, bee not excluded. This heat is likewise in Plants, as appeares by their increasing, fructifying &c. though not so easily perceaued; In all bodies it must haue radical moisture to preserve it, that it be not consumed, to which preservation our climate, countrey, temperature, and the good or bad vse of those six non-naturall things auaille much. For as this naturall heat and moisture decays, so doth our life it selfe: and if not preuented before by some violent accident, or interrupted through our owne default, is in the end dried vp by old age, and extinguished by death for want of matter, as a Lampe for want of oyle to maintaine it.

*Vita consistit
in calida & hu-
mida.*

SVBSEC. 6.

Of the sensible Soule.

NExt in order is the *Sensible Facultie*, which is as farre beyond the other in dignitie, as a Beast is preferred to a Plant, hauing those *Vegetall powers* included in it. It is defined an *Act of an organical Body, by which it liues, hath sense, appetite, iudgement, breath, and motion*. His object in generall is a sensible or passible quality, because the sense is affected with it. The generall Organ is the Braine, from whom principally the sensible operations are deriued. This *Sensible Soule* divided into two parts, *Apprehending* or *Mouing*. By the *Apprehensiu* power we perceiue the *Species* of *Sensible things* present, or absent, and retaine them as waxe doth the print of a Seale. By the *Mouing*, the Body is outwardly caried from one place to another: or inwardly moued, by Spirits and Pulse. The *Apprehensiu* faculty is subdivided into two parts, *Inward* or *Outward*. *Outward*, as the five senses, of *Tou- ching, Hearing, Seeing, Smelling, Tasting*; to which you may adde *Scaligers* sixt sense of *Titillation*, if you please, or that of *Speech*, which is the sixt externall sense, according to *Lullius*. *Inward* are three; *Common sense, Phantasie, memory*. Those five outward Senses haue their object in outward things only, & such as are present, as the eye sees no colour except it be at hand, the eare sound. Three of these Senses are of commodity, *Hearing, Sight, and Smell*: Two of
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necessary, *Touch*, and *Tast*, without which we cannot live. Besides the *Sensitive* power is *Active*, or *Passive*. *Active*, as in sight, the eye sees the colour; *Passive* as it is hurt by his object, as the eye by the Sunne beames: According to that Axiome, *Visibile forte destruit sensum*. Or if the object be not pleasing, as a bad sound to the eare, a stinking smell to the nose, &c. Of these five senses, *Sight* is held to be most pretious, and the best, and that by reason of his object, it sees all the body at once, by it we learne, and discern all things, a sense most excellent for vse. To the *Sight* three things are required, the *Object*, the *Organ*, & the *Medium*. The *Object* in generall is *Visible*, or that which is to be seene, as colours and all shining bodies. The *Medium* is the illumination of the ayre, which comes from ⁿ light, commonly called *Diaphanum*, for in darke we cannot see: the *Organ* is the *Eye*, and chiefly the apple of it; which by those *Opticke Nerues*, concurring both in one, conueies the sight to the common sense. Betwixt the *Organ* & *Object* a true distance is required, that it be not too neere, or too far off. Many excellent questions appertain to this sense, discussed by Philosophers: as whether this sight be caused *Intra mittendo*, vel *extra mittendo*, &c. By receiuing in the visible Species, or sending of them out, which ^o *Plato*, ^p *Plutarch*, ^q *Macrobius*, ^r *Lactantius*, and others dispute. And besides it is the subiect of the *Perspectiues*, of which *Albazen* the *Arabian*, *Vitellio*, *Roger Bacon*, *Baptista Porta*, *Guidus Vbaldus*, &c. haue written whole volumes.

Sight

ⁿ Lumen est corpus perspicui.
Lumen a luce
prouenit, lux est
in corpore lucido.

^o Satur. 7. c. 14.
^p In Phedon.
^q Lac. c. 8. de
opif. Dei 1.
^r De pract. Philosoph. 4.
Hearing.

Hearing, a most excellent outward sense, by which wee learne and get knowledge. His object is sound or that which is heard; the *Medium* the ayre, the *Organ* the eare. To the sound, which is a collision of the ayre, three things are required; a body to strike, as the hand of a Musitian; the body stroken, which must be solid & able to resist; as a bell, lute-string, not wool or sponge: the *Medium*, the ayre, which is *Inward*, or *Outward*; the *Outward* being stroke or collided by a solid body, still strikes the next ayre, vntill it come to that inward naturall ayre, which as an exquisite *Organ* is contained in a little skin formed like a drumme head, and stricke vpon by certaine small instruments like drumme stickes, conueies the sound by a paire of *Nerues*, appropriated to that vse, to the common sense, as to a iudge of sounds. There is great variety and much delight in them, for the knowledge of which consult with *Boetius*, and other Musicians.

Smelling, is an outward sense which apprehends by the *Nostrills* drawing in ayre. And of all the rest it is the weakest sense in men. The *Organ* is the nose, or two little hollow peeces of flesh a little about it: the *Medium* the ayre to men, as water to fish: The *Object*, *Smell*, arising from a mixt body resolved, which whether it bee a quality, fume, vapor, or exhalation, I will not now dispute, or of their differences, and how they are caused. This sense is an *Organ* of health, as *Sight* and *Hearing*, saith ^f *Agellius*, are of discipline, & that by avoiding bad smells, as by choosing good, which doe as much alter and affect the body many times, as *Diet* it selfe.

Smelling

^f Lib. 19. cap. 2.

Tast, a necessary sense, which perceiues all saoures by the *Tongue* and *pallat*, & that by meanes of a thinn spittle, or watery iuyce. His *Organ* is the *Tongue* with his tasting nerues, the *Medium* a watery iuyce, the *Object*, *Tast*, or sauer, which is a quality in the iuyce, arising from the mixture of the things tasted. Some make eight Species or kindes of saoures, bitter, sweet, sharp, salt, &c. all which

Tast

^f Lib. 19. cap. 2.

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sick men/as in an ague/cannot discern, by reason of their organs misaffected. *Touch*, the last of the Senses and most ignoble, yet of as great necessity as the other, and of as great pleasure. This sense is exquisite in men; and by his Nerves dispersed all over the Body, perceaves any tactile quality. His *Organ* the *Nerves*: his *Object* is those first qualities, hot, dry, moist, cold; & those that follow them, hard, soft, thicke, thinne, &c. Many delightful questions are moved by Philosophers about these five senses; their *Organs*, *Objects*, *Mediums*, which for brevity I omit.

SYNOPSIS. 7.

Of the Inward Senses.

Common
sense.

Inner Senses, are three in number, so called because they are within the braine-panne, as *Common Sense*, *Phantasie*, *Memory*. Their objects are not only things present, but they perceave the sensible Species of things *to Come*, *Past*, *Absent*, such as were before in the Sense. This common sense is the Judge or Moderator of the rest, by whom we discern all differences of objects; for by my eye I do not knowe that I see, or by mine eare that I heare, but by my common Sense, who iudgeth of Sounds, Colours: they are but the Organs to bring the Species to be censured, so that all their objects are his, & all their offices his: The forepart of the braine is his Organ or seat.

Phantasie.

Philos. 1. 5. 8.

Phantasie, or Imagination, which some call *Estimative*, or *Cogitative* (confirmed, saith *Fernelius*, by frequent meditation) is an inner sense, which doth more fully examine the Species perceaved by common sense, of things present or absent, and keepes them longer, recalling them to minde againe, or making new of his owne. In time of sleep this facultie is free, & many times conceaves strange, stupend, absurd shapes, as in sicke men we commonly observe. His *Organ* is the middle cell of the braine; his *Objects* all the Species communicated to him by the *Common sense*, by comparison of which hee faines infinite other vnto himselfe. In *Melancholy* men this facultie is most powerfull and strong, and often hurts, producing many monstrous and prodigious things, especially if it be stirred vp by some terrible object, presented to it from common sense, or memory. In Poets and Painters *Imagination* forcibly workes, as appeares by their leuerall fictions, Antickes, Images: As *Ovids* house of sleepe, *Psyches* pallace in *Apuleius*, &c. In men it is subiect and governed by *Reason*, or at least should be; but in Brutes it hath no superior, & is *Ratio Brutorum*, all the reason they haue.

Memory.

Memory, layes vp all the Species which the Senses haue brought in, and records them as a good *Register*, that they may be forth-coming when they are called for by *Phantasie* and *Reason*. His object is the same with *Phantasie*, his Seat and *Organ* the backe part of the braine.

Affections of
the Senses,
Sleep, & Wa-
king.

Philos. 1. 5. 8.

The affections of these Senses, are *Sleepe* and *Waking*, common to all sensible creatures. *Sleepe* is a rest or binding of all the outward Senses, and of the common sense, for the preservation of Body and Soule, (as *Scaliger* defines it:) For when the common sense resteth, the outward senses rest also: The *Phantasie* alone is free, and his Commander, *Reason*; as appeares by those Imaginary *Dreames*, which are of diuerse kindes, *Naturall*, *Diuine*, *Damoniacall*, &c. which

which vary according to Humors, Diet, Actions, Obiects &c of which *Artemidorus*, *Cardanus*, and *Sambucus*, with their severall Interpretations, have written great Volumes. This ligation of Senses, proceedes from an inhibition of Spirits, the way being stopped by which they should come, which stopping is caused of vapors arising out of the stomacke, which fill the Nerues, by which the Spirits should be conveyed. When these vapors are spent, the passage is open, and the Spirits performe their accustomed duties, so that *making is the action and motion of the Senses, which the Spirits dispersed over all parts, cause.*

SYNOPSIS. 8.

Of the Moving faculty.

THis *Moving Faculty*, is the other power of the *Sensitive soule*, which causeth all those *Inward and Outward animal motions in the body*. It is divided into two Faculties, the power of *Appetite*, and of *moving* *from place to place*. This of *Appetite* is threefold, as some will have it, *Naturall*, as it signifies any such inclination, as of a stone to fall downward, and such actions as *Retention*, *Expulsion*, which depend not of Sense, but are *Vegetall*, as the Appetite of meate, and drinke, hunger, and thirst. *Sensitive* is common to Men and Brutes. *Voluntary*, the third or intellectuall, which commands the other two in men, and is a curbe vnto them, or at least should be: but for the most part is captivated and over-ruled by them; & men are led like beasts by sense, giuing reines to their concupiscence and severall lusts. For by this Appetite the Soule is led or inclined, to follow that good which the Senses shall approue, or auoide that which they hold euill: his Obiect being good or euill, the one he embraceth, the other he reiecteth: according to that Aphorisme, *Omnia appetunt bonum*, all things seeke their owne good, or at least seeming good. This power is inseparable from Sense, for where Sense is, there is likewise pleasure and paine. His *Organ* is the same with the *Common sense*, and is divided into two powers, or inclinations, *Concupiscible* or *Irafcible*: or (as * one translates it) *Coueting*, or *Anger-inuading*, *Impugning*. *Concupiscible* couets alwayes pleasant and delightfull things, and abhorres that which is distastefull, harsh, or vnpleasant. *Irafcible*, *quasi auersans per iram & odium*, as auoiding it with anger and indignation. All affections and perturbations arise out of these two fountaines, which although the *Stoickes* make light of, we hold naturall, and not to be resisted. The good affections are caused by some obiect of the same nature, and if present, they procure ioy, which dilates the Heart, and preserues the body: If absent, they cause Hope, Loue, Desire, Concupiscence. The *Bad* are *Simple* or *mixt*: *Simple* for some bad obiect present, as sorrow which contracts the Heart, macerates the Soule, subverts the good estate of the Body, hindering all the operations of it, causing Melancholy, and many times death it selfe: or future as Feare. Out of these two arise those mixt affections, & passions of Anger, which is a desire of revenge. Hatred which is inveterate anger, Zeale which is offended with him which hurts that he loues, and *imaginationis*, a compound affection of ioy and Hate, when we reioyce at other mens mischiese, and are

Appetite.

* T. W. Iesuita,
in his passions
of the minde.
† Velut in.

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griued at their prosperity, Pride, Selse-loue, Emulation, Envy, Shame &c. of which elfewhere.

Mouing from place to place, is a faculty necessarily following the other. For in vaine were it otherwise to desire and to abhorre, if wee had not likewise power to profecure or eschue, by mouing the Body from place to place: by this faculty therefore we locally moue the whole Body, or any part of it, and goe from one place to another. To the better performance of which, three things are requisit: That which moues, By what it moues, That which is moued. That which moues, is either the Efficient cause or End. The end is the obiekt, which is desired or eschewed; as a Dog to catch a Hare &c. The efficient cause in man is *Reason*, or his subordinate *Phantasie*, which apprehends this good or bad obiekt: in Brutes *Imagination* alone, which moues the *Appetite*; the *Appetite* this faculty, which by an admirable league of Nature, and by mediation of the spirits, commands the Organe by which it moues: and that consists of Nerves, Muscles, Cordes, dispersed through the whole body, and contracted and relaxed as the Spirits will, which moue the Muscles, or Nerves in the midst of them, and draw the cord, and so *per consequens* the ioint, to the place intended. That which is moued, is the Body, or some member apt to moue. The motion of the Body is diuerse, as going, running, leaping, dancing, sitting, and such like, referred to the predicament of *Situs*. Wormes creepe, Birds flye, Fishes swimme; and so of parts, the chiefe of which is *Respiration* or breathing, which is thus performed. The outward Aire is drawne in by the vocall *Artery*, and sent by mediation of the *Midriffe* to the Lungs, which dilating themselves as a paire of bellowses, reciprocally fetch it in, and send it out to the Heart to coole it: and from thence now being hot, convey it againe, still taking in fresh. Such a like motion is that of the *Pulse*, of which, because many haue written whole Bookes, I will say nothing.

* Nervi & spiritus
in mouentur,
spiritus ab ani
ma. Melancthon

SYNSC. 9.

Of the Rationall Soule.

IN the precedent Subsections, I haue anatomized those inferiour Faculties of the Soule; the Rationall remaineth, a pleasant, but a doubtfull Subject (as * one tearmes it) and with the like brevity to be discussed. Many erroneous opinions are about the Essence and Originall of it, whether it be fire, as *Zeno* held; harmony, as *Aristoxenus*; number, as *Xenocrates*; whether it bee Organicall, or Inorganicall; seated in the Braine, Heart, or Blood; mortall, or immortall; how it comes into the Body. Some hold that it is *ex traduce*, as *Phil. 1. de Anima*, *Tertullian*, *Avicenna*, and many ^b late Writers, that one man begets another, Body and Soule: or as a candle from a candle, to be produced from the Seede. ^c *Galen* holdes the Soule *Crasse* esse, to be the Temperature it selfe. *Trismegistus*, *Musæus*, *Orpheus*, *Homer*, *Pindarus*, *Pherecides Syrus*, *Epicetus*, with the *Chaldees*, and *Egyptians*, affirmed the Soule to be immortall, as did those *Brittan* ^d *Druides* of old. The ^e *Pythagoreans* hold *Metempsychosis*, and *Palingenesia*, that Soules goe from one body to another, as men into *Wolues*, *Beares*, *Dogges*, *Hogges*, as they were inclined in their liues.

* Pelcurio.
Incendium &
conceptus subiecti.

^b *Galenus* in
quæst. pag. 362.
Bright in *Phys.*
Scrib. l. 1. c. 6.

^c *Lib. an mores*
sequantur, &c.

^d *Caesar* 6. *Com.*

^e *Read* *Aeneas*
Gareus dial. of
the immorta-
lity of the soul.

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* *ing. ferinas*

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*Possumus ire domus, pecudumq. in corpora comā.** *Ovid. met. 15.** *In Gallia.** *Lucians Cock was first Euphorbus a Captaine:**Ille ego (nam memini) Troiani tempore belli,**Idem.**Panthoïdes Euphorbus eram.*

a horse, a man, a sponge. * *Julian the Apostata*, thought *Alexanders Soul* was descended into his Body: *Plato* in *Timao*, & in his *Phadon* (for ought I can perceive) differs not much from this opinion, that it was first God at first, & knew all, but being inclosed in the Body, it forgets, & learns anew, which he calls *reminiscentia*, or recalling, & that it was put into the body at first for a punishment, & thence it goes into a beasts, or mans, as appears by his pleasant fiction of *fortitione animarum*, lib. 10. de rep. & after 10000. yeares, is to returne into the former body againe.

* *Nicephorus*
bist. lib. 10. c. 35* *In Phadon.*
† *Claudian. lib.*
1. de rap. Pro-
serp.*Rursus ad humane fertur primordia vite.*

Others deny the immortality of it, which *Pomponatius* of *Padua* decided out of *Aristotle*, not long since. *Plinius Avunculus* cap. 7. lib. 2. & lib. 7. cap. 55. *Dicerchus* in *Tull. Tusc. Epicurus, Aratus, Galen, Lucretius* lib. 1.

*(Præterea gigni pariter cum corpore, & una**Crescere sentimus, pariterq. fenescere mentem)*

Averres, & I know not how many *Neotericks*. This question of the Immortality of the Soule, is diversely & wonderfully impugned & disputed, especially amongst the *Italians* of late, saith *lab. Colerus* lib. de immort. anima, cap. 1. The *Popes* themselves have doubted of it. *Leo Decimus* that *Epicurean Pope*, as † some record of him, caused this question to be discussed pro and con before him, and concluded at last, as the *Moderator*, with that verse of *Cornelius Gallus*,

Hec questio
multos per an-
nos variè, ac
mirabiliter im-
pugnata &c.
† *Celerum ibid.**Et redit in nihilum, quod fuit ante nihil.*

It beganne of nothing, and in nothing it ends. *Zeno* and his *Stoicks*, as * *Austin* quotes him, supposed the Soule so long to continue, till the Body was fully putrified, and resolved into *materia prima*: but after that, in *fumos evanescere*, to be extinguished and vanish; and in the meane time, whilst the body was consuming, it wandred all abroad, & longeinquos multa annunciare, and (as that *Clazemonian Hermotimus* averred) saw pretty visions, and sufficed I know not what.

* *De eccles. dog.*
cap. 16.† *Errant exanguis sine corpore & ossibus umbra.*† *Ovid. 4. Met.*

Others grant the immortality thereof, but they make many fabulous fictions in the meane time of it, after the departure from the Body: like *Plato's Elisian fields*, and that *Turkie Paradise*. The Soules of good men they deified; the bad (saith *h Austin*) became devils, as they supposed; with many such absurd tenets, which hee hath confuted. *Hierome*, and other Fathers of the Church, hold that the Soule is immortall, created of nothing, and so infused into the Childe or *Embrio* in his Mothers wombe, six moneths after the conception; not as those of Brutes, which are *ex Traduce*, and dying with them, vanish into nothing. To whose diuine Treatises, and to the Scriptures themselves, I rejourne all such Atheisticall spirits, as *Tully* did *Atticus*, doubting of this point, to *Plato's Phadon*. This Reasonable Soule, which *Austin* calls a Spirituall substance, moving it selfe, is defined by Philosophers to be the first substantiall Act of a Natural, Humane, Organicall Body, by which a man lives, perceives, and understands, freely doing all things, and with election. Out of

* *Bonorum La-*
res, malorum ve-
ro larvas & Lo-
mures.† Some say as
3. daies, some
six weekes, &c.
thers other-
wise.

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which Definition we may gather, that this *Rationall Soule* includes the powers, and performes the duties of the two other, which are contained in it, and all three Faculties make one *Soule*, which is inorganicall of it selfe, although it be in all parts, and incorporeall, vsing their Organs, and working by them. It is divided into two chiefe parts, differing in office only, not in Essence. The *Vnderstanding*, which is the *Rationall* power apprehending: the *Will*, which is the *Rationall* power mouing, to which two, all the other *Rationall* powers are subiect and reduced.

SVBSEC. 10.

Of the Vnderstanding.

Adaptation.

Vnderstanding is a power of the Soule, by which we perceiue, know, remember, and iudge as well Singulars, as universals: hauing certaine innate notions or beginnings of arts, a reflecting action, by which it iudgeth of his owne doings, and examines them. Out of this Definition (besides his chiefe office, which is to apprehend, iudge all which he performes, without the helpe of any Instruments or Organs) three differences appeare betwixt a Man and a beast. As first, the sense only comprehends *Singularities*, the Vnderstanding *universalities*. Secondly, the sense hath no innate notions: Thirdly, Brutes can not reflect vpon themselves. Bees indeed make neate and curious works, and many other Creatures besides, but when they haue done, they cannot iudge of them. His obiect is God, *Ens*, all nature, and whatsoeuer is to be vnderstood: which successfullly it apprehends. The obiect first mouing the *Vnderstanding*, is some sensible thing, after by discoursing, the Minde findes out the corporeall substance, and from thence the spirituall. His actions (some say) are *Apprehension*, *Composition*, *Diuision*, *Discoursing*, *Reasoning*, *Memory*, which some include in *Invention* and *Iudgment*. The common Diuisions are of the Vnderstanding; *Agent*, and *Patient*, *Speculative*, and *Practicke*; In *Habite* or in *Act*, *Simple* or *Compound*. The *Agent* is that which is called the *Wit* of Man, *acumen* or subtilty, *sharpnesse* of invention, when he doth invent of himselfe without a Teacher, or learns anew, which abstracts those intelligible Species from the Phantasie, and transferres them to the passiue Vnderstanding, because there is nothing in the Vnderstanding, which was not first in the Sense: that which the Imagination hath taken from the Sense, this *Agent* iudgeth of, whether it be true or false; and being so iudged, he commits it to the *Passible* to be kept. The *Agent* is a Doctor or Teacher, the *Passive* a Scholler; and his office is to keepe, and farther iudge of such things as are committed to his charge: as a bare and rased table at first, capable of all formes and notions. Now these *Notions* are two-fold, *Actions* or *Habits*: *Actions*, by which we take *Notions* of, and perceiue things; *Habits*, which are durable lightes and notions, which we may vse when we will. Some reckon vp eight kindes of them, *Sense*, *Experience*, *Intelligence*, *Faith*, *Suspition*, *Error*, *Opinion*, *Science*; to which are added *Art*, *Prudency*, *Wisdom*: as also *Synterisis*, *Dictamen rationis*, *Conscience*; so that in all there bee 14 Species of the Vnderstanding, of which some are innate, as the three last mentioned; the other are got by doctrine, learning, and vse. *Plato* will haue all to be innate, *Aristotle* reckons vp

*Nihil in intel-
lectu, quod non
prius fuerat in
sensu.*

Dele.

*The pure
part of the
Conscience.*

vp but five intellectuall Habits: two *speculative*, as that *Intelligence of the principles*, and *Science of conclusion*: Two *practicke*, as *Prudency*, whose end is to *practise*; *Art* to fabricate; *Wisedome* to comprehend the use and experiments of all notions and habits whatsoever. Which diuision of *Aristotle* (if it be considered aright) is all one with the precedent; for three being innate, and five acquire, the rest are improper, imperfect, and in a more strict examination excluded. Of all these I should more amply dilate, but my subiect will not permit. Three of them I will only point at, as more necessary to my following Discourse.

Synteresis, or the purer part of the *Conscience*, is an innate Habit, & doth signify a *conservation of the knowledge of the Law of God and Nature*, to know good or euill. And (as our *Diuines* hold) it is rather in the *Vnderstanding*, then in the *will*. This makes the maior proposition, in a *practicke Syllogisme*. The *Dictamen rationis*, is that which doth admonish vs to doe Good, or Euill, and is the *minor* in the *Syllogisme*. The *Conscience* is that which approues Good or Euill, justifying or condemning our Actions, and is the *Conclusion* of the *Syllogisme*: as in that familiar example of *Regulus the Romane*, taken prisoner by the *Carthaginians*, & suffered to goe to *Rome*, on that condition he should returne againe, or pay so much for his ransom. The *Synteresis* proposeth the question, his word, oath, promise is to be religiously kept, although to his Enemy, and that by the Law of Nature. ⁿ Doe not that to another, which thou wouldst not haue done to thy selfe. *Dictamen* applyes it to him, and dictates this or the like: *Regulus*, thou wouldst not another man should falsifie his oath, or breake promise with thee: *Conscience* concludes therefore, *Regulus*, thou dost well to performe thy promise, and oughtest keepe thine oath. More of this in *Religious Melancholy*.

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ⁿ Quod tibi fieri non vis, alteri ne feceris.

SUBSEC. II.

Of the will.

Will, is the other power of the *rationall Soule*, which conuets or auoides such things as haue bene before iudged, and apprehended by the *Vnderstanding*. If good, it approues it; if euill, it abhorres it: so that his object is either good or euill. *Aristotle* calls this our *rationall Appetite*; for as in the *Sensitiue*, we are carried to good or bad by our *Appetite*, ruled and directed by *Sense*; so in this we are carried by *Reason*. Besides, the *Sensitiue Appetite* hath a particular object, good or bad: this an vniuersall, immateriall; that respects only things delectable and pleasant, this *Honest*. Again, they differ in liberty. The *Sensuall appetite* seeing an object, if it be a convenient good, cannot but desire it; if euill, auoide it: but this is free in his Essence, & much now depraued, obscured, and false from his first perfection; yet in some of his operations still free, as to goe, walke, moue at his pleasure, and to choose whether it will doe, or not doe; steale, or not steale. Otherwise in vaine were Lawes, Deliverations, Exhortations, Counsels, Precepts, Rewards, Promises, Threates, and Punishments: and God should be the Author of sinne. But in a *spirituall* things wee will no good, prone to euill, (except wee be regenerate, and led by the Spirit) wee are egged on by our naturall concupiscence, and there

ⁿ Res ab intellectu manifestatur recipit vel reprobatur. Philipp. Ignosi nulla cupiditas.

ⁿ Melanchthon Operationes plarum, fere, et si libera sit illarum essentia sua.

ⁿ In similibus bonis, sed non in spiritualibus. Osiander.

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* Tota voluntas
aversa à Deo.
Omnis homo
mendax.
Virg.

* Vel propter ig-
norantiam, quod
bonis studiis non
fit instructa
mens ut debuit,
aut diuinis præ-
ceptis exulta.

is *inordinata*, a confusion in our powers, & our whole will is auerſe from God and his Law, not in naturall things onely, as to eate & drinke, lust, to which we are led headlong by our temperature, and inordinate Appetite,

Nec nos obniti contra, nec tendere tantum Sufficimus.

wee cannot resist, our concupiscence is originally bad, our Heart euill, the seate of our Affections, captivates and enforceth our Will: So that in voluntary things wee are auerſe from God and goodnesse, bad by Nature, by ignorance worse, by Art, Discipline, Custome, wee get many bad Habits, suffering the to domineere and tyrannize ouer vs, and the Diuine is still ready at hand, with his euill suggestions, to tempt our depraued will to some ill-disposed action, to precipitate vs to destruction: except our will bee not swayed and counterpoised againe, with some diuine Precepts, and good motions of the Spirit, which many times restraine, hinder, and checke vs, when we are in the full careire of our dissolute courses. So *Dauid* corrected himselfe, when hee had *Saul* at a vantage. Reuenge and Malice were as two violent oppugners on the one side; but Honesty, Religion, Feare of God, with held him on the other.

The Actions of the will are *Welle*, and *Nolle*, will & nill; which two words comprehend all, and they are, Good or Bad, accordingly as they are directed: and some of them freely performed by himselfe, although the *Stoicks* absolutely deny it, and will haue all things ineuitably done by *Destiny*, imposing a fatall necessity vpon vs, which we may not resist; yet we say that our will is free in respect of vs, and things contingent, howsoeuer in respect of Gods determinate counsell, they are inevitable and necessary. Some other actions of the will are performed by the inferiour powers, which obey him as the *Sensitive* and *Mouing Appetite*, as to open our eyes, to goe hither and thither, not to touch a Booke, to speake faire or foule: but this *Appetite* is many times rebellious in vs. It was (as I said) once well agreeing with reason, and there was an excellent concent and harmony betwixt them, but that is now dissolued, they often jarre, Reason is ouer borne by *Passion*:

Fertur equis auriga, nec audit curras habenas,
as so many wilde horses runne away with a chariot, and will not bee curbed. We know many times what is good, but will not doe it, as she said,

* *Medea* Ouid.

Trahit inuitam nova vis, aliudq; cupido,

Mens aliud suadet.

lust counsels one thing, reason an other, there is a new reluctancy in men.

† Ouid.

† *Odi, nec possum, cupiens non esse, quod odi.*

‡ *Seneca* Hipp.

We cannot resist, but as *Phædra* confessed to her Nurse, * *que loqueris, vera sunt, sed furor suggerit sequi peiora*: Shee said well and true, shee did acknowledge it, but head-strong passion and fury, made her to doe that which was opposite. So *Dauid* knew the filthinesse of his fact, what a loathsome, foule, crying sinne Adultery was, yet notwithstanding he would commit murther, and take away another mans Wife, enforced against Reason, Religion, to follow his Appetite.

Those Naturall and Vegetall powers, are not commanded by will at all; for who can adde one cubite to his stature? These other may, but are not: and thence come all those head-strong Passions, and violent perturbations of the Mind;

And

And many times vicious Habits, customes, ferall Diseases, because wee giue so much way to our *Appetite*, and follow our inclination, like so many beasts. The principall *Habits* are two in number, *Vertue* and *Vice*, whose peculiar Definitions, Descriptions, Differences, and kindes, are handled at large in the *Ethicks*, and are indeed the subiect of *Morall Philosophie*.

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MEMB. 3.

SUBST. I.

Definition of Melancholy. Name, Difference.

HAuing thus briefly Anatomized the Body & Soule of Man, as a preparatiue to the rest; I may now freely proceed to treat of my intended subiect, to most mens capacity, and after many ambages, perspicuously define what this *Melancholy* is, shew his *Name*, and *Difference*. The *Name* is imposed from the matter, and the Disease denominated from the materiall cause: as *Brueel* obserues, *Μελαγχολία*, quasi *Μέλαιρα χόλη*, from blacke Choler. And whether it be a cause or an effect, a Disease, or Symptome, let *Donatus Altomarus*, and *Saluianus* decide, I will not contend about it. It hath feuerall descriptions, Notations, and Definitions, *Y Fracastorius* in his second booke of Intellect, calls those *Melancholy*, whom abundance of that same depraved humour of blacke Choler hath so misaffected, that they become mad thence, and dote in most things, or in all, belonging to election, will, or other manifest operations of the *Vnderstanding*. ² *Melanelius* out of *Galen*, *Ruffus*, *Aetius* describes it to be a bad and peeuish Disease, which makes men degenerate into beasts. *Galen*, a priuation or infection of the middle cell of the Head, &c. defining it from the part affected, which ² *Hercules de Saxonia* approues, lib. 1. cap. 16. calling it a depravation of the principall function: and *Fuchsius* lib. 1. cap. 23. *Arnoldus Breuiar.* lib. 1. cap. 18. *Guianerius* and others: By reason of blacke Choler, *Paulus* addes, *Halyabbas* simply calls it a commotion of the minde. *Areteus*, ^b a perpetuall anguish of the soule, fastned on one thing, without an ague: which Definition of his, *Mercurialis de affect.* cap. lib. 1. cap. 10. taxeth: but *Alianus Montaltus* defends, lib. de morb. cap. cap. 1. de Melan: for sufficient and good. The common sort define it to be a kinde of dotage, without any feauer, hauing for his ordinary companions, feare and sadnesse, without any apparant occasion. So doth *Laurentius*, cap. 4. *Piso*, lib. 1. cap. 43. *Donatus Altomarus* cap. 7. art. medic. *Iacchinus* in com. in lib. 9. *Rhasis* ad *Alman* for cap. 15. *Valesius* exerc. 17. *Fuschius* institut. 3. sec. 1. cap. 11. &c. Which common definition, howsoeuer approued by most, ^c *Hercules de Saxonia* will not allow of, nor *David Crusius*, *Theat. morb.* *Herm.* lib. 2. cap. 6. he holds it vsufficient: as ^d rather shewing what it is not, then what it is: as omitting the specificall difference, the phantasie and Braine: but I descend to particulars. The summum genus is Dotage, or Anguish of the minde, saith *Areteus*, of a principall part, *Hercules de Saxonia* addes, to distinguish it from Cramp and Palsie, and such diseases as belong to the outward Sense & motions (depraved) [†] to distinguish it from Folly and Madnesse (which *Montaltus* makes *angor animi* to seperate) in which, those functions are not depraved, but rather abolished (without an ague) is added by all, to seuer it from *Pbrensie*, and that *Melancholy*, which is a pestilent Feauer. (Feare and Sorrow)

¹ Melancholicos vocamus, quos exuperantia vel prauitas Melancholie ita male habet, ut inde insaniant, vel in omniibus, vel in pluribus iisq. manifestis, siue ad rectam rationem, voluntatem, pertinent, vel electionem, vel intellectus operationes.
² Pessimum & pertinacissimum morbum, qui homines in bruta degenerare cogit
^a Pant. Med.
^b Angor animi in una contentione defixus, absq. febre.

^c Cap. 16. lib. 1.

^d Eorum definitio morbus quid non sit potius, quam quid sit explicat.

[†] Anima functiones immutantur in fatuitate, tolluntur in mania, deprauantur solum in melancholia. *Herc. de Sax. cap. 1. Tract. de Melan*

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Cap. 4. de Mel.

make it differ from *Madnesse* (without a cause) is lastly inserted to specifie it from all other ordinary passions of *Feare* and *Sorrow*. We properly call that *Dotage*, as *Laurentius* interprets it, when some one principall facultie of the mind as *Imagination*, or *reason* is corrupted, as all *Melancholy* persons haue. It is without a *Feauer*, because the humour is most part cold and dry, contrary to putrefaction. *Feare* and *Sorrow* are the true Characters, and inseparable companions of most *Melancholy*, not all, as *Her. de Saxonia Tract. posthumo de Melancholia*, cap. 2. wel excepts, for to some it is most pleasant, as to such as laugh most part; some are bold againe, and free from all maner of feare and griete, as hereafter shall be declared.

SVB SEC. 2.

Of the part affected. Affection. Parties affected.

† Per consensum
sive per essentia.

† Cap. 4. de Mel.

§ Sec. 7. de mor.
vulgar. lib. 6.

h Spicel. de Me-
lancholia.

† Cap. 3. de Mel.

pars affecta ce-
rebrum, sive per
consensum, sive
per cerebrum
contingat, &
procerum aucto-
ritate & ratione
stabilitur.

h Lib. de Melan-
cholia. cor vero
vicinitatis rati-
one una affici-
tur, ac septum
transuersum ac
stomachus cum
dorsali spina,
&c.

† Lib. 1. cap. 10.
Subiectum est
cerebrum inte-
rius.

m Raro quisquam
tumorem effugit
hienis, qui hoc
morbo afficitur.
Piso.

Quis affectus.

n Sec. Donatum
ab Altomar.

o Facultas Ima-
ginandi, non co-
gitandi, nec me-
morandi lesa hic.

SOME difference I finde amongst Writers, about the principall part affected in this disease, whether it be the *Braine*, or *Heart*, or some other Member. Most are of opinion, that it is the *Braine*: for being a kinde of *Dotage*, it cannot otherwise be, but that the *Braine* must be affected, as a Similar part, be it by consent or Essence, not in his Ventriles, or any obstructions in them, for then it would be an *Apoplexie*, or *Epilepsie*, as *Laurentius* well obserues; but in a colde dry distemperature of it in his substance, which is corrupt, and become too cold, or too dry, or else too hot, as in mad men, and such as are inclined to it: and this *Hippocrates* confirms, *Galen*, *Arabians*, & most of our new writers. *Marcus de Oddis*, in a consultation of his, quoted by *Hildisheim*, and fine others there cited, are of the contrary part, because *Feare* and *Sorrow*, which are passions, are seated in the *Heart*. But this objection is sufficiently answered by *Montaltus*, who doth not deny that the *Heart* is affected (as *Melanelius* proues out of *Galen*) by reason of his vicinity; and so is the *Midriffe*, and many other parts. They doe *compati*, and haue a fellow feeling by the Law of Nature: but for as much as this malady is caused by precedent *Imagination*, and the *Appetite*, to whom *Spirits* obey, & are subiect to those principall parts: the *Braine* must needs primarily bee misaffected, as the seat of *Reason*, & then the *Heart*, as the seat of *Affection*. *Capinaccius*, and *Mercurialis* haue copiously discussed this question, & both conclude the subiect is the *Inner Braine*, and from thence it is communicated to the *Heart*, and other inferiour parts, which sympathize and are much troubled, especially when it comes by consent, and is caused by reason of the *Stomacke*, or *myrache*, as the *Arabians* tearme it, or whole Body, *Liuer*, or *Splene*, which are seldome free *Pylorus*, *Meseriacke*, *Veines*, &c. For our Body is like a Clock, if one wheele be amisse, all the rest are disordered, the whole *Fabrick* suffers: with such admirable Art and Harmony is a man composed, such excellent proportion, as *Lodovicus Vives* in his *Fable of man* hath elegantly declared.

As many doubts almost arise about the Affection: whether it be *Imagination* or *Reason* alone, or both. *Hercules de Saxonia* proues out of *Galen*, *Etius*, and *Altomar*, that the sole fault is in *Imagination*. *Bruelis* of the same minde: *Montaltus* in his second Chapter of *Melancholy*, confutes this

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Tener of theirs, and illustrates the contrary, by many examples: as of him, that thought himselfe a shel-fish; of a Nuntie, and of a desperate Monke, that would not be perswaded, but that he was damned. Reason was in fault as well as Imagination, which did not correct this error; they make away themselves oftentimes, and suppose many absurd and ridiculous things. Why doth not Reason detect the Fallacy, settle and perswade, if she be free? *P. Avicenna* therefore holdes both corrupt, to whom most *Arabians* subscribe. The same is maintained by *Aretius*, *Gordonius*, *Guianerius*, &c. To end the controuersie, no man doubts of Imagination, but that it is hurt and mis-affected here; for the other I determine with *Albertinus Bottonus*, a Doctor of Padua, that it is first in Imagination, and afterwards in Reason, if the Disease be inveterate, or as it is more or lesse of continuance: but by accident, as *Her. de Saxonia* addes; faith, opinion, discourse, ratiocination, are all accidentally depraved, by default of the Imagination.

To the part affected, I may here adde the parties, which shall be more opportunely spoken of elsewhere, now only signified. Such as haue the *Moone*, *Saturne*, *Mercury* misaffected in their genitures, such as liue in ouer-cold, or ouer-hot Climes: Such as are borne of *Melancholy* parents: as offend in those six non-naturall things, are black, or of an high sanguine complexion, that haue little heads, that haue a hot Heart, moist Braine; hot Liuer, and colde stomacke, haue beene long sicke: such as are solitary by nature, great Students, giuen to much contemplation, idle, lead a life out of action, are most subiect to Melancholy. Of Sexes both, but men more often; yet women when they are, are far more violent, & grienously troubled. Of seasons of the yeare, the *Autumne* is most melancholy. Of peculiar times, old age, from which naturall Melancholy is almost an inseparable accident; but this artificiall Malady is most frequent in such as are of a middle age. Some assigne 40 yeares, *Gariopontus* 30, *Iobertus* excepts neither young nor old from this aduentitious. *Atius* and *Aretius* ascribe into the number not only discontented, passionate, and miserable persons, swarty, blacke; but such as are most merry and pleasant, scoffers, and high coloured. Generally, saith *Rhasis*, the finest wits, & most generous spirits, are before others obnoxious to it, so that I cannot except any of any complexion, of any condition, sexe, or age, but fooles & Stoicks, which according to *Synesius*, are neuer troubled with any manner of passion, but as *Anacreons* cicada, sine sanguine & dolore, similes ferè dijs sunt. *Erasmus* vindicates fooles from this Melancholy Catalogue, because they haue most part moist braines, and light hearts, they are free from ambition, envie, shame and feare, they are neither troubled in conscience, nor macerated with cares, to which our whole life is much subiect.

citatis de facili incidunt in Melancholiam. l. 1. cont. Tract. 9. ^b Nunquam sanitate mentis excidit, aut dolore capitur. Eras. ^c In laud. calvit. ^d Vacant conscientie carnificina, nec nude sunt, nec verentur, nec dilacerantur millibus curarum, quibus tota vita obnoxia est.

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^p Lib. 3. Fen. 1.
Tract. 4. cap. 8.

^q Lib. 3. cap. 5.
^r Lib. Med. cap.
19. part. 2. Trac.
15. cap. 2.
^s Hildeheim
spicel. 2. de Me-
lanchol. fol. 207.
& fol. 127.

Quandoq. etiam
Rationalis si
affectus invete-
ratus sit.
^t Lib. posthumo
de Melanch.
edit. 1620. De-
prauatur, fides,
discursus, opinio,
&c. per vitium
Imaginationis,
ex Accidenti.
Parties affe-
cted.

^u Qui paruum
caput habent, in-
sensati pleriq.
sunt. Arist. in
physiognomia
^v Aretius lib. 3.
cap. 5.

^x Qui prope sta-
tum sunt. Aret.
Medius conueni-
etatis. Piso.
^y De quartana,
^z Promus ad
Melancholiam,
non tam maestus
sed & hilares,
iocosi, cachinnan-
tes, irrisores, &
qui plerumq.
prerubri sunt.

^a Qui sunt sub-
tilis ingenii, &
multe perspicua-

Of the matter of Melancholy.

^c Lib. 1. tract. 3.
contradic. 18.

^f Lib. 1. cont. 21

^g Bright cap. 16

^h Lib. 1. cap. 6.

de sanit. tuenda.

ⁱ Quisve aut

qualis sit humor,

aut que istius

differentie, &

quomodo signa-

tur in corpore,

scrutandum, hac

enim in re multi

veterum labora-

uerunt, nec facile

accipere ex Ga-

leno sententiam

ob loquendi va-

rietatem. Leo-

nart. Iacchinus

com. in 9 Rasis.

cap. 15.

cap. 16. in 9.

Rasis.

^{*} Tract. postum.

de Melan. edit.

Venetis 1620.

cap. 7. & 8. ab

Intemperie cali-

da, humida, &c.

^k Secundum

magis aut mi-

nus si in corpore

fuerit, ad intem-

periem plusquam

corius salubriter

ferre poterit: in

de corpus mor-

bosum efficitur.

^l Lib. 1. contro-

vers. cap. 21.

^m Lib. 1. sec. 4.

cap. 4.

ⁿ Consil. 26.

^o Lib. 2. contra-

dict. cap. 11.

^p De feb. tract.

4. diff. 2. cap. 1.

non est negan-

dum ex hac fie-

ri Melancholicos

^q In Syntax.

^r Varie aduiritur

& miscetur, un-

de varie amen-

zium species.

Melancthon.

^s Humor frigidus delirij causa: furoris calidus, &c.

OF the Matter of Melancholy, there is much question betwixt *Auicenna* and *Galen*, as you may read in *e* *Cardans Contradictions*, *f* *Valesius* controuerfies, *Montanus*, *Prosper Calenus*, *Capiuaccius*, *g* *Bright*, *h* *Ficinus*, that haue written either whole Tracts, or copiously of it, in their feuerall Treatises of this Subiect. *i* what this humour is, or whence it proceeds, how it is ingendred in the body, neither *Galen*, nor any old writer hath sufficiently discufsed, as *Iacchinus* thinkes: the Neotericks cannot agree. *Montanus* in his consultations, holds Melancholy to be materiall or immateriall: and so doth *Arculanus*: the materiall is one of the foure humors before mentioned, and natural. The immateriall or aduentitious, acquisite, redundant, vnnatural, artificiall: which ** Hercules de Saxoniâ* will haue reside in the spirits alone, and to proceed from an hot, cold, dry, moist distemperature, which without matter, alter the braine and functions of it. *Paracelsus* wholly reiects and derides this diuifion of foure humours and complexions, but our *Galenists* generally approue of it, subscribing to this of *Montanus*.

This materiall melancholy is either simple, or mixt; offending in Quantity or Quality, varying according to his place, where it seileth, as Braine, Spleene, Meseriacke veines, Heart, Wombe, and Stomacke: or varying according to mixture of those naturall humours amongst themselves, or foure vnnatural adust humours, as they are diuersly tempered and mingled. If naturall melancholy abound in the Body, which is cold and dry, so that it be more *k* then the Body is well able to beare, it must needs be distempered, saith *Fauentinus*, and diseased: and so of the other, if it bee depraued, whether it arise from that other Melancholy or Choler adust, or from Blood, produceth the like effects, and is, as *Montaltus* contends, if it come by adustion of humours, most part hot and dry. Some difference I finde, whether this melancholy matter may be ingendred of all foure humours, about the colour and temper of it. *Galen* holds it may be ingendred of three alone, excluding Fleagme or Pituita, whose true assertion, *Valesius* and *Menardus* stiffly maintaine, and so doth *m* *Euchsius*, *Montaltus*, *n* *Montanus*. How (say they) should white become blacke? But *Hercules de Saxoniâ*, lib. post. de melan. cap. 8. and *Cardan*, are of the opposite part: it may be ingendred of Fleagme, et si raro contingat, it seldome comes to passe: so is *p* *Guianerius* and *Laurentius* cap. 14. and *Melancthon* in his booke de Anima, and Chapter of humours; hee calls it *Asininam*, dull, swinish melancholy, and saith that he was an eye-witnesse of it: so is *q* *wecker*. From melancholy adust ariseth one kinde, from Choler another, which is most brutish: another from Fleagme, which is dull; and the last from Blood, which is best. Of these some are cold and dry, others hot and dry, *r* varying according to their mixtures, as they are intended and remitted. If the humor be cold, it is, saith *Fauentinus*, a cause of dotage, and produceth milder symptomes: if hote, they are rash, raving mad, or inclining to it. If the braine be hot, the animall spirits are hot, much madnesse followes with violent actions: if cold, fatuity & sottish-

nesse

ness, ^a Capivaccius. "The colour of this mixture varies likewise according to the mixture, be it hot or cold, 'tis sometimes blacke, sometimes not. Altomarus. The same ^x Melanelius proues out of Galen: and Hippocrates in his booke of melancholy, if at least it be his, giuing instance in a burning coale, which when it is hot, shines, and when it is cold, lookes blacke, and so doth the humour. This diuersity of Melancholy matter, produceth diuersity of effects. If it bee within the y body, and not putrified, it causeth blacke laundise: if putrified, a Quartan Ague: if it breake out to the skinne, Leprosie; if to parts, seuerall Maladies, as Scurvy, &c. If it trouble the minde, as it is diuersly mixt, it produceth seuerall kindes of Madnesse and Dorage, of which in their place.

SVBSEC. 5.

Of the species or kindes of Melancholy.

When the matter is diuers and confused, how should it otherwise be, but that the Species should be diuers and confused? Many new and old Writers haue written confusedly of it, confounding Melancholy and Madnesse, as ^z Heurnius, Guianerius, Gordonius, Salustius Saluianus, Iason Pratensis, Savanarola, that will haue Madnesse no other then Melancholy in Extent, differing (as I haue said) in degrees. Some make no distinct Species, as Ruffus Ephesus an old Writer, Areteus, ^a Aurelianus, Paulus Aegineta: others acknowledge a multitude of kindes, and leaue them indefinite, as ^b Aetius in his Tetrabiblos, ^c Avicenna lib. 3. Fem. 1. Tract. 4 cap. 18. Arculanus cap. 16. in 9. Rasis. Montanus med. part. 1. ^d If naturall Melancholy be adust, it maketh one kinde; if blood, another; if choler, a third, differing from the first, and so many seuerall opinions there are about the kindes, as there be men themselves. [†] Hercules de Saxonia lets downe two kindes, materiall and immateriall; one from spirits alone, the other from humors and spirits. Savanarola Rub. 11. Tract. 6. cap. 1. de egritud. cap. will haue the kindes to be infinite, one from the myrach, called myrachialis of the Arabians; another stomachalis, from the stomach, another from the liuer, heart, wombe, hemrods: ^e one beginning, another consummate. Melanchon seconds him, ^f as the humor is diuersly adust and mixt, so are the species diuers: but what these men speake of species, I thinke ought to be vnderstood of Symptomes, and so doth ^e Arculanus interpret himselfe: Infinite species and symptomes: and in that sense, as Io. Gorrheus acknowledgeth in his medicinall definitions, the species are infinite, but they may bee reduced to three kinds, by reason of their seat, Head, Body, and Hypochondries. This three-fold diuision is approued by Hippocrates in his booke of Melancholy, (if it bee his, which some suspect) by Galen lib. 3. de loc. affectis cap. 6. by Alexander lib. 1. cap. 16. Rasis lib. 1. Continent. Tract. 9. lib. 1. cap. 16. Avicenna, and most of our new Writers. Th. Erasmus makes two kindes; one perpetuall, which is Head melancholy: the other interrupt, which comes and goes by fits, which he subdiuides into the other two kindes, so that all comes to the same passe. Some againe make foure or fiew kindes, adding ^h Loue melancholy to the first, and Lycanthropia. The most receiued diuision is into three kindes. The first proceeds from the sole fault of the Braine, and is called Head melancholy: the second, sympathetically proceeds from the whole Body, when the whole tem-

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^a Lib. 1. cap. 10.

de affect. cap.

^u Nigrescit hic

humor, aliquan-

do super calefa-

ctus, aliquando

superfrigidatus.

cap. 7.

^x Humor hic ni-

ger aliquando

preter modum

caesatus, & a-

lia refrigeratus

evadit: nam v-

rentibus carbo-

nibus ei quid si-

mile accidit, qui

durante flamma

pelluci:issime

candent, ea ex-

tincta prorsus

nigrescant Hip-

pocrates.

^y Guianerius.

diff. 2. cap. 7.

^z Non est Ma-

ia, nisi extensa

Melancholia.

^a Cap. 6. lib. 1.^b 2. Ser. 2. cap. 9.

Morbus hic est

omniarius.

^c Species indefi-

nite sunt.

^d Si aduatur

naturalis Me-

lancholia, alia fit

Species, si sanguis

alia, si flava bilis

alia diversa a

primis: maxima

est inter has dif-

ferentia, & tot

Doctores una sen-

tentie, quot ipsi

nmero sunt.

[†] Tract. de mel.

cap. 7.

^e Quaedam in-

cipiens, quedam

consummata.

^f Cap. de humor.

lib. de Anima.

varie aduatur

& miscetur ipsa

Melancholia,

unde varie a-

mentium species.

^g Cap. 16. in 9.

Rasis.

^h Laurentius

cap. 4. de Mel.

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icap. 13.

perature is Melancholy: The third ariseth from the Bowels, Liuer, Spleene, or Membrane, called *Mesenterium*, named *Hypocondriacall*, or windy Melancholy, which ¹ *Laurentius* subdivides into three parts, from those three Members, *Hepaticke*, *Splenaticke*, *Meseriacke*, *Loue Melancholy*, which *Avicenna* calls *Ilsbia* and *Lycanthropia*, which hee calls *Cucubuthe*, are commonly included in Head Melancholy: but of this last, which *Gerardus de Solo* calls *Amoreos*, and most Knight melancholy, with that of Religious melancholy, and all the other kindes, of Loue melancholy, I will speake a-part by themselves in my third Partition. The three precedent species are the subiect of my discourse, which I will anatomize, and treat of, through all their causes, symptomes, cures, together, and a-part; that euery man that is in any measure affected with this malady, may know how to examine it in himselfe, and apply remedies vnto it.

It is a hard matter, I confesse, to distinguish these three Species; one from the other, to expresse their seuerall causes, symptomes, cures, being that they are so often confounded amongst themselves, hauing such affinity, that they can scarce be discerned by the most accurate Physicians; and so often intermixt with other diseases, that the best experienced haue bene plunged. *Montanus consil. 26.* had a patient that had this disease of Melancholy, and *caninus Appetitus* both together. And *consil. 23.* with *Vertigo*. ¹ *Iulius Caesar Claudinus* with Stone, Gout, landice. *Trincavellius* with an Ague, landice, *Caninus Appetitus* &c. ^m *Paulus Regoline* a great Doctor in his time, consulted in this case, and was so confounded with a confusion of Symptomes, that he knew not to what kinde of Melancholy to referre it. ⁿ *Trincavellius*, *Fallopins*, & *Francanzanus*, three famous Doctors in Italy, all three conferred with about one party, at the same time, gaue three different opinions. And in another place, *Trincavellius* being demaunded what hee thought of a Melancholy young man, to whom he was sent for, ingeniously confessed, that he was indeede melancholy, but he knew not to what kinde to reduce it. In his 17. consultation, there is the like disagreement about a melancholy Monke. Those symptomes, which others ascribe to mis-affected parts & humors, [†] *Herc. de Saxonia* attributes wholly to distempered spirits, & those immateriall, as I haue said. Sometimes they cannot well discern this Disease from others. In *Reinnerus Solenanders* counsels, *Sect. 3. consil. 5.* He and *D. Brande* both agreed, that the Patients Disease was *Hypocondriacall* melancholy. *D. Mattholdus* said it was *Astma*, and nothing else. ^o *Solenander* and *Guarionius*, lately sent for to the melancholy Duke of Cleue, with others, could not define what Species it was, or agree amongst themselves. The Species are so confounded, as in *Caesar Claudinus* his 44 consultation for a Polonian Count, In his iudgment *P* he laboured of Head melancholy, and that which proceedes from the whole temperature both at once. I could giue instance of some that haue had all three kindes, *semel & simul*, and some successiue. In such variety of Symptomes, causes: how difficult a thing is it to treat of seuerall kindes apart; to make any certainty amongst so many casualties, distractions, when seldome two men shall be like affected *per omnia*? Tis hard, I confesse, yet neuerthelesse I will aduventure through the midst of these perplexities, and led by the clewe or thread of the best Writers, extricate my selfe out of a Labyrinth of doubts and errors, and so proceed to the Causes.

¹ 480. & 116.
consulte. consil. 12

^m *Heldisheim*
spicel. 2. fol. 166.
ⁿ *Trincavellius*
Tom. 2. consil. 15
& 16.

[†] *cap. 13. tract.*
post. de melan.

^o *Guarion. consil.*
med. 2.

^p *Laboravit per*
essentiam, & à
deco corpore.

SECT. 2.

MEMB. I. SUBSEC. I.

Causes of Melancholy.
GOD a cause.

IT is in vaine to speake of Cures, or thinke of remedies, vntill such time as wee haue considered of the Causes, so Galen prescribes Glauco: and the common experience of others, confirms, that those Cures must bee vnperfect, lame, and to no purpose, wherein the Causes haue not first beene searched, as Prosper Calenius well obserues, in his Tract de Atrâ bile to Cardinall Celsus. Insomuch that Fernelius puts a kinde of necessity in the knowledge of the Causes, and without which it is impossible to come, or to preuent any manner of disease. Empyrickes may ease, and sometimes helpe, but not thoroughly root out: *sublatâ causâ tollitur effectus*, as the saying is, if the cause be remoued, the effect is likewise vanquished. It is a most difficult thing (I confesse) to bee able to discern these causes whence they are, and in such variety, to say what the beginning was. He is happy that can performe it aright. I will adventure to guesse as neere as I can, and rip them all vp, from the first to the last, Generall and particular to euery Species, that so they may the better bee descried.

Generall causes, are either supernaturall, or naturall. Supernaturall are from God and his Angels, or by Gods permission from the Diuell and his ministers. That God himselfe is a cause for the punishment of sinne, and satisfaction of his Iustice, many examples and testimonies of holy Scriptures make evident vnto vs, *Psalm. 107. 17. Foolish men are plagued for their offence, and by reason of their wickednesse. Gehazi was stroken with Leprosie, 2. Reg. 5. 27. Dauid plagued for numbring his people, 1. Par. 21, Sodom and Gomorrah swallowed vp. And this disease is peculiarly specified. Psalm. 107. 12. He brought down their heart through heauinesse. Deut. 28. 28. He stroke them with madnesse, blindnesse, and astonishment of heart.* An euill spirit was sent by the Lord vpon Saul, to vex him. Nabuchadnezzar did eate grasse like an Oxe, and his heart was made like the beasts of the field. Heathen stories are full of such punishments. Lycurgus, because he cut downe the Vines in his Country, was by Bacchus driuen into madnesse: so was Pentheus and his mother Agave for neglecting their sacrifice. Censor Fulvi⁹ ran mad for vntiling Iuno's Temple, to couer a new one of his owne, which he had dedicated to Fortune, and was confounded to death, with grieve and sorrow of heart. When Xerxes would haue spoiled Apollo's Temple at Delphos, of those infinite riches it possessed, a terrible thunder came from Heauen, and stroke 4000 men dead, the rest ran mad. A little after, the like happened to Brennus, lightning, thunder, earth-quakes, vpon such a sacrilegious occasion. If wee may beleue our Pontificall Writers, they will relate vnto vs many strange and prodigious punishments in this kinde, inflicted by their Saints, How Clodoveus sometime King of France, the son of Dogebert, lost his wits for vncouering the body of S. Denis: and how a sacrilegious

errorum contemptor, templi foribus effractus, dum D. Iohannis argenteum simulacrum rapere contendit, simulacrum aversa facie dorsum ei versat, nec mora, sacrilegus mentis inops, atq; in semet. insanians in proprios artus desinit.

Frenchman,

⁹ Primo artis curatiue.

¹ Nosri primi sit propositi affectionum causas indagare, res ipsa bortari videtur, nam alioqui earum curatio, manca & inutilis esset.

² Path. lib. 1, cap. 11. Rerum cognoscere causas, medicis imprimis necessarium, sine quâ nec morbum curare, nec præuere licet.

³ Tanta enim morbi varietas ac differentia, ut non facile dignoscatur, unde initium morbus sumperit, Melanclius è Galeno.

⁴ Felix qui potuit rerum cognoscere causas.

⁵ 1. Sam. 16. 14

⁶ Dan. 5. 21.

⁷ Laſani inſtit. lib. 2. cap. 8.

⁸ Mente captus, & summo animi in merore consumptus.

⁹ Munſter. Cosmog. lib. 4. cap.

43. de celo subſternabantur,

tanquam inſani de ſaxis præcipitati &c.

¹⁰ Gaguinus lib.

3. cap. 4. quod Dionysii corpus disſcooperuerat,

in inſania incidit

¹¹ Idem lib. 9.

ſub Carol. 6. ſa-

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^a Givaldus Cā-
brensis, lib. 1.
cap. 1. Itinerar.
Cambrie.

^c Delrio Tom. 3
l. 6. sect. 3. quæ 3

^f Psal. 44. 1.

^g Lib. 3. Cap. de
Hierar.

^h Claudian.

ⁱ De Babilā
Martyre.

^k Lib. 1. cap. 5.
prog.

^l Lib. 1. de Ab-
ditis rerum
causis.

^m Respons. med.
12. resp.

[†] Pet. 3. 6.

Frenchman, that would haue stolne away a siluer Image of S. Iohn at Bir-
burge, became franticke on a suddaine, raging, and tyrannizing ouer his own
flesh. Of a ^d Lord of Rbadnor, that comming from hunting late at night, put
his Dogges into S. Auans Church, (Llan Auau they call it) and rising betimes
next morning, as Hunters vse to doe, found all his Dogges mad, himsele be-
ing suddenly stroken blind. Of Tyridates an ^e Armenian King, for violating
some holy Nunnes, that was punished in like sort, with losse of his wits. But
Poets and Papists may goe together for fabulous tales; let them free their
owne credits: Howsoeuer they faine of their *Nemesis*, and of their *Saints*, or
by the Diuels meanes may be deluded; we find it true, that *Vltor à tergo Deus*,
He is ^f God the Auenger, as *Dauid* stiles him; and that it is our crying sinnes that
pull this and many other maladies vpon our owne heads. That he can by his
Angels, which are his Ministers, strike and heale (saith ^g *Dionysius*) whom
he will; that he can plague vs by his Creatures, Sunne, Moone, and Starres,
which he vseth as his instruments; as a Husbandman (saith *Zanchius*) doth
an Hatcher: Haile, Snow, Windes &c:

^h Et coniurati veniunt in classica venti:

as in *Iosuahs* time, as in *Pharaohs* time in Egypt; they are but as so many Exe-
cutionets of his Iustice. Hee can make the proudest spirits stoupe, and cry
out with *Julian* the Apostate, *Vicisti Galilee*: or with *Apollo's* Priest in ⁱ *Chrysos-
tome*, *O cælum! ô terra! unde hostis hic?* What an enemy is this? And pray
with *Dauid*, acknowledging his power, *I am weakned and sore broken, I roare
for the griefe of mine heart, mine heart panteth*, &c: *Psal.* 38. 8. *O Lord rebuke me
not in thine anger, neither chastise me in thy wrath*, *Psal.* 38. 1. *make me to heare
ioy and gladnesse, that the bones which thou hast broken, may reioyce*, *Psal.* 51. 8. &
verse 12. *Restore to me the ioy of thy saluation, and stablish me with thy free spirit*.
For these causes belike ^k *Hippocrates* would haue a Physitian take special no-
tice, whether the disease come not from a diuine supernatural cause, or whe-
ther it follow the course of Nature. But this is farther discuffed by ^l *Ferne-
lius*, and ^m *I. Caesar Claudinus*, to whom I referre you, how this place of *Hyp-
pocrates* is to be vnderstood. *Paracelsus* is of opinion, that such spirituall Dis-
eases (for so he calles them) are spirituallly to bee cured, and not otherwise.
Ordinary meanes in such cases, will not auaile: *Non est reluctandum cum Deo*.
When that monster-taming *Hercules* ouercame all in the *Olympicks*, *Iupiter*
at last in an vnknowne shape wrestled with him: the victory was vncertaine,
till at length *Iupiter* discryed himsele, and *Hercules* yeelded, No struiuing with
supreame powers,

Nil iuvat immensos Cratere promittere montes.

Physitians and Physicke can doe no good, [†] wee must submit our selues vnder
the mighty hand of God, acknowledge our offences, call to him for mercy. If
he strike vs, *una eademq. manus vulnus opemq. feret*, as it is with them that are
wounded with the speare of *Achilles*, hee alone must helpe; otherwise our
diseases are incurable, and wee not to be releiued.

SUBSEC. 2.

A Digression of Diuels, and how they cause Melancholy.

HOW farre the power of Diuels doth extend, and whether they can cause this or any other Disease, is a serious question and worthy to be considered, for the better vnderstanding of which, I will make a briefe digression of the nature of Diuels. And although the question be very obscure, according to ⁿ *Postellus* full of controuersie and ambiguity: yet as in the rest, I will aduenture to say something of it. In former times, as we read, *Acts* 23. The Sadducees denied that there were any such Spirits, Diuels, or Angels. So did the Peripateticks, and *Aristotle* himselfe, as *Pomponatius* stily maintaines, and *Scaliger* in some sort grants. Though *Dandinus* the Iesuite, *com. in lib. 2. de animâ*, stily denies it: *substantia separata* and Intelligences, are the same which Christians call Angells, and Platonists, Diuels. Epicures and Atheists are of the same minde in generall, because they neuer saw them. *Plato*, *Plotinus*, *Porphyrius*, *Iamblicus*, *Proclus*, insisting in the steps of *Trismegistus* and *Socrates*, make no doubt of it. Nor Stoicks, but that there are such spirits, though much erring from the truth. Concerning the first beginning of them, the ^o *Thalmudists* say that *Adam* had a wife called *Lilis*, before hee married *Eue*, and of her he begat nothing but Diuels. The *Turkes* & *Alcaron* is altogether as absurd and ridiculous in this point: but the Scripture informes vs Christians, how *Lucifer* the chiefe of them, with his associats, fell from heauen for his pride, and ambition; created of God, placed in heauen, & sometimes an Angell of light, now cast downe into Hell, and deliuered into Chaines of darknesse, *2. Pet. 2. 4. to be kept vnto damnation*. There is a foolish opinion which some hold, that they are the soules of men departed, the which *M. Tyrius* ser. 27. maintaines. These spirits, he* saith, which we call Angels and Diuels, are nought but soules of men departed, which either through loue and pittie of their friends yet liuing, helpe & assist them, or else persecute their enemies, whom they hated: Appointed by those higher powers to keepe men from their natiuity and protect them, or to punish them as they see cause; and are called *boni* and *maligeni* by the Romans. *Socrat.* had his *Damonium*, as the Platonists supposed; *Plotinus* his; and we Christians our assisting Angells, as *Zanch.* and some Diuines hold. But this absurd Tenent of this *Tyrius*, *Proclus* confutes at large, in his booke *de Animâ & demone*.

^r *Psellus* a Christian, and sometimes Tutor (saith *Cuspinian*) to *Michael Papias*, Emperour of Greece, a great obseruer of the nature of Diuels, holds that they are corporeall, and haue aeriall bodies, that they are mortall, liue and dye, that they are nourished and haue excrements, that they feele paine if they be hurt (which *Cardan* confirms, & *Scaliger* iustly laughs him to scorne for, *si pascantur aere, cur non pugnant ob puriorem aera? &c.*) or stroken: and if their bodies be cut, with admirable celerity they come together againe. *Austin* in *Gen. lib. 3. de lib. arbit.* holds as much; *mutata casu corpora in deteriorem qualitatem aeris spissioris*. That in their fall their bodies were changed into a more aeriall and grosse substance. That they can assume aeriall bodies, all manner of shapes at their pleasures, appeare in what likeness they will themselves

ⁿ *Lib. 1. cap. 7. de orbis concordia. In nulla re maior fuit altercatio, maior obsecritas, minor opinio, concordia, quam de demonibus & substantijs separatis.*

^o *Petrus in Gnesin lib. 4. in cap. 3. ver. 23. P. See Strozzius Cicogna omni-faria Mag. lib. 2. cap. 15. 10. Aubanus, Bredenbachius.*

^q *Angelus per superbiam separatus à Deo, qui in veritate non stetit. Austin.*

Nature of Diuels.

[†] *Nihil aliud sunt Demones quam nude anime, que corpore deposito, priorem miserati vitam, cognatis succurrunt, commoti misericordia &c.*

^r *He liued 500 yeares since.*

^r *Apuleius: spiritus animalia sunt animo passibilia, mente rationalia, corpore aëria, tempore sempiterna.*

^r *Nutriantur, & excrementa habent, quod pulsata doleant, solido percussu corpore.*

^a Cyprianus in
Epyt. montes e-
tiam & anima-
lia transferri
possunt: as the
diuill did
Christ to the
top of the Pi-
nacle: & Wit-
ches are often
translated. See
more in Stroz-
zius Cicogna,
lib.3. cap.4. om-
nis mag. Per ae-
ra subducere &
in sublime cor-
pora ferre pos-
sunt, Biarmar-
nus. Percussio do-
lent & exultant
in conspicuos ci-
neres, Agrippa, l.
3. c.19. de occid.
Philos.

^x Part.3. sect.2
Memb.1.Sub.1.
Loue Melan-
choly.

^y Genial. diu.
Ita sibi visum
& compertum
quon prius an-
essent ambige-
ret.

Fidem suam li-
beret.

^z Sic Hesiodus
de Nymphis vi-
vere dicit 10.
etates phenice
vel 9.7.20.

^a Custodes ho-
minum & pro-
vinciarum, &c.

^a Natura fami-
liares ut canes
hominibus, mul-
ti auersantur &
abhorrent.

^b Ab homine
plus distant quam
homo ab ignobi-
lissimo verme, et
tamen quidam
ex his ab homi-
nibus superan-
tur ut homines a
feris, &c.

^c Cibi & potu
uti & venere

cum hominibus, ac tandem mori, Cicogna 1. part.1.2.c.3.

^d Plutarch. de defect. oraculorum.

^e Lib. de Zilphis & Pigmis.

selues, that they are most swift in motion, and can passe many miles in an instant, and so likewise ^u transforme bodies of others into what shape they please, & with admirable celeritie remoue them from place to place. Zanch. Bodine, Spondan. and others are of opinion, that they cause a true Metamorphosis, as Nabuchadnezzar was really translated into a Beast, Lots wife into a pillar of salt; Vlysses companions into Hogges and Dogs by Cyrces charmes: Turne themselves and others, as they doe Witches into Cats, Dogs, Hares, Crowes, &c. Strozzius Cicogna hath many examples, lib.3. omnis mag. cap.4: & 5. which he there confutes, As Austin doth de ciuit. Dei lib. 18. That they can be seene when and in what shape, and to whom they will, saith Psellus, Tametsi nil tale viderim, nec optem videre: Though hee himselfe neuer saw them nor desired it; and vse sometimes carnall copulation (as elsewhere I shall ^{*} proue more at large) with women and men. Many will not belecue that they can be seene. Marcns of his credit told Psellus that hee had often seene them. Paracels. confesseth that hee saw them diuers times, and conferred with them, and so doth Alexander ab Alexandro, that he so found it by experience, when as before he doubted of it. Many deny it, saith Lauater de spectris, part.1.c.2. & part.2.c.11. because they neuer saw them themselves. But as hee reports at large all ouer his booke, especially cap.19. part.1. they are often seen. Cardan lib.19. de subtil: relates of his father Facius Cardan; that after the accustomed solemnities, An: 1491: 13: August, hee coniured vp seauen Diuells in Greeke apparell, about 40 yeares of age, some ruddy of complexion, and some pale, as he thought: he asked them many questions, and they made ready answere, that they were aeriall Diuells, that they liued and died as men did sauing that they were farre longer liued (7 or 8 hundred z yeares) and that they did as farre excell men in dignitie, as we doe iumentes, and were as farre excelled againe of those that were about them: our gouernours and keepers and the Spirits of the meaner sort had such offices, as wee make horsekeepers, nead heards, and the basest of vs, ouerseers of our cattle. and that we can no more apprehend their natures & functions, then an horse a mans. They knew all things, but might not reueale them to men; & ruled & domineered ouer vs, as we doe ouer horses: the best Kings amongst vs, & the most generous spirits, were not comparable to the basest of them. Sometimes they did instruct men, & communicate their skill, reward and cherish, & sometimes againe terrifie and punish, to keepe them in awe, as they thought fit. The same author Cardan, in his Hyperchen, out of the doctrine of Stoicks, wil haue some of these Genij (for so he calls them) to be ^a desirous of mens company, very affable, and familiar with them as Dogges are; others againe to abhorre as Serpents, and care not for them. ^b Generally they farre excell men in worth, as a man the meanest worme, though some of them are inferior to men againe, as some degenerate, base, ratiomall creatures, are excelled of brute beasts.

That they are mortall, besides these testimonies of Cardan, many other Divines and Philosophers hold. The ^c Platonists and many Rabbines, Porphyrius and Plutarch, as appeares by that relation of Thamius. ^d The great God Pan is dead. Apollo Pythius ceased; and so the rest. S. Hierome in the life of Paule, the Ermite tels a story, how one of them appeared to S. Anthony in the wilderness, and told him as much. ^e Paracelsus of our late writers stilly main-

taines that they are mortall, and live and die, as other creatures doe. *Zozinus lib. 2.* farther addes, that religion and policy dies and alters with them. The Gentiles Gods, he saith, were expelled by *Constantine*, and together with them, *Imperij Romani maiestas*, & *fortuna*, interijt, & *profligata est*. The fortune and maiestie of the *Romane Empire*, decayed and vanished. But these paradoxes of their mortality, taking of shapes, transposing bodies, and carnal copulations, are sufficiently confuted by *Zanch. cap. 10. lib. 4. Pererius in his Comment.* & *Tostatus questions on the 6. of Gen. Th. Aquin. S. Austin. Hierus. Th. Erastus. Delrio To. 2. lib. 2. quest. 2. 9.* They may deceaue the eyes of men, but none take true bodies, or make a reall Metamorphosis: but as *Cicogna* proues at large, they are & *Illusorie & prestigiatrixes transformationes, omnis mag. lib. 4. cap. 4.* meere illusions and cozenings; yet thus much in generall, *Thomas, Durand*, and all the rest grant, that they haue vnderstanding farre beyond men, and can probably coniecture, and foretell many things; they can cause and cure most diseases; that they haue excellent skill in all Arts and Sciences; and that the most illiterate Diuell is *Quouis homine scientior*, as *Cicogna* main- taines out of others. They knowe the vertues of Hearbs, Plants, Stones, Mi- nerals, &c. Of all Creatures, Birds, Beasts, the foure Elements, Starres, Pla- nets, and can aptly apply them and make vse of them as they see good; know- ing the causes of all Meteors, and the like. They can produce miraculous alterations in the ayre, and most wonderfull effects. But that which *Bodine lib. 4. Theat. uir.* thinkes, that they can tell the secrets of a mans heart, is most false. His reasons are weake, and sufficiently confuted by *Zanch. lib. 4. cap. 9.* and others:

As for those orders of good and bad Diuels, which the Platonists hold, is altogether erroneous, and those Ethnicks, *boni* and *mali Genij*, are to bee ex- ploded. That which *Apuleius, Xenophon* and *Plato* contend of *Socrates De- monium*, is most absurd. That which *Plotinus* of his, that hee had likewise *De- um pro Damonio*; and that which *Porphyry* concludes of them all in generall, if they be neglected in their sacrifice they are angry, and send many plagues a- mongst vs; but if pleased, then they doe much good, is as vaine as the rest, & confuted by *Austin lib. 9. cap. 8. de Ciuit. Dei. Euseb. lib. 4. preparat. Evangel. cap. 6.* and others. Yet thus much I finde, that our Schoolemen and other Diuines make nine kindes of bad Diuels, as *Dionysius* hath done of Angels. In the first ranke are those false Gods of the Gentiles, which were adored heretofore in seuerall Idols, and gaue Oracles at *Delphos* & elsewhere, whose Prince is *Beelzebub*. The second ranke is of Liers, and Equivocaters, as *Ap- pollo Pythius*, and the like. The third are those vessels of anger, inventors of all mischief, as that *Theutus* in *Plato. Esay* calls them vessels of fury; their Prince is *Beliall*. The fourth are malicious, reuenging Diuels, and their Prince is *As- modens*. The fift kinde are coseners, such as belong to Magicians & Witches; their Prince is *Satan*. The sixt are those aeriall Diuels that corrupt the aire and cause plagues, thunders, fires, &c. spoken of in the *Apocalyps*, and *Paul* to the *Ephesians* names them the princes of the ayre: *Meresin* is their Prince. The seauenth is a destroyer, Capitaine of the Furies, causing wars, tumults, combustions, vproares, mentioned in the *Apocalyps*, and called *Abaddon*.

Dii gentium a Constantino pro- fligati sunt, &c.

Omnia spiritibus plena, & ex eorum concordia & discordia om- nes boni & mali effectus promanant, omnia hu- mana reguntur, par adu. veteru de quo Cicogna. omnis mag. lib. 4. cap. 3.
Justin. in lib. 2. de Gen. ad lite- ram cap. 17.
partim quia sub- tilioris sensus a- cuminis, partim scientia callidia- re videntur & ex- perientia, prop- ter magnam lo- giudinem vite, partim ab Ang- lis discunt, &c.
Lib. 3. omnis mag. cap. 2.

Quum tanta sit & tam pro- funda spirituum scientia, mihi non est tot tan- toq. res visu ad- mirabiles ab ip- sis patari, & quidem rerum naturalium, ope quas multo me- lius intelligunt, multoq. peritus suis locis & tem- poribus applica- re norant quam homo. Cicogna.
Orders.
De Deo Sa- cratis, adelt. n. i- bi diuina sorte Demonum.
quoddam a pri- ma pueritia me

sequutum, sepe dissuadet impellit nunquam instat vocis. Plato. *Agrippa lib. 3. de occult. pb. c. 18.* *Zanch. Pictorius, Pererius, Cicogna.* *ne. 1. 3. c. 1. &c.* *Vallano. c. 23.* *Quibus datum est nocere terre & mari, &c.*

m Physiol. Stoi-
corum e Senec.
lib. 1. cap. 28.
l. 1. p. 9. ad lunā
animas esse a-
ethereas, vocariq;
heros, lares, ge-
nios.

o Mart. Capella.
p. Nihil vacuum
ab his, ubi vel
capillum in aere
vel aqua iaceat.
q. Lib. de Zilph.

r. Lib. 7. cap. 3. 4.
c. 5. Syntax.
art. m. r. b.

s. Comment. in
dial. Plat. de a-
more, cap. 5.
v. s. p. n. e. r. a. que-
libet super nos,
ita prestantiores
habet habetato-
res sue sphere
confortes, ut ha-
bet nostra.

t. Saturnus &
Iouial accolas.

u. In loca detrusi
sunt infra cele-
stes orbes in ae-
rem (cilicet &
infra, ubi iudicio
generati refer-
vantur.

v. q. 63. art. 9.
Sublunary di-
uels and their
kinds.

w. Virg. 8. eg.
v. En. 4.

x. Justin: hoc di-
xi, ne quis exi-
stimet habitare
ibi mala demo-
nia, ubi Solem
& Lunam &
Stellas Deus or-
dinauit, & alibi
nemo arbitrare-
tur Demonem
caelis habitare
eum Angelis suis,
unde lapsum
credimus. Idem
Zanch. l. 4. c. 3.
de Angel. malis.
Petrus in Gen
cap. 6. lib. 8. in
ver. 2.

The eight is that accusing or calumniating Diuell, whom the Greekes call *Διόκολος*, that drives vs to despaire. The ninth are those tempters in seuerall kindes, and their prince is *Mammon*. *Pfellus* makes six kindes, but none aboue the Moone: but *Gazeus* cited by *m Lipsius*, will haue all places full of Angells and Diuels, aboue and beneath the Moone, ætheriall and aeriall, which *Au-
stin* cites out of *Varro* lib. 7. de *Ciuit. Dei* cap. 6. The celestiall Diuels aboue, and aeriall beneath: or as some will, Gods aboue, *Semidei*, or halfe Gods beneath, *Lares*, *Heroes*, *Genij*, which clime higher, if they liued well, as the *Stoicks* held; but grouell on the ground as they were baser in their liues, neerer to the earth: and are *Manes*, *Lemures*, &c. They will haue no place void, but all full of Spirits, Diuels, or some other inhabitants. *Plenum cælum, aer, aqua, terra, & omnia sub terrâ*, saith *P Gazeus*. Not so much as an haire breadth empty in heauen, earth, or waters, aboue or vnder the earth. The earth is not so full of flies in summer, as it is at all times of inuisible Diuels: this *¶ Paracelsus* stiffely maintaines, and that they haue euery one their seuerall *Chaos*. *Gregorius To-
losannus* makes seauen kindes of ætheriall Diuels, according to the number of the seauen Planets. Saturnine, Iouial, Martiall, &c. which liue about them, and as so many assisting powers cause their operations; and will haue, in a word, as many of them as there bee starres in the Skies. *Marsilius Ficinus* seemes to second this opinion, out of *Plato*, or from himselfe, I know not: As euery Spheare is higher, so hath it more excellent inhabitants: which belike is that *Galileus à Galileo*; and *Kepler* aimes at in his *nuncio Syderio*, when hee will haue * *Saturnine* and *Iouiall* inhabitants. And which *Tycho Brahe* doth in some sort touch or insinuate in one of his Epistles: but these things * *Zan-
chius* explodes, cap. 3. lib. 4.

So that according to these men, the number of ætheriall Spirits must needs be infinite: For if that be true that some of our Mathematicians say: if a stone should fall from that starry heauen, or eight Spheare, and should passe euery houre an hundred miles, it would bee 65 yeares, or more, before it would come to ground, by reason of the great distance of heauē from earth, which containes, as some say 170 Millions 803 miles, besides those other heauens, whether they be Christalline or watery which *Maginus* ads, which peraduenture holds as much more; how many such Spirits may it containe? And yet for all this *¶ Thomas* and *Albertus*, and most hold that there be farre more Angels then Diuels.

But be they more or lesse, *Quod supra nos nihil ad nos*. Wee are onely to speake in brieft of these sublunary Diuels: for the rest, our Diuines hold that the Diuell hath no power ouer starres, or heauens. * *Carminibus celo possunt deducere lunam, &c.* Those are poeticall fictions, and that they can *¶ sistere aquam fluuijs, & vertere sydera retrò, &c.* as *Canidia* in *Horace*, 'tis all false. *¶ They* are confined vntill the day of iudgement, to this sublunary world, & can worke no farther then the foure Elements, and as God permits them. Wherefore of these sublunary Diuels, *Pfellus* makes six kindes, fiery, aeriall, terrestriall, watery, and subterranean diuels, besides those Fairies, Satyres, Nymphes, &c.

Fiery Diuels are such as commonly worke by blazing starres, fire-drakes, & coun terfeit Sunnes and Moones, starres oftentimes, and sit on ship Masts, which neuer appeare, saith *Cardan*, but they signifie some mischiefe or other

to come vnto men: Our stories are full of such apparitions. Some thinke they keepe their residence in that *Hecla*, a mountaine in Island, *Aetna* in Sicily, *Lypera*, *Vesuvius*, &c. These diuels were worshipped heretofore by that superstitious *Proquartio*, and the like.

Aëriall Diuels are such as keepe quarter most part in the ayre, cause many tempests, thunder, and lightnings, teare Oakes, fire Steeples, Houses, strike Men and Beasts, make it raine stones, as in *Linies* time, *Wool*, *Frogges* &c. Counterfait armies in the Aire, as at *Vienna*, before the coming of the *Turkes*, and many times in *Rome*, as *Scheretzius lib. de spect. cap. 1 part. 1*, *Iulius Obsequus* an old Roman, in his booke of prodigies, *ab urb. cond. 505*. and *Machiavell* hath illustrated by many examples. They cause whirle winds of a sudden, and tempestuous stormes, as when a desperate man makes away himselfe, which by hanging or drowning they frequently do, as *Kornmannus* obserues, *de mirac. mort. part. 7. cap. 76*, *tripudium agentes*, dancing and reioycing at the death of a sinner. These can corrupt the Aire, and cause plagues, sicknesse, stormes, shipwracks, fires, inundations. At *Mons Draconis* in Italy, there is a most memorable example in *Iovianus Pontanus*. And nothing so familiar (if we may beleue those relations of *Saxo Grammat. Olaus Magn. Damian. A. Goes*) as for Witches and Sorcerers, in *Lapland*, *Lituania*, and all ouer *Scandia*, to sell winds to Mariners, & cause tēpests, which *Marcus Paulus* the Venetian relates likewise of the *Tartars*. These kindes of Diuels are much delighted in Sacrifice (saith *Porphyry*) held all the World in in awe, and had seuerall names. Idols, Sacrifices in *Rome*, *Greece*, *Egypt*, and at this day tyrannize ouer, and deceiue those Ethnicks and Indians, being adored & worshipped for Gods. For the Gentiles gods were diuels (as *Trismegistus* confesseth in his *Asclepius*) and he himselfe could make them come to their Images, by Magicke spells: And are now as much respected by our Papiests (saith *Pictorius*) vnder the name of Saints. These are they which *Cardan* thinks, desire so much carnall copulation with witches, *Incubi* and *Succubi*, transforme bodies, and are so very cold, that serue Magicians. His father had one of them (as he is not ashamed to relate) an aëriall Diuell, bound to him for twenty and eight yeares. As *Agrippa's* dog had a diuell ryed to his collier; some thinke that *Paracelsus* (or els *Erastus* belies him) had one confined to his sword pummell: others weare them in rings &c. *Iannes & Iambres* did many things of old by their helpe: *Simon Magus*, *Cinops*, and *Tritemius* of late, that shewed *Maximilian* the Emperor his wife, after she was dead, & *verrucā in collo eius*, (saith *Godelman*) so much as the wart in her necke. *Delrio lib. 2*, hath many examples of their feats: And *Cicogna lib. 3. cap. 3*. *Wierus* in his booke *de praestig. demonum* &c.

Water diuels, are those *Naiades* or water Nymphes, which haue beene heretofore conversant about Waters and Riuers. The water (as *Paracelsus* thinks) is their Chaos, wherein they liue: some call them *Fairies*, & say that *Habundia* is their Queene; these cause Inundations, many times shipwracks, and deceiue men seuerall wayes, as *Succuba*, or otherwise. *Paracelsus* hath seuerall stories of them, that haue liued and beene married to mortall men, and so continued for certaine yeares with them, & after, vpon some dislike, haue forsaken them. Such a one was *Egeria*, with whom *Nama* was so familiar, *Diana*, *Ceres* &c. *Olaus Magnus* hath a long narration of one *Hotherus* a

a Domos dirunt, muros deiciunt, immiscunt se turbibus & procellis, & puluerem instar columnae evehunt. Cicogna l. 3. c. 5.

b Quæst. in Lix.

c De bello Neapolitano lib. 5. Suffutibus gaudent. Idem. iust. Mart. Acol. pro Christianis.

e In Dei imitatione m. saith Eusebius.

f Dy gentium Daemonia &c. ego in eorum statuas pellexi.

g Et nunc sub diuorum nomine coluntur à iustis.

h Lib. 18. de reorum var.

i Lib. 3. cap. 3. de magis & neficis, &c. Nereides.

j Lib. de Zilphis

k Lib. 3.

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King of Sweden, that having lost his company, as hee was hunting one day, met with these water Nymphes or Fayties, and was feasted by them. And Hector Boethius, of Mackbeth, and Banco, two Scottish Lords, that as they were wandering in the Woods, were told their Fortunes by three strange Women. To these heretofore they did use to sacrifice, by that *disposuaria*, or divination by Waters.

Terrestriall Divels, are those *Lares, Genij, Faunes, Satyrs*, wood-nymphs, *Foliots, Fairies, Robin good fellowes, Trulli &c.* Which as they are most conversant with men, so they doe them most harme. Some thinke it was they alone that kept the Heathen people in awe of old, and had so many Idoles and Temples erected to them. Of this range was *Dagon* amongst the Philistines, *Bel* amongst the Babylonians, *Astartes* amongst the Sydonians, *Baal* amongst the Samaritans, *Isis* and *Osiris* amongst the Egyptians &c. Some put our Fairies into this ranke, which have beene in former times adored with much superstition, with sweeping their houses, and setting of a payle of cleane water, good victuals and the like, & then they should not be pinched, but finde money in their shooes and be fortunate in their enterprises. These are they that dance on heaths and greenes, as *Lavater* thinks; and as *Olaus Magnus* addes, leave that Greene circle, which wee commonly finde in plaine fields, (which others hold to proceede from a Meteor falling, or some accidentall ranknesse of the ground, so Nature sports her selfe: they are sometimes seene by old women and children. *Hieron. Pauli*, in his description of the City of *Bercino* in *Spain*, relates how they have beene familiarly seene neere that towne, about fountaines and hills. *Paracelsus* reckons vp many places in *Germany*, where they doe usually walke in little coates, some two foot long. A bigger kind there is of them, called with vs *Hobgoblins*, and *Robin Good fellowes*, that would in those superstitious times, grinde corne for a messe of milke, cut wood, or doe any manner of drudgery worke. They would mend old Irons in those *Eolian* Iles of *Lypara*, in former times, and have beene often seene and heard. *Tholofanus* calls them *Trullos* and *Getulos*, and saith, that in his dayes they were common in many places of *France*. *Dithmarus Blaskinius* in his description of *Island*, reports for a certainty, that almost in every family they have some such familiar spirits. And *Felix Malleolus* in his book *de crudel. demon.* affirms as much, that these *Trolls* or *Telehines*, are very common in *Norway*, and *seene to doe drudgery worke*. To draw water, saith *Vierus*, lib. 1. cap. 22, dresse meat, or any such thing. Another kinde of these there are, which frequent forlorne houses, which the Italians call *Foliots*, most part innoxious, *Cardan* holdes: They will make strange noises in the night, howle sometimes pittifully, and then laugh againe, cause great flame and sudden lights, sling stones, rattle chaines, shauie men, open doores, and shut them, sling downe plasters, scoles, chests, sometime appeare in the likenesse of Hares, Crows, blacke Dogges &c. of which reade *Sigismundus Scherzer* lib. de spectris, parte 1. cap. 1. which he saith, he tooke out of *Luther*, most part, there be many instances. *Plin.* Secunda remembers such a house at *Athen*, which *Athenodorus* the Philosopher hired, which no man durst inhabit for feare of Divels. Whether I may call these *Zim* and *Obim*, which *Isay* cap. 13. 27. speaks of, I make no doubt: see more of these in the said *Scherzer* lib. 1. de spect. cap. 4. he is full of examples. These kinde of Divels many times appeare

¹ Pro salute hominum exuberare se simulant, sed in eorum perniciem omnia moluntur. ² Ornydes, Ornyades, ³ Plin. lib. 3. ⁴ E' was Olaus ⁵ was lib. 3. ⁶ Part. 1. c. 19. ⁷ Lib. 3. cap. 11. ⁸ Elvorum chorae Olaus lib. 3. ⁹ vocat. salu aded profundu in terris impetunt, ut locus insignis deinceps vixit orbicularis sit, & gra-men non perdat. ¹⁰ Lib. de Z'iph. & Pigmis. ¹¹ Olaus lib. 3. ¹² Lib. 7. cap. 14. ¹³ qui & in familiaria uis & familiaria in eum uincit, concubinae scopis purgant, patinas inuadunt, lepa portant, equos curant, &c. ¹⁴ Admifforia utuntur. ¹⁵ Where treasure is hid (as some thinke) or some murder, or such like villany committed. ¹⁶ Lib. 6. de rerum varietat. ¹⁷ Quidam leuures domesticis instrumentis noctu ludunt: patinas, ollas, cantheras, & alia vasa deiciunt, & quaedam voces emittunt, cuiusdam risum emittunt, &c. ut canes nigri, feles, varijs formis &c. ¹⁸ Epist. lib. 7.

appeare to men, and affright them out of their wits, sometimes walking at noone day, sometimes at nights, counterfeiting dead mens Ghosts, as that of *Caligula*, which (saith *Suetonius*) was seene to walke in *Lavinia's* garden, where his body was buried, spirits haunted, and the house where hee died, * *nulla nox sine terrore transacta, donec incendio consumpta*; euery night this happened, there was no quietnesse, till the house was burned. About *Hecla* in *Island*, ghosts commonly walke, *animas mortuorum simulantes*, saith *Ioh. Anan. lib. 3. de nat. dem.* *Olaus lib. 2. cap. 2. natal. Tallopid. lib. de apparit. spir.* *Kornmann^o de mirac. mort. parte 1. cap. 44.* such sights are frequently seene circa sepulchra & Monasteria, saith *Lavat. lib. 1. cap. 19.* in Monasteries and about Churchyards: and foretell mens deaths, by seuerall signes, as knocking, groanings, &c. † *Neare rupes nova* in *Finland*, in the Kingdome of *Sweden*, there is a Lake, in which, before the Gouvernour of the Castle dyes, a spectrum in the habite of *Arion* with his Harpe appeares, and makes excellent musicke, (like those blocks in *Cheshire*, which (they say) presage death to the Master of the family: or that * *Oke* in *Lanhadran Parke* in *Cornwall*, which fore shoves as much. Many families in *Europe*, are so put in mind of their last, by such predictions, and many men are fore warned (if wee may beleue *Paracelsus*) by familiar spirits, in diuers shapes, as cockes, crowes, Owles, which often hover about sicke mens chambers, *vel quia morientium feditatem sentiunt*, as † *Baraceli^o* coniectures, & ideo super tectum infirmorum crocitant, because they smell a corse; or for that (as *Bernardinus de Bustis* thinketh) God permits the Diue'l to appeare in the forme of Crowes, and such like creatures, to scarre such as liue wickedly heere on earth. A little before *Tullies* death (saith *Plutarch*) the Crowes made a mighty noyse about him, *tumultuose perstreptentes*, they pulled the pillow from vnder his head. Such prodigies are very frequent in Authors. See more of these in the said *Lavater. Thyreus de locis infectis, part. 3. cap. 58.* *Pictorius, Delrio, Cicogna, lib. 3. cap. 9.* Negromancers take vpon them, to raise and lay them at their pleasures. And so likewise those which *Mizaldus* calls *Ambulones*, that walke about midnight on great Heaths and desert places, which (saith * *Lavater*) draw men out of the way, and leade them all night a by way, or quite barre them of their way: these haue seuerall names in seuerall places; we commonly call them *Pucks*. In the desarts of *Lop* in *Asia*, such illusions of walking spirits are often perceiued; as you may reade in *M. Paulus* the *Venetian* his trauels. If one loose his company by chance, these Diuels will eal him by his name, & counterfeit voyces of his companions to seduce him. *Hieron. Pauli* in his book of the hils of *Spaine*, relates of a great y mount in *Cantabria*, where such spectrums are to be seen. *Lavat. & Cicogna* haue variety of examples, of spirits, and walking Diuels in this kinde.

Subterranean Diuels are as common as the rest, and doe as much harme. *Olaus Magnus, lib. 6. cap. 19.* makes six kinds of them, some bigger, some lesse. These (saith * *Munster*) are commonly seene about mines of mettals, and are some of them noxious, some againe doe no harme. The mettall-men in some places account it good lucke, a signe of treasure, and rich Ore when they see them. *Georgius Agricola*, in his book de subterraneis animantibus, c. 37, reckons vp two more notable kinds of them, which he calls * *Getuli* & *Cobali*, which are clothed after the manner of mettall-men, & will many times imitate their workes. Their office, as *Pictorius* and *Paracelsus* thinke, is to keepe

treasure

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* Meridionales
Dæmones Cicogna
na calls them,
or Alastores l. 3.
c. 9.

* Sueton. cap. 69
in Caligula,

† Strozius Ci-
cogna lib. 3.
mag. cap. 5.

* Mr Cary Sur-
vey of Cornw.
lib. 2. fol. 140.

* Horto Gene-
ali. fol. 137.

* Part 1. c. 19.
Abducunt eos a
recta via, &
viam iter faci-
entibus inter-
cludunt.

* Lib. 1. cap. 44.
Dæmonum cer-
nuntur & au-
diantur ibi fre-
quentes illuso-
nes, unde viato-
ribus cavendum
ne se disscient,
aut a tergo ma-
neant, voces e-
nim fingunt so-
ciorum, ut a re-
cto itinere ab-
ducant &c.

* Mons sterilis
& nivosus, ubi
intempestiua no-
cte umbra ap-
parent.

* In Cosmogr.
Vestiti more
metallorum,
gestus & opera-
corum imitan-
tur.

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^b Immissio in
terre carceres
vento horribiles
terremotus effi-
ciunt, quibus se-
pe non domus
modo, & turres,
sed civitates in-
tegre, & insule
hauſe sunt.

Their offices,
operations,
study.

^c Lactantius 2.
de origine erro-
ris cap. 25. hi
maligni spiritus
per omnem ter-
ram vagantur,
& solatium per-
ditionis sue per-
dendis homini-
bus operantur.

^d Mortalium
calamitates epu-
le sunt malorum
demonum. Sy-
neſius.

^e Dominus men-
daciū à seipſo de-
ceptus alios de-
cipere cupit, ad-
versarius huma-
ni generis, In-
ventor mortis,
superbie institu-
tor, radix mali-
tie, scelerum ca-
put, princeps om-
nium vitiatorum,
fuit inde in dei
contumeliam,
hominum perni-
tiam, de horum
conatibus & o-
perationibus lege
Epiphanius, 2.
Tom. lib. 2. Dio-
nyſius cap. 4.
Ambros. Epistol.
lib. 10. ep. 8. &
84. August. de
Civ. Dei lib. 5.
cap. 9. lib. 3. cap.
22. lib. 9. 18. lib.
10. 21. Theophil.
in 12. Mat. Ba-
sil. ep. 141. Leo-
nem Ser. 60.
Theodoret. in 11
Cor. Ep. 2. Ebrif.

hom. 53. in 12. Genes. Greg. in 1. Cap. Ioh. Barthol. de prop. 1. 2. c. 20. Zanchium lib. 4. de malis angelis. Perer. in Gen. lib. 3. in cap. 6. 2. Ori-
gen. sepe preliis interſunt, itinera & negotia nostra quacunq; dirigit cladeſtiniſ ſubſidiis optatos ſepe præbent ſucceſſus, Pet. Mart. in
ſam. &c. ^f Et velut mancipia circumſert, Pſellus. ^g Lib. de tranſmut. Malac. epif. ^{*} Cuſtodes ſunt hominum & eorum ut nos
animalium, tum & pronuncij præpoſiti regunt auguria, ſomnia, oracula panis, & præmijs, &c. [†] Omnis mag. lib. 2. cap. 23.

treasure in the earth, that it be not all at once revealed: and besides, ^b Cicogna averres, that they are the cause many times of horrible Earthquakes, which swallow up sometimes not onely houses, but whole Islands and Citties: in his 3. book cap. 11, he giues many instances.

Thus the Diuell raignes, and in a thousand ſeverall ſhapes, As a roaring Lion ſtill ſeekes whom he may deuoure, 1. Pet. 5. by Earth, Sea, Land, Ayre, as yet vnconfined, he rageth while he may to comfort himſelfe, as ^c Lactantius thinkes, with other mens falls, hee labours all he can to bring them into the ſame pit of perdition with him. For ^d mens miſeries, calamities and ruines, are the diuells banqueting diſhes. By many temptations and ſeverall engines, hee ſeekes to captiuate our ſoules. The Lord of lyes, ſaith ^e Auſtin, as he was de- ceived himſelfe, he ſeekes to deceive others, the ringleader to all naughtineſſe, as he did by Eue and Cain, Sodome, and Gomorrah, ſo would hee doe by all the world. Sometimes he tempts by couctouſneſſe, drunkenneſſe, pleaſure, pride, &c. He ſtudies our ouerthrowe, and ſeekes our deſtruction. And al- though he pretend many times humane good, and venditate himſelfe for a God, by curing of ſeverall diſeaſes, *agris ſanitatē, & cæcis luminis uſum re- ſtituendo*, as Auſtin declares, lib. 10. de Civ. Dei cap. 6. as Apollo, *Æſculapius, Iſis* of old haue done, diuert plagues, and aſſiſt them in wars, portend our good, yet *nihil his inpurius, ſceleſtius, nihil humano generi infeſtius*, nothing ſo im- pure, nothing ſo pernitiouſ, as may well appeare by their tyrannicall, and bloody ſacrifices of men to *Moloch*, which are ſtill in uſe amongſt thoſe Barbarous *Indians*, their ſeverall deceits and couſenings to keepe men in o- bedience, their falſe oracles, ſacrifices, their ſuperſtitious impositions of faſts, penury, &c. heresies, ſuperſtitions, obſeruations of meats, times, &c. by which they ^f crucify the ſoules of mortall men, as ſhall bee ſhewed in our Treatiſe of Religious Melancholy. *Modico adhuc tempore ſinitur malignari*, as ^g Bernard expreſſeth it, by Gods permiſſion he rages a while, here- after to be confined to Hell and darkneſſe, which is prepared for him and his Angells, Mat. 25.

How farre their power doth extend, it is hard to determine, what the Ancients held of their effects, power and operations, I will briefly ſhewe you: Plato in *Critias*, and after him his followers, gaue out that theſe diuels, were mens gouernours and keepers, our Lords and Maſters as we are of our cattle: ^{*} They gouerne Prouinces and Kingdomes by oracles, auguries, dreames, rewards, and puniſhments, ſend warres, plagues, peace, ſickeſſe, health, &c: as ap- peares by thoſe hiſtories of *Thucydides, Liuius, Dionyſius Halicarnaffeus*, with many others, that are full of their ſtratagems, and were therefore by thoſe Roman and Greeke commonwealths adored and worſhipped for Gods, with prayers and ſacrifices, &c: *Tritemius* in his booke de ſeptem ſecundis, aſſignes names to ſuch Angells, as are gouernours of particular Prouinces, by what authority I knowe not, and giues them ſeverall iuriſdictions. *Aſclepiades* a Grecian, Rabbi *Achiba* the Jew, *Abraham Auenexra*, and Rabbi *Azariell* Ara- bians, as I finde them cited by [†] Cicogna farther adde, that they are not our

gouernours

gouernours only, *sed ex eorum concordia & discordia, boni & mali effectus promanant*, as they agree, so doe we and our Princes, or disagree; Religion, policy, publike and priuate quarrells depend on them, our *benè* and *malè esse*, &c. almost all our other actions, preferments, losses, weddings, deaths, &c. as these *boni* and *mali Genij* fauour or dislike vs: *Saturnini non conueniunt Iouialibus*, &c. he that is *Saturninus*, shall neuer likely be preferred. * That base fellows are often aduanced, vnderferuing *Gnatoes*, & vicious parasites, when as discreet, wise, vertuous, and worthy men are neglected and vnrewarded; they referre to these domineering spirits, or *Genij*, as they are inclined, or fauour men, so they thrive. All particular euent almost, they referre to these spirits: and (as *Paracelsus* addes) they direct, teach, and instruct men: Neuer was any man extraordinary famous in any Art, or great Commander, that had not *familiarè demonem* to informe him, as *Numa*, *Socrates*, and many such. But these are most erroneous paradoxes, *ineptæ & fabulose nugæ*, reiected by our Diuines, and Christian Churches. 'Tis true, they haue, by Gods permission, power ouer vs, and we finde by experience, that they can hurt not our fields only, cattell, goods, but our bodies and mindes. At *Hammel* in *Saxony*, An. 1484. 20. Iunij, The diuell in likenesse of a pied piper, carried away 130 children, that were neuer after seene. Many times men are affrighted out of their wits, carried away quite, as *Sheretzius* illustrates, lib. 1. cap. 4. and seuerally molested by his meanes. *Plotinus* the *Platonist*, lib. 1. 4. aduers. *Gnost.* laughes them to scorn, that hold the diuell can cause any such diseases. Many thinke he can worke vpon the body, but not vpon the mind. But experience pronounceth otherwise, that he can worke both vpon body and minde. *Tertullian* is of this opinion, cap. 22. ^k that hee can cause both sickness and health, and that secretly. ^l *Tanretius* addes, by clancular poysons he can infect the bodies, and hinder the operations of the bowels, though we perceauè it not, closely excreping into them, saith ^m *Lipsius*, and so crucifie our soules. For being a spirituall body, he struggles with our spirits, saith *Rogers*, and suggests (according to *Cardan*, *verba sine voce, species sine visu*, envy, lust, anger, &c.) as he sees men inclined.

The manner how he performes it, *Biarmannus* in his Oration against *Bodine* sufficiently declares, He ^o begins first with the phantasie, and moues that so strongly, that no reason is able to resist. Now the Phantasie hee moues by mediation of humours: Although many Physitians are of opinion, that the diuell can alter the minde, and produce this disease of himselfe. *Quibusdam medicorum visum*, saith *P. Avicenna*, quod *Melancholia contingat à demonio*. Of the same minde is *Psellus*, and *Rhasis* the *Arab* lib. 1. Tract. 9. Cont. 9 That this disease proceeds especially from the Diuell, and from him alone. And *Aculanus* cap. 6. in 9. *Rhasis*, *Alianus Montaltus* in his 9 cap. confirms as much, that the diuell can cause this disease; by reason many times that the parties affected prophecy, speake strange language, but *non sine interuentu humoris*, not without the humour, as he interprets himselfe: no more doth *Avicenna*, si contingat à demonio, sufficit nobis ut conuertat complexionem ad choleram nigram, &c.

^m Irrepentes corporibus occultè morbos fingunt, mentes terrent, membra dislorquent. Lips Phil. Stoic. lib. 1. c. 19. ⁿ De rerum var. l. 1. c. 6. 6. 93. ^o Quum mens immediate decipi nequit, primum mouet phantasiam, & ita obfirmat vanis concepitibus ut ne quem facultati estimaturatione locum relinquat. Spiritus malus invadit animam, turbat sensus, in furorem concitat. Austin, de ver. Beat. l. 3. Fern. 1. Tract. 4. cap. 18. ^p A Demone maxime proficisci, & sepe solo.

* Quoties fit ut principes novum aulicum dunt is & dignitatibus pene obruant, & multorum annorum ministerium, quod non semel pro hero periculum subit, ne terminatio darent. &c. Idem. Quod Philosophi non remunerentur, cum scurræ & ineptus ob insulsum iocum sepe premium reportet, inde fit &c.

^k Godelmannus cap. 3. lib. 1. de Magis. Idem Zanchius lib. 4. cap. 10. & 11. de malis angelis. ^l Noctua Melancholia furiosus efficiant, & quando q. penitus interficiunt. ^m Pico omnino Idem, Zanchius cap. 10. lib. 4. si Deus permittat, corpora nostra movere possunt, aliterare, quous morborum & malorum genere officere, & in ipsa penetrare & vivere.

ⁿ Inducere potest morbos & sanitates.

^o Viscerum actiones potest inhibere latenter, & venenis nobis ignotis corpus inficere.

^p Lib. 3. Fern.

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* Cap. de mania
lib. de morbis
Cerebri. Demo-
nes, quum sint
tenues & incor-
prehenfibiles spi-
ritus, se insinua-
re corporibus
humanis possunt,
& occulte in
visceribus operti
valetudinem vi-
tiare, somnis a-
nimas tertere
& mentes furo-
ribus quaterere.
Insinuant se me-
lancholicorum
penetrabilibus in-
tus ibiq; consi-
dunt & deliti-
antur, tanquam
in regione clavis-
sinorum siderum,
coguntq; animi
furere.

* Lib. 1. cap. 6.
occult. Philos.

* Part. 1. cap. 1.
de Spectris.

* Sine cruce &
sanctificatione
sic à demone
obsessa. dial.
Greg. pap. cap. 9.

sit causa eius propinqua cholera nigra, the immediate cause is choler adust: and therevpon belike this humor of Melancholy, is called *Balneum Diaboli*, the diuells bath: the diuell spying his opportunity of such humours, driues them many times to despaire, fury, rage, &c. mingling himselfe amongst those humors. And this is that which *Lemnius* goes about to proue, *Immiscens se mali genij prauis humoribus atq; atra bili, &c.* And *Jason Pratensis*, that the Diuell being a slender incomprehensible spirit, can easily insinuate and winde himselfe into humane bodies, and cunningly couched in our bowels, vitiate our healths, terrise our soules with fearefull dreames, and shake our minde with furies. And in another place. *These vncleane spirits settled in our bodies, and now mixt with our melancholy humours, doe triumph, as it were, and sport themselves as in another heauen.* Thus he argues, and that they goe in and out of our bodies, as Bees doe in a Hiue, and so prouoke and tempt vs as they perceauce our tempera- ture inclined of it selfe, and most apt to be deluded. *Agrippa* and *Lauater* are perswaded that this humour invites the Diuell to it, wherefoeuer it is in extremity, and of all other, melancholy persons are most subiect to diabolical temptations, and illusions, and most apt to entertaine them, and the Diuell best able to worke vpon them. But whether by obsession, or possession, or otherwise, I will not determine, 'tis a difficult question. *Delrio* the Jesuit, *Tom. 3. lib. 6.* *Springer* and his Colleague *mall. malef. P. Thyreus. Hieronimus Mengus Flagel. dem.* & others of that rancke of pontifical writers, it seemes, by their exorcismes and coniurations approue of it, hauing forged many stories to that purpose. A Nunne did eat a lettice *without grace, or signing it with the signe of the crosse*, and was instantly possessed, *Durand. lib. 6. Rational. cap. 86. num. 8.* relates that hee saw a wench possessed in *Bononia* with two Diuells, by eating an vnhalloved Pomegranet, as shee did afterwards confesse, when she was cured by exorcismes. And therefore our Papists doe signe themselves so often with the signe of the Crosse, *ne demon ingredi auit*, and exorcise all manner of meats, as being vncleane or accursed otherwise, as *Bellarmino* defends. Many such stories I finde amongst Pontifical writers, to proue their assertions, let them free their owne credits: some few I will recite in this kinde out of most approued Physitians. *Cornelius Gemma lib. 2. de nat. mirac. cap. 4.* relates of a young maid, called *Katherine Gualter* a *Coupers* daughter, *Ao 1571.* that had such strange passions and convulsions, that three men could not sometimes hold her: shee purged a liue Eele, which he saw a foot and a halfe long, and touched himselfe: but the Eele afterward vanished, she vomited after some 24 pounds of black stufte of all colours, twice a day for foureteene daies: and after that, she vomited great bals of haire, peeces of wood, pigeons dung, parchment, Goose dung, coles; and after them two pound of pure blood, and then againe coles, and stones, of which some had inscriptions, bigger then a walnut, some of them peeces of glasse, brasse, &c. Besides strange paroxismes of laughing, weeping, and extacies, &c. *Et hoc (inquit) cum horrere vidi*, this I saw with horror. They could doe no good on her by physicke, but left her to the Clergy. *Marcellus Donatus lib. 2. cap. 1. de med. mirab.* hath such another story of a country fellow, that had foure kniues in his belly, *Instar serra dentatos*, indented like a saw, euery one a spanne long, and a wreath of haire like a globe, with much baggage of like sort, wonderfull to behold. How it should come into his guts, hee concludes,

cludes, *Certe non alio quam demonis astutia & dolo.* Langius epist. med. lib. 1: 47
 epist. 38: hath many relations to this effect, and so hath *Christophorus à Vega:*
Wierus, Skenkius, Scribanus, all conclude that they are done by the subtilty &
 illusion of the Diuell. If you shall aske a reason of all this, 'tis to try vs & our
 faith, 'tis for our offences, and for the punishment of our sinnes, by Gods per-
 mission they doe it, *Carnifices vindicta iuste Dei,* as *Tolosanus* styles them,
 Executioners of his will: or rather as *David, Psal. 78. ver. 49. Hee cast vpon*
them the fiercenesse of his anger, indignation, wrath, and vexation, by sending out
of euill angells: So did he afflict *Iob, Saul,* the lunatickes and dæmoniacall per-
 sons whom *Christ* cured, *Mat. 4. 8. Luc. 4. 11. Luc. 13. Marc. 9. Tabit. 8. 3. & 6.*
 This, I say happeneth for a punishment of sinne, for their want of faith, in-
 credulity, weaknesse, distrust, &c.

^a Lib. 2. cap. 26. Tom. 2.

SVBSEC. 3.

Of Witches and Magitians how they cause Melancholy.

YOU haue heard what the Diuell can doe of himselfe, now you shall
 heare what he can performe by his instruments, who are many times
 worse (if it be possible) then he himselfe, and to satisfie their reuenge
 and lust, cause more mischief, *multa enim mala non egisset demon, nisi prouo-*
catus à sagis, as *Erastus* thinks; much harme had neuer beene done, had hee
 not beene prouoked by Witches to it; Hee had not appeared in *Samuels*
 shape, if the Witch of *Endor* had let him alone; or represented those serpents
 in *Pharao's* presence, had not the Magitians vrged him vnto it: *nec morbos vel*
hominibus, vel brutis infligeret (*Erastus* maintaines) *se saga quiescerent;* men &
 cattle might goe free, if these Witches would let him alone. Many deny
 Witches at all, or if there be any, they can doe no harme: of this opinion is
Wierus, lib. 3. cap. 53. de præstig. dam. *Austin Lerchemer* a Dutch writer, *Biar-*
manus, Ewichius, Euwaldus: our countryman *Scot:* but on the contrary are
 most Lawyers, Diuines, Physitians, Philosophers, *Austin, Hemingius, Dana-*
us, Chytræus, Zanchius, Aretius, &c. Delrio, Springer, Cuiatius, Bartolus, consil. 6.
To. 1. Bodine demomant. lib. 2. cap. 8. Godelman, Damhoderius, &c. Paracelsus, Era-
stus, Scribanus, Camerarius, &c. The parties by whom the Diuel deales, may
 be reduced to these two, such as cōmand him in shew at least, as Coniurers,
 or such as are cōmanded, as witches that deale *ex parte implicite,* or *explicitè,*
 as the *King* hath well defined; Many subdiuisions there are, & many seue-
 rall Species of Sorcerers, Witches, Inchanters, Charmers, &c. They haue
 beene tolerated heretofore some of them; and Magicke hath beene publike-
 ly professed in former times, in *Salamanca,* and some other places, though
 after censured by seuerall *Vniuersities,* and now generally contradicted.
 That which they can doe, is as much almost as the Diuell himselfe, who is
 still ready to satisfie their desires, to oblige them the more vnto him. They
 can cause tempests, stormes, which is familiarly practised by Witches in
Norway, Island, as I haue proued. They can make friends enimies, & enimies
 friends, by philters, *turpes amores conciliare,* enforce lone, tel any man where
 his friends are, about what employed, though in the most remote places.
 And if they will, *bring their sweet hearts to them by night, vpon a Goats backe*

^a De Lamiis.

^y Rex Iacobus
 Demanol. l. 1. c. 3.

^a An Vniuer-
 sity in Spaine
 in old Castile.
² Oxford and
 Paris, see finc.
 P. Lombardi.

^b Erastus.
[†] Ministerio
 hirci nocturni
 per asra volantia

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† Steriles nuptos
& inhabiles.* Infantes ma-
tribus suffuran-
tur, alius supposi-
titi in locum
verorum conie-
tis.

c Milles.

d D. Luther. in
primum precep-
tum, & Leon.
Varus lib. x. de
Fascino.

e Lauat. Cicog.

f Erasius.

g Adolphus

Scribanius.

h Virg. Aeneid.

i Incantatricem
describens:

Hec se carmini-

bus promittit

solvere montes:

Quas velit, ast

aluis duras im-

mittere curas

h Goßmannus

cap. 7 lib. x. nu-

tricum mammas

presicant, solo

tactu pedagram,

Apoplexiam,

Paralyfin, & ali-

os morbos quos

medicina curare

non poterat.

i Factus inde

Marciacus, spic.

2. fol. 147.

k Omnia Philura

etsi inter se dif-

ferant, hoc ha-

bent commune,

quod hominem

efficiant melan-

cholicum epist.

231. Scolzi.

flyng in the ayre. Sigismund Scheretzius, part. 1. cap. 9. de spect. reports confi-
dently, that he conferred with sundry such, that had beene so carried many
miles, and that he heard Witches themselves confesse as much: hurt and in-
fect men and beasts, vines, corne, cattle, plants, make women abortiue, not to
conceauē, barren, men and women vnapt and vnable, married and vnmarri-
ed, so seuerall wayes, saith Bodine: flie in the ayre, meet when & where they
will, as Cicogna proues, and Lauat. de spect. part. 2. cap. 17. steale young children
out of their cradles, ministerio dæmonum, & put other deformed in their roomes,
which we call Changelings, saith * Scheretzius, part. 1. cap. 6. make men victori-
ous, fortunate, eloquent. And therefore in those ancient Monomachies &
combats, they were searched of old, they had no Magicall charmes; they
can make d stick free's, such as shall endure a rapier's point, or musket shot,
and neuer be wounded, e represent dead mens shapes, alter and turne them-
selves & others into seuerall formes, at their pleasures: Last of all, cure
and cause most diseases, to such as they hate, & this of s Melancholy amongst
the rest. Paracelsus To. 4. de morbis amentium, Tract. 1. in expresse words af-
firms, Multi fascinantur in melancholiam, many are bewitched into Melan-
choly, out of his experience. The same, saith Daneus l. 3. de sortarijs. Vidi, in-
quit, qui melancholicos morbos grauissimos induxerunt: I haue seene those that
haue caused Melancholy in the most grievous manner, b dried up womens
pappes, cured gout, palsie, this, and Apoplexie, Falling Sicknesse, which no Phy-
sicke could helpe, solo tactu, by touch alone. Ruland in his 3. Cent. Cura. 91. gives
an instance of one David Helde a young man, who by eating cakes which a
Witch gaue him, mox delirare cepit; began to dore on a suddain, & was made:
F. H. D. in i Hildesheim, consulted about a Melancholy man, thought his dis-
ease was partly Magicall, and partly naturall, because hee vomited peeces of
iron and leade, and spake such Languages as he had neuer beene taught: but
such examples are common in Scribanius, Herc. de Saxon: and others. The
meanes by which they work, are vsually Charmes, Images, as that in Hector
Boethius of King Duffe: characters stamped of sundry mettals, and at such and
such constellations, knots, amulets, words, Philters, &c. which generally
make the parties affected, melancholy; as k Monanius discourseth at large in
an Epistle of his to Acollisius, giuing instance in a Bohemian Baron that was
so troubled, by a Philter taken. Not that there is any power at all in
such spells, charmes, characters, and barbarous words: but that the Diuell
doth vse such meanes to delude them.

SVBSEC. 4.

Starres a cause. Signes from Physiognomy, Mete-
poscopy, Chiromancy.

N Aturall causes, are either Primary and Vniuersall, or Secondary, and
more Particular. Primary causes are the Heauens, Planets, Starres,
&c. by their influence (as our Astrologers hold) producing this &
such like effects. I will not heere stand to discusse obiter, whether Starres be
causes, or Signes; or to apologize for Iudiciall Astrology. If either Sextus
Empiricus, Picus Mirandula, Sextus ab Heminga, Pererius, Erasius, Chambers,

Etc.

&c. haue so farre prevailed with any man, that he will attribute no vertue at all to the Heauens, or to Sunne and Moone, more then hee doth to their signes, at an In-keepers post, or Tradesmans shop, or generally condemne all such Astrologicall Aphorismes, approued by experience: I referre him to *Bellantius, Pirovanus, Maraschallus, Goclenius, S^r Christopher Heydon* &c. If thou shalt aske me what I thinke, I must answer, they doe incline, but not compell; no necessity at all: ^m *Agunt, non cogunt*: and so gently incline, that a wise man may resist them; *sapiens dominabitur astris*: they rule vs, but God rules them. All this (me thinks) ⁿ *Ioh. de Indagine* hath comprised in brieffe *Quæris à me quantum in nobis operantur astra?* &c. wilt thou know how farre the Starres worke vpon vs? I say, they doe but incline, and that so gently, that if we will be ruled by reason, they haue no power ouer vs; but if wee follow our owne nature, and be led by sense, they doe as much in vs, as in brute beasts, and wee are no better. So that, I hope, I may iustly conclude with ^o *Caietan*, that *Cælum* is *vehiculum diuine virtutis* &c. that the Heauen is Gods Instrument, by mediation of which, he gouernes & disposeth these elementary bodies; or a great booke, whose letters are the starres, (as one calls it) wherein are written many strange things for such as can reade, *P* or an excellent harpe, made by an eminent workeman, on which, he that can but play, will make most admirable musicke. But to the purpose.

⁹ *Paracelsus* is of opinion, that a Physitian, without the knowledge of starres, can neither vnderstand the cause or cure of any disease, either of this, or gout, no not so much as tooth-ache: Except he see the peculiar geniture and Scheme of the party affected. And for this proper malady, hee will haue the principall and primary cause of it proceede from the Heauen, ascribing more to Starres then humors, & that the constellation alone, many times, produceth melancholy, all other causes set apart. He giues instance in Linnatick persons, that are depraued of their wits by the Moones motion; and in another place, referres all to the Ascendent, and will haue the true & chiefe cause of it to be sought from the Starres. Neither is it his opinion only, but of many *Galenists* & Philosophers, though they not so stiffly and peremptorily maintaine as much. This variety of melancholy-symptomes, proceedes from the Starres, saith ^f *Melanethon*: The most generous melancholy, as that of *Augustus*, comes from the coniunction of *Saturne* and *Iupiter* in *Libra*: the bad, as that of *Catlines* from the meeting of *Saturne* and the *Moone* in *Scorpio*. *Iovianus Pontanus* in his 10. booke, and 13. Chap. *de rebus cælestibus*, discourseth to this purpose at large. *Ex atrâ bile varij generantur morbi* &c. many diseases proceed from black choler, as it shall be hote or cold: and though it bee cold in its owne nature, yet it is apt to be heated, as water may be made to boyle, and burne as bad as fire: or made cold as Ice: & thence proceed such variety of symptomes, some mad, some solitary, some laugh, some rage &c. The cause of all which intemperance, he will haue chiefly and primarily proceede from the Heauens, ^u from the position of *Mars*, *Saturne*, and *Mercury*. His Aphorismes be these: ^{*} *Mercury* in any geniture,

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^l Cum illo dicam, doctus hisce erroribus versatus sum.

^m Astra regunt homines, & regit astra Deus.

ⁿ Chiron. lib. 5.

Quæris à me quantum operantur astra: dico in nos nihil astra urgere, sed animos procliu-

es trahere; qui sic tamen liberi sunt, ut si ducem sequantur rationem nihil efficiant, sin vero naturam, id agere quod in brutis ferè.

^o Cælum vehiculum diuine virtutis, cuius mediante motu, lumine, & influentia, Deus elementaria corpora ordinat & disponit. Th. de Vio Caietanus in Psal. 104.

^p Mundus iste quasi slyra ab excellentissimo quodam artifice concinnata, quæ qui norit, mirabiles elicit harmonias. I. Dee Aphorismo 11.

^q Medicus si æ celi peritiâ nihil est &c. nisi generalis sciverit, ne tantillum poterit. Lib. de podagra.

^r Constellatio in causa est: & influentia celi morbum hunc

movet, interdum omnibus alijs amotis. Et alibi, Origo eius à celo petenda est. Tr. de morbis amentium. ^l Lib. de animâ cap. de humoribus. Ea varietas in Melancholia, habet celestes causas. S. A. & U. in m. S. J. & C. in m. ^r Ex atrâ bile varij generantur morbi, perinde ut in se multum calidi aut frigidi in se habuerit, quum utriusque (uscipiendo quam aptissima sit, tamen si suapte natura frigida sit. An non aqua sic afficitur à calore ut ardeat, & à frigore, ut in glaciem concreseat, & hæc varietas affectionum, alijs flens, vident &c. ^u Hanc ad intemperantiam gignendam plurimum confert J & A positus &c. ^{*} Quoties alicuius genitura in me & X adverso signo positus horoscopus partiliter tenuerit, atq; etiam à J vel A radio percussus fuerit, natus ab insaniâ vexabitur.

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¶ Qui & ♂
habet, alterum
in culmine, alte-
rum in celo,
cum in litem
venerit, melan-
cholicus erit, &
quā sanabitur, si
illos irradi-
rit.

¶ Hic configu-
ratione natus,
aut lunaticus,
aut mente cap-
tus.

¶ Ptolomeus
centiloquio, &
quadripartito
tribuit omnium
melancholicorum
symptomata sy-
derum influen-
tiis.

¶ Arte Medi-
cæ accedunt ab
his causis affe-
ctiones syderum.
Plurimum inci-
tant & provo-
cant influentie
cælestes. Velu-
riol. 4. cap. 15.

¶ Hildesheim
Episcopus. 2. de mel.

if he shall be found in Virgo or Pisces his opposite signe, and that in the Horoscope, irradiated by those quartile aspects of Saturne or Mars, the childe shall be mad or melancholy. Again, ¶ He that shall haue Saturne or Mars, the one culminating, the other in the 4. house, when he shall be borne, shall be melancholy, of which hee shall be cured in time, if Mercury behold them. ¶ If the Moone be in coniunction or opposition at the birth time, with the Sun, Saturne, or Mars, or in a quartile aspect with them, (i. e. malo cali loco, Leouitius addes) many diseases are signified, especially the Head and Braine is like to be misaffected with pernicious humors, to be melancholy, lunatick, or mad. Cardan addes, quartâ lunâ natos, Eclipses, Earthquakes. Garceus and Leouitius will haue the chiefe Iudgement to be taken from the Lord of the geniture, or when there is no aspect betwixt the Moon and Mercury, and neither behold the Horoscope: or Saturne and Mars shall be Lord of the precedent coniunction or opposition in Sagittary or Pisces, of the Sunne or Moone, such persons are commonly Epilepticke, dote, Dæmoniacall, Melancholy: but see more of these Aphorismes in the aboue-named Pontanus. Garceus cap. 23. de Iud. genitur. Schoner. lib. 1. cap. 8. which hee hath gathered out of a Ptolomy, Albubater, and some other Arabians, Iunctine, Ramzovius, Lindhout, Origan &c: but these men you will reiect peradventure, as Astrologers, and therefore partiall Iudges, Then heare the testimony of Physicians, Galenists themselves. ¶ Crato confesseth the influence of starres to haue a great hand in this Disease, so doth Iason Pratenfis, Lonicerus præfat. de Apoplexiâ, Ficinus, Fernelius &c. ¶ P. Cnemander acknowledgeth the starres an vniuersall cause, the particular from parents, from the vse of the six non-naturall things. Baptista Porta mag. lib. 1. cap. 10. 11. 15: will haue them causes to euery particular individuum. Instances and examples, to evince the truth of these Aphorismes, are common amongst those Astrologian Treatises: Cardan in his 37 geniture, giues instance in Math. Bolognius. Camerar. hor. natalit. centur. 7. genit. 6. & 7, of Daniel Gare, and others: but see Garceus cap. 33: Luc. Gauricus Tract. 6: de Azemenis, &c. The time of this Melancholy is, when the significators of any geniture are directed according to Art, as the Hor: moone, Hylech &c: to the hostile beames or termes of ♀ and ♂ especially, or any fixed starre of their nature, or if ♀ by his revolution, or trans-
tur, shall offend any of those radicall promissors in the geniture.

Other signes there are taken from Physiognomie, Metoposcopy, Chiromancy, which because Ioh. de Indagine, and Rotman, the Landgrau of Hæssa his Mathematician, not long since in his Chiromancy; Baptista Porta in his celestiall Physiognomy, haue proued to haue great affinity with Astrology; to satisfie the curious, I am the more willing to insert.

¶ Io. de Indag.
c. 9. Montaltus
c. 22.
¶ Caput parvū
qui habent, ce-
vebrum habent
& spiritus ple-
vung, angustos,
facile incidunt
in Melancholiā
rubicundi. Aeti-
us. Idem Mon-
altus cap. 21. &
Galeno.

The generall notions d Physiognomers giue, be these: Blacke colour, argues naturall melancholy: so doth leanness, hirsutenesse, broad veines, much haire on the browes, saith e Gratanolus cap. 7: and a little Head, out of Aristotle, high sanguine, red colour, argues head melancholy; they that stutter and are bald, will be soonest melancholy (as Avicenna supposeth) by reason of the drynesse of their braines: but hee that will know more of the severall signes of humors, and wits out of Physiognomy, let him consult with old Adamantus and Polemus, that comment, or rather paraphrase vpon Aristotles Physiognomy, Baptista Porta's foure pleasant bookes, Michael Scot de secretis nature, Iohn de Indagine, Montaltus, Antony Zara, anat. ingeniorum, sect. 1. membr. 13. & lib. 4.

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Chiromancy hath these Aphorismes to foretell melancholy. *Tasneir lib. 5. cap. 2.* who hath comprehended the summe of *Iohn de Indagine. Tricassus, Corvinus*, and others, in his book, thus hath it: ^f The Saturnine line going from the Rascetta through the hand, to Saturnes mount, and there intersected by certain little lines, argues melancholy: so if the Vitall and Naturall make an acute angle, Aphorisme 100. The Saturnine, Epaticke, and Naturall lines, making a grosse triangle in the hand, argue as much; which *Goclenius cap. 5.* Chiros: repeates verbatim out of him. Ingenerally they conclude all, that if Saturnes mount be full of many small lines and intersections, & such men are most part melancholy, miserable, and full of disquietnesse, care, and trouble, continually vexed with anxious and bitter thoughts, alway sorrowfull, fearefull, suspicious: they delight in husbandry, buildings, pooles, marshes, springs, woods, walkes &c. *Thaddæus Hagesius* in his *Metoposcopia*, hath certaine Aphorismes deriued from Saturnes lines in the fore-head, by which he collects a melancholy disposition: and ^h *Baptista Porta* makes obseruations from those other parts of the body, as if a spot be ouer the spleene; ⁱ or in the nailes, if it appeare blacke, it signifieth much care, grieve, contention, and melancholy: The reason he referres to the humours, and giues instance in himselfe, that for seuen yeares space, had such continuall blacke spots in his nailes, & all that while, was in perpetuall Law-sutes, controversies for his inheritance, feare, losse of honour, banishment, grieve, care &c. and when his miseries ended, the blacke spots vanished. *Cardan* in his booke *de libris proprijs*, tells such another story of his owne person, that a little before his sonnes death, he had a blacke spot, which appeared in one of his nailes, which dilated it selfe, as hee came neerer to his end. But I am ouer tedious in these toyes, which howsoeuer, in some mens too seuerer censures, they may be held absurd and ridiculous, I am the bolder to insert, as not borrowed from circumforanean Roagues and Gipsies, but out of the writings of worthy Philosophers, and Physitians, yet liuing some of them, and Region Professors in famous Vniuersities, who are able to patronize that which they haue said, and vindicate themselves from all cavillers and ignorant persons.

SVBSEC. 5.

Old age a cause.

Secondary, peculiar causes, efficient, so called, in respect of the other precedent, are either *congenita, interna, innata*, as they terme them, inward, innate, and inbred: or els outward and adventitious, which happen to vs after we are borne: congenite or borne with vs, are either naturall, as old age; or *præter naturam* (as ^b *Fernelius* calls it) that distemperature, which we haue from our Parents seede, it being an hereditary disease. The first of these which is naturall to all, and which no man liuing can auoide, is ^c olde age, which being cold and dry, and of the same quality as melancholy is, must needs cause it, by diminution of spirits and substance, and increasing of adust humors. Therefore ^d *Melancthon* averres out of *Aristotle*, as an vndoubted truth, *senes plerumq. delirasse in senectâ*, that old men familiarly dote, *ob atram bilem*, or blacke choler, which is then super-abundant in them. And

Rhasis

^f Saturnina à Rascetta per mediam manum decurrens, usq. ad radicem montis Saturni, à parvis lineis intersecta, arguit Melancholicos. Aphor. 78.

^g Agitantur miseris, continuis inquietudinis, neq. unquam à solitudine liberi sunt, anxie affliguntur amarissima intra cogitationibus semper tristes, suspitiosi, meticulosi: cogitationes sunt, velle agrum colere, stagna amant & paludes &c. ^h *Indagine lib. 1. cap. 14. lib. 5.* Idem, macule in unguibus nigre, lites, rixas, melancholiam significant, ab humore in corde tali.

^b Lib. 1. Part. cap. 11. ^c Venit enim properata malis imago senectus Et dolor ætatem iussit melle meâ. ^d Boethius met. 1. de consol. Philos. a Cap. de humoribus. lib. de animâ.

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^c Necessarium
accidens decre-
pitis & insep-
rabile.

[†] Psal. 90. 10.

[†] Mete. an Ba'g.
bi. lib. 1.

^g Sunt morosi,

anxi, & iracun-

di, & difficiles

senes, si queri-

mus etiam aua-

ri. Tull. de sene-

ctute.

^h Lib. 2. de Au-

lico. Senes au-

ri, morosi, iacti-

bundi, philanti,

deliri, supersti-

tiosi, suspitiosi,

&c.

ⁱ Lib. 3. de Li-

mys, cap. 17. &

18.

^k Solanum opiu

lupi adeps. lac a-

simi &c. lingua

infantum &c.

^l Corrupta est

is ab humore

Melancholico

phantasia. Ny-

marus.

^m Putant se le-

dere, quando non

ledunt.

[†] Qui hoc in

Imaginationis

vim referre co-

nati sunt, aut

atre bilis, ina-

nem prout la-

borem sulceperit

ⁿ Lib. 3. cap. 4.

omnis mag.

Rhasis that Arabian Physitian in his Cont. lib. 1. cap. 9. calls it ^c a necessary and inseparable accident, to all old and decrepit persons. After [†] 70 yeares (as the Psalmist saith) all is trouble and sorrow, and common experience confirms the truth of it, in all weake old persons, especially in such as haue liued in a-ction all their liues, and haue had great employment, much businesse, much command, and many seruants to ouer-see, & leaue off [†] abruptly: as [†] Charles the first did to King Philip, resigne vp all on a sudden: they are ouercome with melancholy in an instant. Or if they doe continue in such courses, they dote at last, (*senex his puer*) and are not able to manage their estates, through common infirmities incident to their age: full of ache, sorrow, and griefe, children againe, dizardes, the Carle many times as they sit, and talke to the- selues, they are angry, waspish, displeased with euery thing, *suspicious of all, wayward, couetous, hard* (saith Tully) *selfe willed, superstitious, selfe-conceited, braggers, and admirers of themselves*, as ^g Balthasar Castalia hath truely noted of them. This naturall infirmity is most eminent in old women, and such as are poore, solitary, liue in most base esteeme and beggery, or such as are witches; Inso much that *Wierus*, *Baptista Porta*, *Vlricus Molitor*, *Ewichus*, doe referre all that witches are said to doe, to Imagination alone, and this humour of melancholy. And whereas it is controverted, whether they can bewitch cattell &c: to death, ride in the Aire vpon a cowlstaffe, out of a chimney top, transforme themselves into Cattes, Dogges, &c: translate bo- dies from place to place, meete in companies, and daunce, as they doe, or haue carnall copulation with the Diuell, they ascribe all to this redundant melancholy, which domineeres in them, to ^k somniferous potions, and na- turall causes, the Diuels policy. *Non ledunt omnino* (saith *Wierus*) *aut quid mi- rum faciunt* (*de Lamys lib. 3. cap. 36*) *ut putatur, solam vitiatam habent phanta- siam*: they doe no such wonders at all, only their ^l Braines are crazed. ^m They thinke they are witches, and can doe hurt, but doe not. But this opinion *Bodine*, *E- rastus*, *Danens*, *Scribanus*, and [†] *Dandinus* the Iesuite, *lib. 2. de Anima* explode: and ⁿ *Cicogna* confutes at large. That witches are melancholy, they deny not but not out of a corrupt phantasie alone, so to delude themselves and others, or to produce such effects.

SVBSEC. 6.

Parents a cause by propagation.

[†] Lib. 1. cap. 11.
path.

^o Vt arthritici

Epilepti. &c.

^p Et filii non

nam possessio-

num quam mor-

borum heredes

sunt.

^r Epist. de secre-

tiis artis & na-

tur. e. cap. 7. nam

in hoc quod pa-

tres corrupti

sunt, generant

filios corruptos

complexionis,

& compositionis,

& filii eorum eadem de causa se corrumpunt, & sic derivatur corruptio a patribus, ad filios.

That other inward inbred cause of Melancholy, is our temperature, in whole, or part, which we receiue from our Parents, which [†] *Perne- lius* calls *præter naturam*, or vnnaturall, it being an hereditary disease: for as he iustifies, *quale parentum maximè patris semen obtigerit, tales eradunt similes, spermaticæq. partes, quocunq. etiam morbo pater quum generat tenetur, cum semine transfert in prolem*: Such as the temperature of the father is, such is the sonnes; and looke what disease the father had when hee begot him, such his sonne will haue after him, ^p and is as well inheritour of his infirmities, as of his lands. And where the complexion and constitution of the father is cor- rupt, there (saith [†] *Roger Bacon*) the complexion and constitution of the son must

weedes

needes be corrupt, and so the corruption is deriued from the father, to the sonne. Now this doth not so much appeare in the composition of the Body, according to that of ¹ Hippocrates, in habit, proportion, scarres, and other lineaments; but in manners and conditions of the Minde:

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Et patrum in natos abeunt cum semine mores:

Seleucus had an anchor on his thigh, & so had his posterity, as *Trogus* records lib. 15. *Lepidus* in *Pliny* lib. 7. cap. 17. was purblind, and so was his sonne. That famous family of *Enobarbi*, were knowne of old, so surnamed from their red bearded, the *Austrian* lip, and those *Indian* flat noses are propagated, the *Bavarian* chinne, and goggle eyes amongst the *Jewes*, as ¹ *Buxdorfius* obserues: their voyce, pace, gesture, lookes, is likewise deriued, and all the rest of their conditions and infirmities; such a mother, such a daughter; their very ^u affections *Lemnius* contends to follow their seede, and the malice and bad conditions of children, are many times wholly to be imputed to their Parents. I neede not therefore make any doubt of Melancholy, but that it is an hereditary disease. ^x *Paracelsus* in expresse words affirms it lib. de morb. amentium To. 4. Tr. 1. so doth *Crato* in an Epistle of his to *Monavius*. so doth *Bruno Seidelius* in his booke de morb. incurab. *Montanus* proues cap. 11. out of *Hippocrates* and *Platarch*, that such hereditary dispositions are frequent, & hanc (inquit) fieri reor ob participatam melancholicam intemperantiam, speaking of a Patient: I thinke he became so by participation of Melancholy. ² *Forestus* in his medicinall obseruations, illustrates this point, with an example of a Merchant his Patient, that had this infirmity by inheritance: *Lodouicus Mercatus* a Spanish Physitian, in that excellent Tract, which hee hath lately written of hereditary diseases, Tom. 2. oper. lib. 5. reckons vp Leprosie, as those ³ *Galbors* in *Gascony*, hereditary Lepers, Pox, Stone, Gout, Epilepsie &c: Amongst the rest, this, and Madnesse after a set time, comes to many, which he calls a miraculous thing in Nature, and stickes for euer to them as an incurable Habite. And that which is more to be wondred at, it skippes in some Families the Father, and goes to the Sonne, ^b or takes euery other, and sometimes euery third in a lineall descent, and doth not alwayes produce the same, but some like, and a symbolizing disease. These secundary causes so deriued, are commonly so powerfull, that (as ^c *Wolffus* holdes) *sæpe mutant decreta syderum*, they doe often alter the primary causes, and decrees of the heauens. For these reasons belike the Church and common wealth, humane and diuine Lawes, haue conspired to auoide hereditary diseases, forbidding such marriages as are any whit allied; and as *Mercatus* aduiseeth all Families, to take such, *si fieri possit que maximè distant naturâ*, & to make choice of those that are most differing in complexion from them: if they loue their owne, and respect the common good. And sure, I thinke, that it hath bene ordered by Gods especiall providence, that in all ages there should be (as vsually there is) once in ^d 600 yeares, a transmigration of Nations, to amend and purifie their brood, as wee alter seed vpon our Land, and that there should be, as it were, an inundation of those Northerne *Goths* and *Vandales*, *Scythians*, and many such like Nations, which came out of that Continent of *Scandia* and *Sarmatia* (as some suppose) and ouer ranne as a deluge, most parts of *Europe* and *Africke*, to alter for our good, our complexions, which were much defaced with hereditary infirmities, which by our lust and intemperance we had contracted. A sound

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genera

¹ Non tam in-
quie Hippocra-
tes) gibbos &
cicatrices oris
& corporis ba-
bitam agnoscis
ex his, sed verum
incestum, gestus,
mores, morbos
&c.
² Synagog. Ind.

^u Affectus pa-
rentum in fetus
transcunt, &
puerorum malitia
parentibus
imputanda lib. 4
cap. 3. de oculis.
nat. vtrac.

^x Ex pituitosis
pituitosis, ex bili-
osis biliosis, & li-
enosis & melan-
cholicis, me an-
cholicis.

³ Epist. 174. in
Scoltz: nasci-
tur nobiscum illa
aliturq; & una
cum parentibus
habemus malum
hunc affem. Io.
Pelesius lib. 2. de
cetera humanorū
affectuum.

² Lib. 10. obser-
uat. 15.

^c Maginus Geog.

^b Sæpe non eun-
dem, sed simi-
lem producit ef-
fectum, & ille so-
parente, transit
in nepotem.

^c Dial. prefix.
genituris Leoni-
ty.

^d Bodine de rep.
cap. de periodis
reip.

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generation of strong & able men were sent amongst vs, as those Northerne men vsually are, innocuous, free from riot, and free from diseases: to qualifie and make vs as those poore naked Indians are generally at this day; and those about *Brasile* (as a late ^e Writer obserues) in the Isle of *Maragnan*, free from all hereditary diseases, or other contagion, whereas without helpe of Physicke they liue commonly 120 yeares or more; as in the *Orchades*, and many other places. Such are the common effects of temperance, and intemperance; but I will descend to particulars, and shew by what meanes, and by whom especially this infirmity is deriued vnto vs.

Filij ex senibus nati, raro sunt firmi temperamenti, old mens children are seldome of a good temperament, as *Scoltzius* supposeth *consult. 177*, and therefore most apt to this disease: and as ^f *Levinus Lemnius* farther addes, olde men beget most part wayward, peevish, sad, melancholy sonnes, and seldome merry. He that begets a childe vpon a full stomacke, will either haue a sicke childe, or a crazed sonne (as ^g *Cardan* thinkes) *Contradiet. med. lib. 1. contradiet. 18*, or if the Parents be sicke, or haue any great paine of the head, as megrim, headache (*Hieronymus*, ^h *Wolffius* doth instance in a child of *Sebastian Castalius*) or if a drunken man get a child, it will neuer likely haue a good braine, as *Gellius* argues *l. 12. c. 1. Ebrj gignunt ebrios*, one drunkard begets another (saith ⁱ *Plutarch* *symp. l. 3. quest. 5*) whose sentence ^k *Lemnius* approoues *l. 1. c. 4. Elserius Genuensis de quisi. med. cent. 3. fol. 182. Macrobius lib. 1. Aricenna lib. 3. Fen. 21, Tract. 1. cap. 8*, and *Aristotle* himselfe, *sect. 3. prob. 4.* foolish, drunken, or haire-braine women, most part bring forth children like vnto themselues, *morosos & languidos*, and so likewise he that lies with a menstruous woman. Intemperantia Veneris, quam in nautis præsertim infectatur ^l *Lemnius*, qui uxores ineunt, nullâ menstrui decursus ratione habitâ, nec observato interludio, præcipua causa est, noxia, perniciofa, & quartâ lunâ concepti, infælices plerumq; & amentes, deliri, stolidi, omnibus bonis corporis atq; animi destituti: *ad laborem nati*, inquit *Eustathius*, ut *Hercules*, & alii. ^m *Iudæi* maximè infectantur foedum hunc, & immundum apud *Christianos* concubitus, & ut illicitum abhorrent, apud suos prohibent: & quod *Christiani* toties leprosi, amentes, tot morbilli, tam multi morbi Epidemici, acerbis, & venenosis sint, in hunc immundum concubitum rejiciunt, & crudeles in pignora vocant, qui quartâ lunâ profluente hâc mensium illuvie concubitum hunc non perhorrescunt. Damnavit olim divina Lex, & morte multavit hujusmodi homines, *Lev. 18. 20.* & inde nati, si qui deformes aut mutili, pater dilapidatus, quod non cõtineret ab immunda muliere. *Gregorius Magnus*, petenti *Augustino* nunquid apud ^o *Britannos* huiusmodi concubitus toleraret, severè prohibuit, viris suis tum misceri fæminas in consuetis suis menstruis &c; I spare to English this which I haue said. Another cause some giue, inordinate Diet, as if a man eate garlicke, onions, or fast over-much, or study too hard, or be over-sorrowfull, dull, heavy, their children (saith ^p *Cardan subtil. lib. 18.*) will be subiect to madnes and melancholy: for if the spirits of the braine be fusted, or misaffected by such meanes, at such a time, their children will be fusted in the braine: they will be dull, heavy, discontented all their liues. Some are of opinion, and maintaine that *Paradoxe* or *Probleme*, that wise men beget commonly fooles; and which ^q *E.*

^e *Claudius A. barville* Capuchian, in his voyage to *Maragnan* 1614. cap. 45. *Nemo ferè egrotus, sano omnes & robusto corpore, vivunt annos 120. 140. sine Mediâ inâ.*
Idem *Hector Boethius de Insulis Orchad. & Damianus à Goes de Scandiâ* ^f *Lib. 4. cap. 3. de occult. nat. mir. Tetricos plerumq; filios senes progenerant, & tristes rarius exhibent.*
^g *Coitus super repletionem pestimus, & filii qui tum gignuntur, aut morbofi sunt aut stolidi.*
^h *Dial. prefis. Leovizio.*
ⁱ *Lib. de educ. liberis.*
^k *De occult. nat. mir. temulentiæ & stolidæ mulieres, liberos plerumq; produciunt sibi similes.*
^l *Lib. 2. cap. 8. de occult. nat. mir.*
^m *Good Master Schoolmaster doe not English this.*
ⁿ *Buxdorfius cap. 31. Synag. Iud.*
^o *Ezek. 18.*
^p *Drusius obseru. lib. 3. cap. 20.*
^q *Beda eccl. hist. lib. 1. cap. 27. respons. 10.*
^r *Nam spiritus cerebri si tum male afficiantur, tales procreant, & quales fuerint affectus, tales filiorum: ex tristibus tristes, ex iucundis iucundi nascuntur &c.* ¹ *Fol. 129. mer. Socrates children were fooles. Sabel.*

rasmus

rasmus vrgeth in his *Moria*, fooles beget wise men. *Cardan* *subt. lib. 12*, giues this cause, *quoniam spiritus sapientum ob studium resolvuntur, & in cerebrum feruntur à corde*: because their naturall spirits are resolved by study, and turned into animall, drawne from the Heart, & those other parts to the braine. *Lemnius* subscribes to that of *Cardan*, and assignes this reason, *quod persolvant debitum languide, & oscitanter, unde sœtus à parentum generositate desciscit*: they pay their debt (as *Paul* calls it) to their wiues, remissely, by which meanes their children are weaklings, and many times idiots and fooles.

Some other causes are giuen, which properly pertaine to, and proceed from the mother: If she be ouer-dull, heauy, angry, peeuisht, discontented, & melancholy, not only at the time of conception, but euen all the while shee carries the childe in her wombe, (saith *Fernelius* *path. lib. 1. cap. 11*.) her sonne will be so likewise affected, and worse, as *Lemnius* addes, *lib. 4. cap. 7*. If shee grieue ouer-much, be disquieted, or by any casualty be affrighted, and terrified by some fearefull object, heard or seene, shee endangers her child, and spoiles the temperature of it: for the strange Imagination of a woman, works effectually vpon her Infant, that as *Baptista Porta* proues, *Physiogn. cœlestis, lib. 5. cap. 2*. shee leaues a marke vpon it, which is most especially seene in such as prodigiously long for such and such meats, the child will loue those meats, saith *Fernelius*, and bee addicted to like humours: * If a great-bellied woman see a Hare, her child will often haue an Hare lip, as we call it. *Gareus de Iudiciis geniturarum cap. 33*. hath a memorable example of one *Thomas Nickell* borne in the city of *Brandeburge*, *Ao 1551*. * that went reeling and staggering all the dayes of his life, as if he would fall to the ground, because his mother being great with childe, saw a drunken man so reeling in the street. Such another I finde in *Martin Ventrighius, com. de ortu monstrorum, cap. 17*. I saw (saith he) at *Wittenberge* in *Germany*, a Cittizen that looked like a carkasse, † I asked him the cause, he replied, his mother when she bore him in her wombe, saw a carkasse by chance, & was so sore affrighted with it, that *Ex eo foetus ei assimulatus*, from that gasty impression the childe was like it.

So many feuerall waies are we plagued and punished for our fathers defaults: In somuch, that as *Fernelius* truely saith, * it is the greatest part of our felicity to be well borne, and it were well for humane kinde, if onely such parents as are sound of body and minde, should be suffered to marry. An husbandman will sowe none but the best and choicest seed vpon his land, hee will not reare a Bull or an Horse, except he be well shapen in all parts, or permit him to couer a Mare, except hee be well assured of his breed: wee make choice of the best Rammes for our sheepe, and reare the neatest Kine, keep the best Dogs, *quandò id diligentius in procreandis liberis obseruandum?* And how careful then should we be in begetting of our children? In former times some y countries haue bene so chary and prouident in this behalfe, & so sterne, that if a child were crooked or deformed in body or minde, they made him away: so did the *Indians* of old by the relation of *Curtius*, and many other well governed commonwealths, according to the Discipline of those times. Heretofore in *Scotland*, saith * *Hector Boethius*, if any were visited with the falling sicknesse,

* Lib. 1. cap. 6. de occult. nat. mir.

* De occult. nat. mir.

Pica morbus mulierum.

* Baptista Porta loco pred.

Ex leporum intuitu uerique infantes edunt bido superiore labello.

* Quasi mox interram collapsurus, per omnem vitam incidebat cum mater grauida, ebrium homine sic incedentem uiderat. † Cuius facie cadaueresca, quæ dixit, &c.

* Optimum bene nasci.

Maxima pars felicitatis nostra bene nasci, quæ ob rem præclarè humano generi consultum videtur, si soli parentes bene habiti & sani, liberi operam darent.

* Infantes infirmi præcipit necari. *Bobemus 1.3. cap. 3. Apud Lacones olim. Lipsius epist. 85. cent. ad Belgas. Dionysio Villerio si quos aliquam membrorum parte inutiles notauerint, necari iubent.*

* Lib. 1. De veterum Senatorum moribus. Morbo comitali, demetia, mania, lepra &c. aut simili labe, quæ facile in prolem transmittitur, laborantes inter eos, ingenti factâ indagine, inuentos, ne gens sedâ contagione lederetur, ex iis nata, castrauerunt, mulieres huiusmodi procul à virorum consortio ablegarunt, quod si uirum aliqua concepiisse inueniebatur, simul cum foetu nondum edito, desodiebatur uirga.

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or madnesse, gout, leprosie, or any such dangerous disease, which was likely to be propagated from the father to the sonne, he was instantly gelded: a woman kept from all company of men; & if by chance hauing some such disease, she were found to be with childe, she with her brood were buried aliue: and this was done for the common good, least the whole nation should bee iniured or corrupted. A seuerer doome you will say, and not to be vsed amongst Christians, yet more to bee looked into then it is. For now by our too much facility in this kinde, in giuing way for all to marry that will, or too much liberty and indulgence in tolerating all sorts, there is a vast confusion of hereditary diseases, no family secure, no man almost free from some grievous infirmity or other, when no choice is had, but still the eldest must marry, as so many Itallions of the Race, or if rich, be they fooles or dizzards, lame or maimed, vnable, intemperate, dissolute, exhaust through riot, as he said, *a iure hereditario sapere iubentur*; they must be wise and able by inheritance; it comes to passe that our generation is corrupt, we haue many weake persons both in body and minde, many ferall diseases raging amongst vs, crazed families, our fathers bad, and we are like to be worse.

^a *Euphormio*
Satyr.

MEMB. 2.

SVBSEC. I.

Bad diet a cause. Substance. Quality of meats.

^b *Fecit omnia
delicta quae fieri
possunt circa res
sex non-natura-
les, & ea fue-
runt cause ex-
trinsecæ, ex qui-
bus postea orta
sunt obstructio-
nes.*

^c *Path. lib. 1.*

cap. 2.

*Maximum in
gignendis morbis
vni obtinet. pa-
bulum, materi-
am, morbi sug-
gerens: nam nec
ab aere, nec a
perturbationi-
bus, vel aliis eui-
dentibus causis
morbi sunt, nisi
consentiat corpo-
ris preparatio,
& humorum
constitutio.*

*Et semel dicam
vna gula est
omnium morbo-
rum mater, cui-
am si aliud est ge-
nitor.*

*Ab hac morbi
sponte sepe e-
manant, nulla
alia cogente cau-
sa.*

According to my proposed method, hauing opened hitherto these secundary causes, which are inbred with vs; I must now proceed to the outward and aduentitious, which happen vnto vs after wee are borne. And those are either Evident, Remote, or inward Antecedent, and the nearest. Continent causes some call them. These outward, remote, precedent causes are subdiuided againe, into necessary and not necessary. Necessary (because we cannot avoid them, but they will alter vs, as they are vsed, or abused) are those six non-naturall things, so much spoken of amongst Physicians, which are principall causes of this disease. For almost in euery consultation, whereas they shall come to speake of the causes, the fault is found, & this most part objected to the patient, *peccauit circa res sex non naturales*: hee hath still offended in one of those six. *Montanus consil. 22.* consulted about a Melancholy Iew, giues that sentence, so did *Frisemelica* in the same place: & in his 244 counsell, censuring a melancholy souldier, giues that reason of his malady, ^b *that he offended in all those six non-naturall things, which were the outward causes, from which came those inward obstructions*: and so in the rest.

These six non-naturall things, are Diet, Retention & Evacuation, which are more materiall then the other, because they make new matter, or else are conuersant in keeping or expelling of it. The other foure are, Aire, Exercise, Sleeping Waking, and perturbations of the minde, which onely alter the matter. The first of these is Diet, which consists in meat and drinke, and causeth Melancholy, as it offends in Substance or Accidents, that is, quantity, quality, or the like. And well it may be called a materiall cause, since that as ^c *Fernelius* hath it: *It hath such a power in begetting of diseases, and yeelds the matter & sustenance of them: for neither aire, nor perturbations, nor any of those other*

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Beefe.

• *Fr. et agins.*

Isaacke.

*f Non laudatur,
quia melanco-
licum præbet a-
limentum.*

cervina (inquit
Frietagi^o) cras-
sissimum & a-
tribilariū sup-
peditat alimen-
tum

^h Lib. de Subti-
liss. dictâ. Equi-
na caro & asini-
na, equinis dan-
da est homini-
bus & asininis.
Venison. Fal-
low Decree.

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Hare.

Hare, a black meat, melancholy, and hard of digestion, it breeds *Incubus* often eaten, and causeth fearefull Dreames, so doth all *Venison*, and is condemned by a lury of Physitians. *Mizaldus* and some others, say, that Hare is a merry meat, and that it will make one faire, as *Martials* Epigram testifies to *Gellia*, but this is *per accidens*, because of the good sport it makes, merry company, and good Discourse that is commonly at the eating of it, and not otherwise to be vnderstood.

Conies.

ⁱ *Parum absunt à naturâ leporis.*
Brucrinus l. 13. cap. 25. pullorum tenera & optima.
² *Illaudibilis sacci nauseam promouant.*

ⁱ Conies are of the nature of Hares. *Magninus* compares them to Beefe, Pig, and Goat, *Reg. sanit. part. 3. cap. 17.* yet yong Rabbits, by all men are aproued to be good.

Generally, all such meates as are hard of Digestion, breed melancholy. *Arctus lib. 7. cap. 5.* reckons vp heades and feete, ^k bowels, braines, entrals, marrow, fat, blood, skinnies, and those inward parts, as Heart, lungs, liuer, spleene &c. They are reiected by *Isaack lib. 2. part. 3.* *Magninus part. 3. cap. 17.* *Brucrinus lib. 12. Savanarola Rub. 32. Tract. 2.*

Milke.

¹ *Pijo. Altomar.*

Milke, and all that comes of milke, as Butter and Cheefe, Curds &c: increase melancholy (Whey only excepted) which is most wholesome: Some except Asses milke. The rest, to such as are sound, is nutritiue and good, especially for yong children, but because soon turned to corruption, ^m not good for such as haue vncleane stomacks, or be subiect to head-ach, or haue green wounds, Stone, &c. Of all Cheeses, I take that kinde which we call *Banbury* Cheese to be the best, *ex vetustis pessimus*, the older, stronger, and harder, the worst, as *Langius* discourseth in his Epistle to *Melancthon*, cited by *Mizaldus. Isaac part. 5. Galen lib. 3. de cibis boni succi, &c.*

^m *Curio Frietagus. Magninus. part. 3. cap. 17. Mercurialis de affect. lib. 1. cap. 10. ex ce. is all milke meates in Hypochondriacall Melancholy.*
Fowle.
ⁿ *Wecker Syntax. Theor. p. 2. Isaack. Brucrinus. lib. 15. c. 30 & 31.*
Fishes.

Amongst Fowle, ⁿ Peacocks and Pigeons, all fenny Fowle are forbidden, as Ducks, Geese, Swans, Hearnies, Cranes, Coots, Didappers, Waterhennes, and all those Teales, Curres, Sheldrakes, and peckled Fowles, which come hither in winter out of *Scandia*, *Muscovy*, *Greenland*, *Freisland*, which halfe the yeare be couered all ouer with snow, and frozen vp. Though these bee faire in feathers, pleasant in taste, and haue a good outside, like hypocrites, white in plumes, and soft, their flesh is hard, blacke, vnwholsome, dangerous, melancholy meat, *grauant & putrefaciunt stomachum*, saith *Isaack part. 5. de vol.* their yong ones are more tollerable, but young Pigeons hee quite disprooues.

^e *Cap. 18. part. 3*

Rhasis, and ^o *Magninus* discommend all Fish, and say they breed *Viscosties*, slimy nutriment, litle & humorous nourishment, *Savanarola* adds cold, moist, and phlegmaticke, *Isaack*: and therefore vnwholsome for all cold and melancholy complexions. Others make a difference, reiecting only amongst fresh water fish, *Eele*, *Tensh*, *Lampray*, *Crawfish*, (which *Bright* approues *cap. 6.*) and such as are bred in muddy and standing waters, and haue a taste of mud, as *Franciscus Bonfuetus* poetically defines, *lib. de aquatilibus.*

Nam pisces omnes, qui stagna, lacusq; frequentant,

Semper plus succi deterioris habent.

All Fish, that standing pooles and lakes frequent,

Doe euer yeeld bad inyce and nourishment.

Lampreyes *Paulus Iouius cap. 34. de piscibus fluvial.* highly magnifies, and saith, none speake against them but *inepti* and *scrupulosi*, some scrupulous persons; but ^p *Ecles cap. 33.* he abhorreth in all places, at all times, all Physitians detest

^p *Omni loco & omni tempore medici detestantur anguillas præsertim circa solstitium. Damnantur tam sanis tam ægris.*

detest them, especially about the Solstice. *Gomesius lib. 1. cap. 22. de sale* doth immoderately extoll all Sea fish, which others as much vilifie, and about the rest, dried, fowced, indurate fish, as Ling, Fumados, Red herrings, Sprats, Stockfish, Habberdine, poore Iohn, all shellfish. *Tim. Bright* excepts Lobstar and Crab. *Messarius* commends Salmon, which *Bruerinus* contradicts *lib. 22. cap. 17. Magninus* reiects Congre, Sturgeon, Turbut, Mackerell, Skate.

Cap. 6. in his Tract. of Melancholy.

Carpe, is a fish, of which I know not what to determine. *Franciscus Bonfuetus* accompts it a muddy fish, *Hippolitus Salviatus* in his booke *de Piscium natura & preparatione*, which was printed at Rome in fol. 1554. with most elegant pictures, esteemes Carp no better then a slimy watery meat. *P. Iovius* on the other side, disallowing Tench, approues of it: So doth *Dubravius* in his bookes of Fish ponds. *Freitagius* extols it for an excellent wholesome meat, and puts it amongst the Fishes of the best ranke: and so doe most of our Countrey Gentlemen, that store their Ponds almost with no other Fish. But this controuersie is easily decided, in my iudgement, by *Bruerinus lib. 22. cap. 13.* The difference riseth from the site and nature of Pooles, sometimes muddy, sometime sweet: they are in taste as the place is from whence they be taken. In like manner almost wee may conclude of other fresh-fish. But see more in *Randoletius*, *Bellonius*, *Oribasius lib. 7. cap. 22.* *Isaac, lib. 1.* especially *Hippolitus Salviatus*, who is *instar omnium solus, &c.* Howsoeuer they may be wholesome and approued, much vse of them is not good; *P. Forestus* in his Medicinall obseruations, relates that *Carthusian* Friers, whose liuing is most part Fish, are more subiect to Melancholy then any other order, and that he found by experience, being sometimes their Physitian ordinary at Delph in Holland. He exemplifies it with an instance of one *Buscodnese* a *Carthusian* of a ruddy colour, and well liking, that by solitary liuing and fish eating, became so misaffected.

Optime nutrit omnium iudicio inter prime notę pisces gustu præstanti.
Non est dubium, quin pro vitiis variorum situ, ac naturâ, magnas alimentorum sortiantur differentias, alibi suauiores alibi lutulentiores.
Obseruat. 16. lib. 10.

Amongst hearbes to be eaten, I find Gourds, Cowcumbers, Coleworts, Mellons disallowed, but especially cabbage. It causeth troublesome dreames, and sends vp blacke vapors to the braine. *Galen loc. affect. lib. 3. cap. 6.* of all hearbes condemnes Cabbage: And *Isaac lib. 2. cap. 1. anima gravitatem facit*, it brings heauinesse to the Soule. Some are of opinion, that all raw herbs and fallers breed Melancholy blood, except Buglosse and Lettice. *Crato consil. 2. lib. 2.* speaks against all hearbes and worts, except Borrage, Buglosse, Fennell, Parsly, Dill, Bawme, Succory. *Magninus regim. sanitatis 3. part. cap. 31. omnes herbe simpliciter mala, viâ cibi*, All hearbes are simply euill to feed on (as he thinkes.) So did that scoffing Cooke in *Plantus* holde,

Hearbes.

Pseudolus, act. 3. scen. 1.

—Non ego cœnam condio ut alij coqui solent.

Qui mihi condita prata in patinis proferunt,

Boves qui convivas faciunt, herbasq; aggerunt.

Like other Cookes I doe not supper dresse,

That put whole Meddowes in a platter,

And make no better of their Guests then Beëves,

With hearbes and grasse to feed them fatter.

Our *Italians* and *Spaniards* doe make a whole dinner of hearbes and fallers, by which meanes as he followes it.

Hic homines tam brevem vitam colunt,

Qui herbas huiusmodi in alvum suum congerunt,

Plantus

For

Formidolosum dictu, non esu modo,

Quas herbas pecudes non edunt, homines edunt.

Their liues that eate such hearbes, must needes be short,

And t is a fearefull thing for to report,

That men should feed on such a kinde of meat,

Which very juments would refuse to eat.

*Quare rectius
valetudinis
quiss, consulet,
qui lapsus prio-
rum parentum
memor eas plane
vel omiserit vel
parce degustavit
Kersteinus cap.
4 de vero usu
med.*

*In Mizaldo
de Horto. P.
Crescent. Her-
baslein &c.
Rootes.*

*Cap. 13 part. 3
Bright in his
Tract of Mel.*

*Intellectum
turbant, produ-
cunt insaniam.*

*Audio (in-
quit Magninus)
quod si quis ex
his per annum
continue co-
meat, in
insaniam cade-
ret cap. 13.
Fruits.*

*Improbi succi
sunt. Cap. 12.*

*De rerum va-
rietat.*

*In Fessa plerūq;
morboſi, quod
fructus com-
dant ter in die.*

Cap. de Mel.

*Lib. 11. cap. 3.
Pulse.*

They are windie, and not fit therefore to be eaten of all men raw, though qualified with oyle, but in brothes or otherwise. See more of these in euery

Husbandman and Herbalist. Rootes, *Et si quorundam gentium opes sint*, saith Bruerinus, the wealth of some countries, and sole food, are windy and bad, or troublesome to the head, as Onions, Garlicke, Scallions, Turneps, Car-

rets, Radishes, Parsnips; *Crato lib. 2. consil. 11.* disallowes all Rootes, though a some approue of Parsnips, and Potatoes. *Magninus* is of *Crato's* opinion,

they trouble the mind, sending grosse fumes to the braine, make men mad, espe-

cially, Garlicke, Onions, if a man liberally feed on them a yeare together. *Guianerius Tract. 15. cap. 2.* complains of all manner of Rootes, and so doth

Bruerinus, euen Parsnips themſelues, which are the best. *L. 9. c. 14. pastinacarum
usus succos gignit improbos. Crato consil. 2. 1. lib. 1.* vterly forbids all manner of

Fruits, as Peares, Apples, Plums, Cherries, Strawberries, Nuts, Medlers, Serues, &c. *Sanguinem inficiunt*, saith *Villanovanus*, they infect the blood, &

putrifie it, *Magninus* holdes, and must not therefore be taken, *via cibi, aut
quantitate magna*, not to make a meale of, or in any gceat quantity. *Cardan*

makes that a cause of their continuall sicknesse at *Fessa* in *Africke*, because they liue so much on Fruits, eating them thrice a day. *Laurentius* approues of

many fruits, in his Tract of Melancholy, which others disallow, & amongst the rest Apples, which many likewise commend, as Sweetings, Paimaines,

Pippins, as good against Melancholy. But to him that is any way inclined to, or touched with this malady, *Nicholas Piso* in his Practickes, forbids all

fruits, as windy, or to be sparingly eaten at least, and not raw. Amongst other fruits, *Bruerinus* out of *Galen*, excepts Grapes and Figges, but I find them

likewise reiected. All Pulse are naught, Beanes, Pease, Fitches &c. They fill the Braine (saith *Isaack*) with grosse fumes, breed blacke thicke blood, and

cause troublesome dreames. And therefore that which *Pythagoras* said to his Schollers of old, may be for euer applyed to Melancholy men, *a fabis absti-*

nete, Eat no Pease, nor Beanes: yet to such as will needes eate them, I would giue counsell to prepare them according to those rules that *Arnoldus Villa-*

novanus, Frietagus prescribe, for eating and dressing Fruits, Hearbs, Roots, Pulse &c.

Spices.

Spices cause hot and head melancholy, and are for that cause forbidden by our Physitians, to such men as are inclined to this malady, as Pepper, Gin-

ger, Cinnamon, Cloues, Mace, Dates &c. Hony and Sugar. *Some* except Hony, to those that are cold it may be tollerable, but *Dulcia se in bilem ver-*

tunt, they are obstructiue. *Crato* therefore forbids all spice, in a consultation of his, for a melancholy Schoolemaster, *Omnia aromatica, & quicquid san-*

guinem adurit: so doth *Fernelius consil. 45. Guianerius tract. 15. cap. 2. Mer-*

curialis cons. 189. To these I may adde all sharpe and sowre things, or luscious and ouer sweet; or Fat, as Oyle; Vineger, Veriuiice, Mustard, Salt. As

sweet things are obstructiue, so these are corrosiue. *Gomelius* in his bookes

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*Bright cap.
6, excepts ho-
ny.*

*Hor. apud
Scoltzium con-
sil. 186.*

de Sale lib. 1. cap. 21. highly commends Salt; so doth Codronchus in his Tract de sale Absynthij. Lemn lib. 3. cap. 9. de occult. nat. mir. yet common experience findes Salt, and salt meates, to be great causes of this disease. And for that cause belike those Egyptian Priests abstained from Salt, euen so much as in their Bread, *ut sine perturbatione anima esset*, saith mine Author, that their soules might be free from perturbations.

Bread that is made of baser graine, as Pease, Bearies, Oates, Rye, or ^k. ouer hard baked, crusty and blacke. is much spoke against, as causing melancholy iuyce and winde. Ioh. Maior in his first booke of his History of Scotland, contends much for the wholsomnesse of Oaten Bread; It was objected to him then liuing at Paris in France, that his Countreymen fed on Oates and base graine, as a disgrace: but hee doth ingeniously confesse, that Scotland, Wales, and a third part of England, did most part vse that kinde of Bread, and that it was as wholesome as any graine, and yeelded as good nourishment. And yet wecker out of Galen, calls it horse meat, and fitter for juments, then for men to feed on. But read Galen himselte lib. 1. de cibis boni & mali succi, more largely discoursing of Corne and Bread.

Bread.

Ne comedas crustam, chole-
ram quia gignit
adustam. Schol.
Sal.

All black Wines, ouer hot, compound, strong thick drinckes, as Muscadine, Malmesie, Allegant, Rumny, Browne bastard, Merheglen, and the like, of which they haue 30 feuerall kindes in Muscovy, all such made drinckes are hurtfull in this case, to such as are hot, or of a sanguine cholericke complexion, or yong, or inclined to head melancholy. For many times the drinking of wine alone causeth it. Arculanus cap. 16. in 9. Rhasis, puts in Wine for a great cause, especially, if it be immoderately vsed. Guianerius Tract. 15. cap. 2. tells a story of two Dutch men, to whom hee gaue entertainment in his house, that in ^m one moneths space were both melancholy by drinking of wine, one did nought but sing, the other sighe. Galen lib. de causis morb. cap. 3. Ma- zhiolus on Dioscorides, and aboue all other Andreas Bachius lib. 3. cap. 18. 19, 20. haue reckoned vp those inconueniences that come by Wine. Yet notwithstanding all this, to such as are cold, or sluggish melancholy, a cup of Wine is good Physick, and so doth Mercurialis grant, consil. 25. in such cases, if the temperature be cold, as to most melancholy men it is, Wine is much commended, if it be moderately vsed. Cider and Perry are both cold and windy drinckes, and for that cause to be neglected, and so are all those hot spiced strong drinckes.

Wine.

Vinum turbi-
dum.

Ex vini pa-
tentis bibitione,
duo Alemani in
uno mense me-
lancholici facti
sunt.

Cider. Perry.

Beere, if it be ouer new or ouer stale, ouer strong, or not sod, smell of the caske, sharpe or sower is most vnwholsome, it frets and gaules, &c. Henricus Avverus in a consultation of his, for one that laboured of Hypochondriacall melancholy discommends Beere. So doth Crato in that excellent counsell of his lib. 2. consil. 21. as too windie because of the Hoppe. But hee meanes belike that thicke blacke Bohemian beere vsed in some other parts of Germany,

Beere.

Hildisheim
specul. fol. 273.
Crassum gene-
rat sanguinem.

About Dan-
zick in Spruce,
Hamburg, Lip-
sike.

*nil spissius illa
Dum bibitur, nil elarius est dum mingitur, unde
Constat quod multas faces in corpore linquat.*

Nothing comes in so thicke
Nothing goes out so thinne,
It must needs follow then
The dregges are left within.

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¹ *Henricus A-*
brincensis.
² *Potus tum fa-*
lubris tum in-
cundus, lib. 1.

Waters.

¹ *Galen. l. 1. de*
san. tuend. Ca-
uende sunt aque
que ex stagnis
hauriuntur, &
que turbide &
male olentes,
&c.

² *Innoxium red-*
dit & bene o-
lentem.

³ *Contendit hęc*
vitia coctione
non emendari.

⁴ *Lib. de bonita-*
te aque, hydro-
pem auget. febres
putridas. splenē,
zuffes, nocet oculo-
lis, malum ha-
bitum corporis
& colorem.

⁵ *Magnum in-*
gritatem inducit
si pecora bibe-
rint.

⁶ *Aque ex niui-*
bis coactę sin-
mosos faciunt.

⁷ *Cosmog. lib. 3.*
cap. 36.

⁸ *Method. hist.*
cap. 5. balbuti-
unt Labdomi in
Aquitania ob a-
guas atq; in mor-
bi ab aquis in
corpora deri-
uantur.

⁹ *Eculia ex san-*
guine & suffoca-
to parta. Hilde-
brand.

¹⁰ *Cupedia vero*
placenta, bella-
ria commentaq;
alia curiosa pi-
storum & coquo-
rum, gustui ser-

uientium conciliant morbos tum corpori tum animo insanabiles. Philo Iudeu, lib. de uiclimis. P. 100. vita ciuis. c As Lettice steeped in Wine, Birds fed with Fennell and Sugar, as a Popes Concubine vfed in Avignon. Stephanus

As that old Poet scoffed, calling it *Stygia monstrum conforme paludi*, a monstrous drinke, like the riuer *Styx*. But let them say as they list to such as are accustomed vnto it, *it is a most wholesome* (so *Polidor Virgil* calleth it) and a pleasant drinke, it is more subtil and better for the hop that rarifies it, & hath an especiall vertue against melancholy, as our Herbalists confesse, *Euchsius* approues, *lib. 2. sect. 2. Instit. cap. 11.* and many others.

Standing Waters, thicke and ill coloured, such as come forth of Pooles and Motes, where hemp hath beene steeped, or slimy fishes liue, are most vnholtsome, putrified and full of mites, creepers, slimy, muddy, vncleane, corrupt, impure, by reason of the Sunnes heat: and still standing, they cause foul distemperatures in the body and minde of man, are vnfit to make drinke of, to dresse meat with, or to be vsed about men inwardly or outwardly. They are good for many domesticall vses, to steepe Malt, water Cattle, &c. or in time of necessity, but not otherwise. Some are of opinion, that such standing wates makes the best Beere, and that seething doth defecate it, as *Cardan* holds *lib. 13. subtil. It mends the substance and sauer of it*, but it is a paradoxe. Such beere may bee stronger, but not so wholesome as the other, as *Iobertus* truely iustifieth out of *Galen, Paradox. dec. 1. Paradox. 5.* that the seething of such impure waters doth not purge or purifie them. *Pliny lib. 31. cap. 3.* is of the same Tenent, and *P. Crescentius agricult. lib. 1. & lib. 4. cap. 11. & 1. 45. Pamphilus Herilacus, lib. 4. de nat. aquarum.* such waters are naught, not to be vsed, and by the testimony of *Galen, Breed Agues, Dropsies, Pleurisy, Splenetick, and melancholy passions, hurt the eyes, cause a bad temperate, and dispositio of the whole body, with bad colour.* This *Iobertus* stiffly maintaines *Paradox. lib. 1. par. 5.* that it causeth bleare eyes, bad colour, and many loathsome diseases to such as vse it. This which they say stands with good reason: for as Geographers relate, the water of *Astracan* breeds wormes in such as drinke it. *Axius*, or as now called *Verduri*, the fairest riuer in *Macedonia*, makes all cattell blacke that tast of it. *Aleacman* now *Pelega*, another streame in *Thesaly*, makes cattell most part white. *si potui ducas. I. Aubanus Bohemus* refers that *Struma*, or poke of the *Bauarians* and *Styrians* to the nature of their waters, as *Munster* doth that of the *Valesians* in the *Alpes*, and *Bodine* supposeth that stutting of some families in *Aquitania* about *Labden*, to proceed from the same cause, and that the filth is deriued from the water to their bodies, So that they that vse filthy standing, ill coloured, muddy water, must needs haue muddy, ill coloured, impure, and infirme bodies. And because the body workes vpon the minde, they must haue grosser vnderstandings, dull, foggy, melancholy spirits, and be really subiect to all manner of infirmities.

To these noxious simples, wee may reduce an infinite number of compound, artificiall made dishes, of which our Cooks affourd vs a great variety, as Taylers doe fashions in our apparell. Such are *Puddings* stuffed with bloud, or otherwise composed, Baked meats, sowced, indurate meats, fried, and broyled, buttered meats, condite, powdred, and ouer-dried, *all Cakes, Simnells, Bunnes, Cracknells* made of butter, spice, &c. *Fritters, Pancakes, Pies, Salfages*, and all those seuerall sauces, sharpe or ouer sweet, of which *Scientia popina*, as *Seneca* calls it, hath serued those *Apician* trickes, and per-

fumed

fumed dishes, which ^d Adrian the 6. Pope, so much admired in the accounts of his predecessor *Leo Decimus*: And which prodigious riot and prodigality haue inuented in this age. These doe generally ingender grosse humours, fill the stomacke with crudities, & all those inward parts with obstructions. *Montanus consil. 22.* giues instance in a melancholy Iew, that by eating such tart sauces, made dishes, and salt meats, with which hee was ouermuch delighted, became melancholy, and was euill affected. Such examples are familiar and common.

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^d *Anime negotium illa facessit, & de templo dei immunda stabulum facit. Peletius, 1. cap.*

SVBSEC. 2.

Quantity of Diet a cause.

T Here is not so much harme proceeding from the substance it selfe of meat, and quality of it, in ill dressing and preparing of it, as there is from the quantity, disorder of time and place, vnseasonable vse of it, ^d intemperance, or ouermuch, or ouer little taking of it. A true saying it is, *Plures crapula quam gladius*, this gluttony kills more then the sword. And that of ^d Pliny is truer, *Simple diet is the best, heaping vp of seuerall meats is pernicious, and sauces worse, many dishes bring many diseases.* ^f *Avicen* cries out, that nothing is worse then to feed on many dishes, or to protract the time of meats longer then ordinary, from thence proceed our infirmities, and 'tis the fountaine of all diseases, which arise out of the repugnancy of grosse humours. Thence, saith ^g *Fernelius*, come crudities, winde, oppilations, *cachochymia*, *plethora*, *Cacexia*, *Bradiopepsia*, ^{*} *Hinc subita mortes atq; intestata senectus*, sudden death, &c. and what not.

^e *Lib. 11. cap. 52. Homini cibis utilissimus simplex; accretio ciborum pestifera, & condimenta pernitiosa, multos morbos multa secula ferunt.*

^f *3. 1. doc. 2. cap. Nihil deterius quam si tempus in solongius commedendo protrahatur, & varia ciborum genera coniungantur: inde morborum scaturigo, que ex repugnancia humorum oritur.*

^g *Path. lib. 1. cap. 14.*

^h *1. 1. 1. 5.*

ⁱ *Nimia repletio ciborum facit melancholicum.*

^j *Comestio superflua cibi, & potus quantitas nimia.*

^k *Impura corpora quanto magis nutritis tanto magis ledit: putrefacit enim alimentum vitiosum humor.*

^l *Vid Goclen. de portentosis cenis, &c.*

^m *Inuenal.*

As a Lampe is choaked with a multitude of oyle, or a little fire with ouer much wood quite extinguished: so is the naturall heat with immoderate eating strangled in the body. *Pernitiosa sentina est abdomen insatrabile*; one saith; an insatiable paunch is a pernicious sinke, and the fountaine of all diseases both of body and minde. ^h *Mercurialis* will haue it a peculiar cause of this priuate disease. *Solenander consil. 5. sect. 3.* illustrates this of *Mercurialis*, with an example of one so melancholy, *ab intempestiuis commestationibus*; vnseasonable feasting. ⁱ *Crato* confirms as much, in that often cited counsell, *2. 1. lib. 2.* putting superfluous eating for a maine cause. But what need I seeke farther for proofes? Heare *Hippocrates* himselfe, *lib. 2. Aphorif. 10. 1.* *Impure bodies the more they are nourished, the more they are hurt, for the nourishment is putrified with vitious humours.*

And yet for all this harme, which apparently follows surfetting and drunkenness, see how we luxuriate and rage in this kinde, *quam* ^l *portentosa cene*, prodigious suppers; what *Fagos*, *Epicures*, *Apitios*, *Heliogables* our times affoord? *Lucullus* Ghost walks still, and every man desires to sup in *Apollo*: *Esops* costly dish is ordinarily serued vp,

^{*} *Magis illa iuvant, quae pluris emuntur,*

The dearest cates are best, and 'tis an ordinary thing to bestowe 20 or 30^l vpon a dish, some thousand Crownes vpon a dinner: *Mully-Hamel* King of *Fez* and *Morocco* spent three pound on the sauce of a Capon: 'tis nothing in our times, we scorne all that is cheape. *we loath the very light* (some of vs, as

⁺ *Guicciardine.*

Seneca

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* Nat. quest. 4.
cap. ult. fastidio
est lumen gratu-
itum, dolet quod
solem, quod spi-
ritum emere non
possimus, quod
hic aer non em-
pius ex facili,
Etc. adeo nihil
placet, nisi quod
carum est.

in Ingeniosi ad
Gulim.

† Olim vile man-
cipium, nunc in om-
ni estimatione,
nunc ars haberi
cepit. Etc.

† Epist. 28. l. 7.
quorum in ven-
tre ingenium, in
palinis, Etc.

o In lucem co-
nat Sertius.

P Seneca.

* Mancipia gulae,
dapes non sapore
sed sumptu esti-
mantur. Seneca
consol. ad Helui-
dium.

* Sententia gut-
tura satiare non
possunt fluxus et
maria. Eneas
Sylvius de mi-
ser. curial.

† Plautus.

* Hor.

† Et quo plus ca-
pian, irritamen-
ta excogitantur.

* Foras por an-
tur ut ad conui-
uium reporten-
tur, replevi ut
exhauriant, &
exhauriri ut bi-
bant. Ambros.

* Ingentia vasa
velut ad osten-
tationem, Etc.

* Gratiam con-
ciliant potando.

* Notis ad Ca-
sares.

* Lib. de educan-
dis principum li-
beris.

* Virg.

* Seneca notes) because it comes free, and we are offended with the Sunnes heat, & those coole blasts, because we buy them not. This aire wee breath is so common, we care not for it, nothing pleaseth but what is deare, And if wee bee witty in any thing, it is ad gulam: If we study at all, it is erudito luxu, to please the pallat, and to satisfie the gut. A Cooke of old was a base knave (as Liuy com- plains) but now a great man in request: Cookery is become an art, a noble science, Cookes are Gentlemen. Venter Deus, They weare their braines in their bellies, and their guts in their heads, as Agrippa taxed some Parasites of his time, ru- shing on their owne destruction, as if a man should runne vpon the point of a sword, vsq. dum rumpantur comedunt, o all day, all night, let the Physitian say what he will, imminent danger, and serall diseases are now ready to seize vpon them, they will eat till they vomit, Edunt ut vomant, vomunt ut edant, saith Seneca, which Dion relates of Vitellius, solo transitu ciboru nutriri iudicat, his meat did passe through, and away: or till they burst againe. P Strage ani- mantium ventrem onerant, and rake ouer all the world, as so many slaves & belly-gods, & totus orbis ventri nimis angustus, the whole world cannot sa- tisfie their appetite. * Sea, land, riuers, lakes, &c cannot giue content to their ra- ging guts. To make vp the messe, what immoderate drinking in euery place? As if they were fruges consumere nati, borne to no other ende but to eat and drinke. Que fuerant vitia mores sunt: tis now the fashion of our times, an ho- nour, as in like case Epidicus told Thesprio his fellow seruant, in the † Poet. Adipol facinus improbum, one vrged, the other replied: at iam alij fecere idem, erit illi illa res honoris. tis now no fault, there be so many braue examples to beare one out: tis a credit to haue a strong braine, and carry his liquor wel; the sole contention who can drinke most and fox his fellow soonest. Tis the summum bonum of our Tradesmen, their felicity, tantâ dulcedine affectant, saith Pliny, lib. 14. cap. 22. Vt magna pars non aliud vitæ premium intelligat, they will labour hard all day long to be drunke at night, and conuert day in- to night, as Seneca taxeth some in his times, peruertunt officia noctis & lucis, when we rise, they commonly goe to bed, like our Antipodes,

Nosq. ubi primus equis oriens afflauit anhelis

Ilis sera rubens accendit lumina vesper.

So did Petronius in Tacitus, Heliogabalus in Lampridius,

--- * Noctes vigilabat ad ipsum

Mane diem totum stertebat, --- and so doe Myrriads in our

dayes. They inuent new trickes, as Sauages, Anchoues, Tobacco, Ca- veare, pickled Oysters, Herrings, Fumados, &c. innumerable salt meates to increase their appetite, and study how to hurt themselves by taking An- tidotes, to carry their drinke the better: And when nought else serues, they will goe forth, or be conuayed out to empty their gorge, that they may retorne to drinke afresh. They make lawes contra bibendi fallacias, and bragge of it when they haue done, * inuiting and incouraging others to doe as they doe, and loue them dearely for it (no glew like to that of goodfellowship) So did Alcibiades in Greece, Nero, Bonosus, Heliogabalus in Rome, or Alegabalus ra- ther, as he was styled of old, (as Ignatius proues out of some old coynes.) So doe many great men still, as * Heresbachius obserues. When a Prince drinks till his eyes stare, like Bitias in the Poet, --- * Ille impiger hausit

Spumantem vino pateram) --- and comes of clearly, found Trum-
pers

pets, Fife and Drummes, the Spectators will applaud him, the * Bishop himselfe (if he bely them not) with his Chaplain will stand by and doe as much, *Odignum principe haustum*, 'twas done like a Prince. Our Dutch men invite all commers with a peale and a dish, making barrells of their bellies. Incredible dictu, as ² one of their owne countrymen complaines: *a Quantum liquoris immodestissima gens capiat, &c.* How they loue a man that will bee drunke, crowne him and honour him for it, hate him that will not pledge him, stab him, kill him, a most intolerable offence, and not to be forgiven. * He is a mortall enemy that will not drinke with him, as Munster relates of the Saxons. So in Poland, he is the best seruitor, and the honestest fellow, saith Alexander Gaguinus, * that drinckes most healths to the honour of his master, he shall be rewarded as a good seruant. Thus they many times wilfully peruert the good temperature of their bodies, stifle their wits, strangle nature, and degenerate into beasts.

Some againe are in the other extreame, and draw this mischief on their heads by ouermuch fasting: Pining adaies, saith ^b Guianerius, and waking a nights, as many Moores & Turkes in these our times doe. Anchorites, Monks, and the rest of that superstitious ranke (as the same Guianerius witnesseth, that he hath often scene to haue happened in his time) through immoderate fasting, haue beene frequently madde. Of such men belike Hippocrates speakes, 1. Aphor. 5. when as he saith, ^c They more offend in too sparing diet, & are worse dammed, then they that feed liberally, and are ready to surfet.

Serto coronant inimicissimum e contra qui non vult & cedere & iustibus expiant. * Qui potare recusat, hostis habetur, & cedere nonnumquam res expiatur. * Qui melius bibit pro salute domini melior habetur minister. * Qui de die ieiunant & nocte vigilat facile cadunt in melancholiam; & qui naturae modum excedunt, cap. 5. tract. 15. cap. 2. Longa famis tolerantia, ut is sepe accidit qui tanto cum fervore Deo servire cupiunt per ieiunium, quod maniaci efficiantur; ipse vidisse. * In tenui victu aegri delinquant, ex quo fit ut maiori afficiantur detrimento, maioriq. sit error tenui quam pleniore victu.

* Idem. strenuus potatoris Episcopi Sacellanus, cum ingentem patenam exhibuit princeps. * Bohemus in Saxonia, adeo immoderate & immodeste ab ipsis bibitur, ut in computationibus suis non cyathis solum & cantharis sat infundere possint, sed impleti mullae apponant & scutellam inieciā hortantur quomodo et ad libitum potare. * Dictu incredibile, quantum huiusce liquoris immodesta gens capiat; plus potantem amicissimum habent, &

SUBSEC. 3.

Custom of diet, Delight, Appetite, Necessity,
how they cause or hinder.

NO rule is so generall which admits not some exception: to this therefore which hath beene hitherto said, and all those inconueniences which proceed from the substance of meats, or intemperate and vnseasonable vse of them, custome somewhat detracts, & qualifies, according to that of Hippocrates, 2. Aphorif. 50. ^d Such things as wee haue beene long accustomed to, though they be euill in their owne nature; yet they are lesse offensive. Otherwise it might well be objected, that it were a meere ^e tyranny to liue after those strict rules of Physicke. For ^f custome doth alter nature itselfe, and to such as are vsed to them it makes bad meats wholesome, and vnseasonable times to cause no disorder. Cider and Perry are windy drinks, so are all fruits windy in themselves, cold most part, yet in some parts of ^g England, Normandy in France, Guipuscoa in Spaine, 'tis their common drinke, and they are no whit offended with it. In Spaine, Italy, and Africke, they liue most on roots, on raw hearbes, ^h Camels milke, and it agrees well with them, which to a stranger would cause much grievance. In wales, ⁱ lactitinijs vescuntur, as Humfry Lluyd confesseth, a Cambro-Brittaine himselfe

^d Que longo tempore consueta sunt, etiam si deteriora, minus in assuetis molestare solent. * Qui medicum vivit, misere vivit. ^e Consuetudo altera natura. ^f Herefordshire, Gloucestershire, Worcester. ^g Leo Afer, l. 1. solo camelorum lacte contenti, nil preterea delitiarum ambiunt.

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* Delectantur
Greci piscibus
magis quam
carnibus.

¹ Flandri vinū,
butiro dilutum
bibunt (nauseo
referens) ubiq;
butirum inter
omnia fercula
bellaria locum
obtinet. Stephan.
presat. Herod.
Lib. 1. bist.

Aug.

¹ P. Iovius de-
scrip. Britonum.
they sit, eat &
drinke all day
at dinner, in
Island, Muscovy
and those nor-
therne parts.

^m Expedit in
Sinas lib. 1. cap.

3. hortensium
barbarum & o-
lerum, apud Si-
nas quam apud
nos longe frequen-
tior usus, com-
plures quippe de
vulgo reperitis
nullā aliā re vel
tenuitatis vel
religionis causa
vescentes. Equus
mulus, asellus,
&c. equē fere
vescuntur ac pa-
bula omnia.

Mat. Riccius, 1.

3. cap. 12.

ⁿ Tartari mulis,
equis, vescuntur
& crudis carni-
bus, & fruges
contemnunt, di-
centes, hoc in-
ventorum pabu-
lum & boum,
non hominum.

^o Islindie de-
scriptione: victus
eorum butiro la-
cte, caseo, confi-
sit: pisces loco
panis habent, po-
tus aqua aut se-
rum, sic vivunt
sine medicina
multi ad annos
200.

^p Patagones.

^q Benso. & Fer. Cortesius lib. novus orbis inscripto.

^r Lips. Epist.

^s Brucrinus lib. 1. cap. 23.

^t Repentina mutationes noxam parant. Hippocrat. Aphorism. 21

in his elegant Epistle to *Abraham Ortelius*, They live most on whit-meats, in *Holland* on Fish, Roots, Butter: and so at this day in *Greece*, as * *Bellonius* ob-
serves, they had much rather feed on Fish then Flesh. With vs *Maxima pars*
victus in carne consistit, we feed on flesh most part, saith ^k *Polydor Virgil*, as all
northerne countries doe; and it would bee very offensive to vs; to live after
their diet, or they to live after ours. Wee drinke beere, they wine; they vse
oyle, we butter: we in the north are ^l great eaters, they most sparing in those
hotter countries: and yet they and wee following our owne customes, are
well pleased. In *China* the common people live in a manner altogether on
roots and hearbs, and to the wealthiest, Horse, Ass, Mule, Dogges, Cattes
flesh is as delightfome as the rest, as ^m *Mat. Riccius* the Iesuite relates, that
lived many yeares amongst them. The *Tartars* eat raw meat, and most com-
monly ⁿ horse flesh; drinke milke and bloud as the *Nomades* of old,

Et lac concretum cura sanguine potat equino.

They scoffe at our *Europeans* for eating bread, which they call tops of weeds,
and horse meat, not fit for men. And yet *Scaliger* accounts them a sound &
witty nation, living an hundred yeares; even in the civillist country of them
they doe thus, as *Benedict* the Iesuit observed in his travells from the great
Mogors Court by land to *Paquin*, which *Riccius* contendes to bee the same
with *Cambalu* in *Cataia*. In *Scandia* their bread is vsually dried fish, & so like-
wise in the *Shetland* Iles: And their other fare as in *Island*, saith ^o *Dithmarus*
Bleskenius, Butter, Cheese, and Fish; their drinke water, their lodging on the
ground. In *America* in many places their bread is roots, their meat *Palmi-*
tos, *Pinas*, *Potatos*, &c. and such fruits. With some, Fish, Serpents, Spiders;
and in some places they ^p eat mans flesh raw, & roasted, even the Emperour
^q *Metazuma* himselfe. In some places againe, ^r one tree yeelds them *Co-*
quernuts, meat and drinke, fire, fuell, apparell, with his leaves, oyle, vineger,
cover for houses, &c. And yet these men going naked, feeding course, live
commonly 100 yeares, and are seldome or neuer sick; all which diet our *Phy-*
sicians forbid. In *Westphalia* they feed most part on fatte meats and wourts,
knuckle deepe, and call it ^s *cerebrum Iouis*. In the Low countries with roots.
In *Italy* Frogges and Snails are vsed. The *Turkes*, saith *Brusbequius*, delight
most in fried meats. In *Muscovy* Garlicke and Onions, are ordinary meat &
sauce, al which would be pernicious to such as are vnaccustomed vnto them,
delightfome to others; and all is ^t because they haue beene brought vp vnto
it. Husbandmen and such as labour can eat salt, fat bacon, grosse meat, hard
cheese, &c. course bread at all times, and goe to bed and labour vpon a full
stomacke, which to some idle persons would be present death, and is against
all the rules of Physicke; so that custome is all in all. Our travellers finde this
by common experience when they come into farre countries, and vse their
diet, they are ^u suddainely offended, as our *Hollanders* and *Englishmen* when
they touch vpon the coasts of *Africke*, and those *Indian* Islands, are com-
monly molested with Calentures, Fluxes, and much distempered by reason
of their fruits. * *Peregrina, etsi suavia, solent vescentibus perturbationes insign-*
nes adferre, strange meats though pleasant, cause notable alterations and dis-

temper.

temper. On the other side vse and custome mitigates or makes all good againe. *Mitridates* by often vse, which *Pliny* wonders at, was able to drinke poyson; and a maid, as *Curtius* records, that was sent to *Alexander* from King *Porus*, was brought vp with poyson from her infancy. The *Turkes*, saith *Bellonius obseruat. lib. 3. cap. 15.* take *Opium* familiarly, a dramme at once, which we dare not take in graines. *J. Garcus ab Horto* writes of one, whom he saw at *Goa* in the *East Indies*, that tooke tenne drammes of *Opium* in three daies; and yet *Consulto loquebatur*, spake vnderstandingly: so much can custome doe. *Theophrastus* speaks of a Shepheard that could eate *Hellebor* in substance. And therefore *Cardan* concludes out of *Galen, consuetudinem vitiumq. ferendam, nisi valde malam.* Custome is howsoeuer to be kept, except it be extreame bad: and he aduiseeth all men to keepe their old customes, and to continue as they began, be it diet, bath, exercise, &c. or whatsoeuer else.

Another exception is Delight, or Appetite, to such and such meats. Though they be hard of digestion, melancholy: yet as *Fuchsius* excepts *cap. 6. lib. 2. Instit. sect. 2.* *The stomacke doth readily digest, and willingly entertaine such meats as we loue most, and are pleasing to vs, and abhorres on the other side such as we distast.* Which *Hippocrates* confirms *Aphorif. 6. 38.* Some cannot endure Cheese, out of a secret Antipathy, or to see a roasted Duck, which to others is a delightful meat.

The last exception is necessity, pouerty, want, hunger, which driues men many times to doe that which otherwise they are loath, cannot endure, and thankfully to accept of it: As Beuerage in ships, and in seiges of great Citties, to feed on Dogges, Cattes, Rats, and Men themselues. Three outlawes in *Hector Boethius* being driuen to their shifts, did eat raw fish & flesh of such fowle as they could catch, in one of the *Hebrides* for some few months. These things doe mitigate or disanull that which hath beene said of Melancholy meats, and make it more tolerable: but to such as are wealthy, liue plenteously, at ease, may take their choice, and refraine if they will, these meats are to be forborne, if they bee inclined to, or suspect melancholy, as they tender their healths: Otherwise if they be intemperate, or disordered in their diet, at their perill be it. *Qui monet amat, Ave & cave.*

SVBSEC. 4.

Retention and Evacuation a cause, and how.

OF Retention and Evacuation, there be diuerse kindes, which are either concomitant, assisting, or sole causes many times of melancholy. *Galen* reduceth defect and aboundance to his head; others, *all that is separated or remaines.* In the first ranke of these may well reckon vp Costiuenesse, and keeping in of our ordinary excrements, which as it often causeth other diseases, so this of Melancholy in particular. *Celsus lib. 1. cap. 3.* saith, it produceth inflammation of the head, dulnesse, cloudinesse, headache &c. *Prosper Calenus lib. de atrabile,* will haue it distemper, not the Organ onely, but the minde it selfe, by troubling of it: And sometimes it is a sole cause of Madnesse, as you may read in the first booke of *Skenkius* his medicinall obseruations, A yong Merchant going to *Nordeling Faire* in *Germany*, for ten dayes

Simpl. med. cap. 4. lib. 1.

Heurnius l. 3. cap. 19. prax. med.

In dubijs consuetudinem sequatur adolecens, & in captis perseueret.

Qui cum voluntate assumitur cibi, & entericulis audius complectitur, expeditiusq. concoquit, & que displicent auersatur.

Nothing against a good stomacke, as the saying is.

Lib. 7. hist. Scot.

30 artis. f. Que excernuntur aut subsistunt.

Costiuenesse. Ex ventre suppresso, inflammationes capitales, dolores, caliginos, crecant.

Excrementa retento, mentis agitationem parere solent.

Cap. de Mel.

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^k Tam delirus,
ut vix se homi-
nem agnosceret.
^l Alons astri-
ctus causa.

dayes space neuer went to stoole, at his returne he was ^k grievously melan-
choly, thinking that he was robbed, and would not be perswaded but that all
his money was gone: His friends thought he had some *Philurum* giuen him,
but *Cnelinus* a Physitian being sent for, found his ^l costiuenes alone to be the
cause, & thereupon gaue him a Clister, by which he was speedily recovered.
Trincavellius consult. 3. lib. 1. saith as much of a melancholy Lawyer, to who
he administred Physick. Other Retentions and Evacuations there are, not
simply necessary, but at some times, as *Fernelius* accompts them, *Path. lib. 1:*
cap. 15: as suppression of Hemrods, monthly issues in women, bleeding at
nose, immoderate vse, or no vse at all of *Venus*: or any other ordinary issues.

^m Sive perma-
res, sive hemor-
roides.

ⁿ Multi intem-
pestive ab Ha-
morroidibus
curati, melan-
cholia corrup-
ti sunt. Incidit in
Seyllam &c.

^o Lib. 1. de Ma-
nia.

^p Breviar. lib. 7.
cap. 18.

^q Non sine mag-
no incommodo
eius, cui sanguis
a naribus pro-
manat, noxii san-
guinis vacuatio
impediri potest.

^r Non quosdam
pre pudore a co-
itu abstinentes,
torpidos, pigrosq;
fastos: nonnullos
etiam melanchol-
licos preter mo-
dum mestos, ti-
midosq;.

^s Nonnulli nisi
coeant, assidue
capitis gravitate
infestantur.
dicit se novisse
quosdam tristes
& ita fastos ex
intermissione
Veneris.

^t Vapores vene-
natos mictit
sperma ad cor
& cerebrum.

^u Sperma plus diu
retentum, transit
in Venenum.

^v Graves pro-
ducit corporis
& animi egri-
tudines.

^x Ex spermate supra modum retento, monachos, & viduas melancholicos saepe fieri vidi.

^m Detention of hemrods, or monethly issues, *Villanovanus Breviar. lib. 1.*
cap. 18. *Arculanus cap. 16. in 9. Rhafis* *Vittorius Faventinus pract. mag. Tract. 2.*
cap. 15. *Brueel &c.* put for ordinary causes. *Fuschius lib. 2. sect. 5. cap. 30.* goes far-
ther, and saith, that ⁿ many men unseasonably cured of the hemrods, haue beene
corrupted with Melancholy, seeking to auoide Scilla, they fall into Charybdis. *Galen*
lib. de hum. commen. 3. ad text. 26. illustrates this by an example of *Lucius Mar-*
tius, whom he cured of madnesse, contracted by this meanes: And ^o *Skenkius*
hath two other instances of two Melancholy and mad women, so caused
from the suppression of their moneths. The same may be said of bleeding at
nose, if it be suddainly stoppt, and haue beene formerly vsed, as ^p *Villanovanus*
vrgerh; And ^q *Fuschius lib. 2. sect. 5. cap. 33.* stiffly maintaines, that without
great danger, such an issue may not be stayed.

Venus omitted, produceth like effects. *Mathiolus epist. 5. lib. penult. r* avou-
cheth of his knowledge, that some through bashfulnesse abstained from *Veneris*,
and thereupon became very heavy and dull: and some others that were very
timorous, melancholy, and beyond al measure sad. *Orbasius med. collect. lib. 6. cap.*
37. speakes of some, ^t that if they doe not vse carnall copulation, are continually
troubled with heavinesse and headach; and some in the same case by intermission
of it. Not vse of it hurts many, *Arculanus cap. 16. in 9. Rhafis*, & *Magninus part.*
3. cap. 5. thinke, because it ^u sends vp poysoned vapours to the Braine and Heart.
And so doth *Galen* himselve hold, that if this naturall Seede be ouer long kept
(in some parties) it turnes to poyson. *Hieronymus Mercurialis* in his Chapter
of Melancholy, cites this for an especiall cause of this malady, and of ^v *Pri-*
pismus, *Satyriasis* &c. *Haliabbas. 5. Theor. cap. 36.* reckons vp this and many
other diseases. *Villanovanus Breviar. lib. 1. cap. 18.* saith he knew ^x many monks,
and widowes grievously troubled with melancholy, and that from this sole cause.
Ælianus Montaltus cap. 27. de melanchol. confirms as much out of *Galen*:
so doth *Wierus*, and *Christopherus à Vega de art. med. lib. 3. cap. 14:* relate many
such examples of men, & ^y women, that he had scene so melancholy. *Felix*
Platter in the first booke of his obseruations, ^z tels a story of an ancient Gentle-
man in *Alsatia*, that ^a married a yong wife, and was not able to pay his debts in that
kinde for a long time together, by reason of his seuerall infirmities: but she because
of this inhibition of *Venus*, fell into a horrible fury, and desired euery one that
came to see her, by words, lookes, and gestures to haue to doe with her, &c. ^a *Bernar-*

^b Nobilis senex Alsatus, iuuenem uxorem duxit, at ille cholicho dolore, & multis morbis correptus, non potuit
prestare officium mariti, vix inita matrimonio egrotus. Illam horrendum furorem incidit, ob Venerem cohibitu, ut omni eam inui-
sentiū, congressum voce, vultu, gestu expeteret, & quum non consentirent, molossos Anglicanos expetere magno clamore. ^c Vidi
sacerdotem optimum & pium, qui quod nollet uti Venere, in melancholica symptomata incidit.

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dus Paternus a Phvsitian,saith, he knew a good honest godly Priest, that because he would neither marry,nor make vse of the Stewes, fell into grieuous melancholy fits.*Hildsheim spicel.* 2.hath such another instance of an Italian melancholy Priest,in a consultation had A° 1580.*Iason Pratenfis* giues instance in a married man,that after his wiues death abstaining,^b after marriage,became exceeding melancholy.To these you may adde, if you please,that conceited tale of a Jew,so visited in like sort,and so cured, out of *Poggins Florentinus*.

Intemperate *Venus* is all out as bad in the other extreame, *Galen lib.6. de morbis popular. sect.5.tert. 26.* reckons vp Melancholy amongst those diseases which are ^c exasperated by *Veneri*: so doth *Avicenna 2.3.cap.11.* *Oribasius loc. citat.* *Ficinus lib.2. de sanitate tuenda*, *Marsilius Cognatus*, *Montaltus cap. 27.* *Guianerius Tract. 15.cap.2.* *Magninus cap: 5: part: 3:* ^d giues the reason, because ^e it in frigidates and dryes vp the body, consumes the spirits; and would therefore haue all such as are cold & dry, to take heed of, and avoid it as a mortal enemy.*Iacchius in 9 Rhasis cap.15.* giues the same cause and instance in a Patient of his, that married a young wife in a hot Summer, ^f and so dried himselfe with chamber-worke, that he became in short space from melancholy, mad: he cured him by moistning remedies. The like example I finde in *Laelius a Fonte*, *Eugubinus consuli. 129.* of a Gentleman of Venice, that vpon the like occasion, was first melancholy, afterwards mad: Read the story at large.

Any other Evacuation stopped, will cause it, as well as these aboue named, be it bile, & vicer, issue, &c. *Hercules de Saxonia lib.1. cap.16.* & *Gordonius*, verifie this out of their experience. They saw one wounded in the head, who as long as the sore was open, *Lucida habuit mentis intervalla*, was well: but when it was stopped, redyt melancholia, his melancholy fit seized on him againe.

Artificiall Evacuations are much like in effect, as hote-houses, bathes, blood letting, purging, vnseasonably and immoderately vsed. ^h Bathes dry too much, if vsed in excessse, bee they naturall or artificiall, and offend extreame hote, or cold; one dries, the other refrigerates ouer much. *Montanus consil. 137.* saith, they ouer-heate the Liuer. *Ioh. Struthius Stigmat. artis lib: 4: cap: 9:* contends, ⁱ that if one stay longer then ordinary at the Bathe, or goe in too oft, or at vnseasonable times, he putrifies the humors in his body. To this purpose writes *Magninus lib.3: cap: 5:* *Guianerius Tract. 15: cap: 21:* vtterly disallowes all hot bathes in melancholy adust. ^l I saw (saith he) a man that laboured of the gout, who to be freed of his malady, came to the Bathe, and was instantly cured of his gout, but got another which was worse, and that was Madnesse. But this iudgment varies as the humor doth, in hote, or colde: Baths may be good for one Melancholy man, bad for another: that which may cure it in one party, may cause it in a second.

Phlebotomy, many times neglected, may doe much harme to the body, when there is a manifest redundance of bad humors, and melancholy blood; and when these humors heate and boyle, if this be not vsed in time, the parties affected, so inflamed, are in great danger to be mad; but if it be vnadvisedly, importunately, immoderately vsed, it doth as much harme by refrigerating the body, dulling the spirits, and consuming them: as *Ioh. Curio in his 10: chap:* well reprehends, such kinde of letting blood, doth more harme then good: ⁿ the humors rage much more then they did before, and is so farre from

^b Ob abstinentiam à concubitu incidit in melancholiam.

^c Quæ à coitis exacerbantur.

^d Superfluum coitum causans ponunt.

^e Exsiccat corpus, spiritus consumit &c. car. e. ant ab hoc seci, velut inimico mortali.

^f Ita exsiccat ut è melancholico statim fuerit insanus, ab humectantibus curatus.

^g Ex cauterio & ulcere exsiccat.

^h Gord cap.10. lib.1. discommends colde baths as noxious.

ⁱ Siccum reddunt corpus.

^k Si quis longius moretur in eis, aut nimis frequenter, aut importune uratur, humores putrefaciunt.

^l Ego anno superiore, quandam guttosum vidi adustum, qui ut liberaretur de gutta, ad balneum accessit, & de gutta liberatus, maniacus factus est.

^m Phlebotomy. On Scholia Salernitana.

ⁿ Calofactio & ebullitio per venæ incisionem, magis sepe incitatur & augeatur, maiore impetu humores per corpus decurrunt.

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o Lib. de statu-
lentia Melancho-
lii. Frequens
sanguinis missio,
corpus extenu-
at.

P In 9. Rhafis.
atram bilem pa-
rit, & visum
debilitat.

o Multo nigri-
or spectatur san-
guis post dies
quosdam, quam
fuit ab initio.

o Non laudo eos
qui in desipien-
tia, docent secun-
dam esse venam
frontis, quia spi-
ritus debilitatur
inde, & ego longam
experientiam observavi in proprio Xenodochio, quod desipientes ex phlebotomia magis leduntur, & magis desipiunt,
& melancholici sepe sunt inde peiores. Vires debilitat.

from avoiding melancholy, that it increaseth it, and weakeneth the sight. o Prosper Calenus obserues as much of all Phlebotomy, except they keepe a very good diet after it: Yea, and as P Leonartus Iacchinus speaks out of his owne experience, *q* the blood is much blacker to many men after their letting of blood, then it was at first. For this cause belike Salust. Salvinianus lib. 2: cap. 1: will admit or heare of no blood-letting at all in this Disease, except it bee manifest it proceede from blood: he was (it appeares) by his owne words in that place, Master of an Hospitall of mad men, *r* and found by long experience, that this kinde of evacuation either in head, or arme, or any other part, did more harme then good.

Purging vpward and downeward, in abundance of bad humors omitted, may be for the worst; so likewise as in the precedent, if it be ouer-much, or too frequent, or violent, it *s* weakeneth their strength, saith Fuchsius lib. 2. sect. 2. cap. 17. or if they be strong or able to endure Physick, yet it brings them to an ill habit, they make their bodies no better then an Apothecaries shop, and this, and such like infirmities must needs follow.

SVBSEC. 5.

Bad Aire a cause of Melancholy.

o Impurus aer,
spiritus deiecit,
Infecto corde
gignit morbos.

o Sanguinem
densat, & hu-
mores. lib. 1.
Patib. cap. 13.

o Lib. 3. cap. 3.

o Lib. de quar-
tana. Ex aere
ambiente con-
trahitur humor
melancholicus.

o Qualis aer,
talis spiritus, &
cuiusmodi spiri-
tus, humores.

o Alianus
Montaltus cap.

11. calidus &
siccus, frigidus
& siccus, palu-
dinosus, crassus.

o Multa hic in
Xenodochiis fa-
naticorum mil-
lia que strictissi-
me catenata
seruantur.

o Lib. med. par-
te 2. cap. 19.

o Intellige quod in
calidis regionibus, frequenter accidit maras, in frigidis autem tardè.

Aire is a cause of great moment, in producing this, or any other Dis-
ease, being that it is still taken into our bodies by respiration, and our
more inner parts. *r* If it be impure and foggy, it deiects the spirits, and
causeth Diseases by infection of the heart, as Paulus hath it lib. 1: cap. 49: Avicen-
na lib. 1. Gal. de san. tuenda. Mercurialis, Montaltus &c. *u* Fernelius saith, a thicke
aire thickeneth the blood and humors. *x* Lemnius reckons vp two maine things
most profitable, and most pernicious to our bodies, Aire, and Diet: and this
peculiar Disease, nothing sooner causeth (*y* Iobertus holdes) then the Aire,
wherein wee breathe and line. *†* Such as is the Aire, such be our spirits: and as
our spirits, such are our humors. It offends commonly if it be too *z* hote and
dry, or too cold and dry, thicke, fuliginous, cloudy, blustering, or a tempestu-
ous Aire. Bodine in his 5. booke de repub. cap. 1. and 5. of his method of histo-
ry, proues that hote Countries are most troubled with melancholy, and that
there are therefore in Spaine, Africke, and Asia minor, great numbers of mad
men, in so much that they are compelled in all Cities of note, to build pecu-
liar Hospitals for them: Leo *a* Afer lib. 3: de Fessâ urbe. Ortelius and Zuinger
confirme as much: and they are ordinarily so cholericke in their speeches,
that scarce two words passe without railing or chiding, in common talke,
and often quarrelling in their streetes. *b* Gordonius will haue euery man take
notice of it: Note this (saith he) that in hote countries it is farre more familiar,
then in cold. Although this be not alwayes true: for as *c* Acoſta truely saith, vn-
der the Æquator it selfe, is a most temperate habitation, wholesome Aire, a
Paradise of pleasure: the leaues euer greene, cooling showres. But it holdes
in such as are intemperately hote, as *d* Iohannes à Meggen, found in Cyprus,
e Lib. 2. *f* Rodopercum cap. 7.

others

others in *Malta*, *Apulia*, and the * *Holy land*, where at some seasons of the yeare is nothing but dust, their rivers dried vp, the Aire scorching hote, and Earth inflamed; in so much, that many Pilgrims going barefoot for Devotions sake, from *Ioppa* to *Ierusalem* vpon the hot sands, often run mad. * *Hercules de Saxonia* a Professor in *Venice*, giues this cause; why so many *Venetian* women are melancholy, *quod diu sub sole degant*, they tarry too long in the Sunne. *Montanus consil. 21.* amongst other causes, assigns this; why that *Iew* his Patient was mad, *quod tam multum exposuit se calori & frigori*, he exposed himselfe so much to heat and cold. And for that reason in *Venice*, there is little stirring in those brick-paved streetes in Sommer about noone, they are most part then a-sleepe: As they are likewise in the great *Mogors* Countries, and all ouer the *East Indies*. At *Aden* in *Arabia*, as *Lodovicus Vertomannus* relates in his trauels, they keepe their markets in the night, to avoid extremity of heat: and in *Ormuz*, like cattle in a Pasture, people of all sorts lye vp to the chinne in water all day long. At *Braga* in *Portugall*; *Burgos* in *Castile*; *Messina* in *Sicily*; all ouer *Spaine* and *Italy*, their streetes are most part narrow, to avoide the Sunne beames. The *Turkes* weare great *Turbants*, *ad fugandos solis radios*, to refract the Sunne beames; and much inconvenience, that hote Aire of *Bantam* in *Iaua*, yeeldes to our men, that sojourne there for traffick, where it is so hote, & that they that are sicke of the *Pox*, lye commonly bleaching in the Sunne, to dry vp their sores. Such a complaint I read of those Isles of *Cape Verde*, 14. degrees from the *Equator*, they doe male audire: † one calls them the vnhealthiest Clime of the World, for fluxes, feauers, frenzies, Calentures, which commonly seaze on Sea-faring men, which touch at them, and all by reason of an hote distemperature of the Aire. The hardiest men are offended with this heat, and stiffest Clownes cannot resist it, as *Constantine* affirmes *agricult. lib. 2. cap. 45.* They that are naturally borne in such Aire, cannot ^h endure it, much lesse weakelings and strangers. *Amatus Lusitanus. cent. 1. curat. 45.* records of a yong maide, that was one *Vincent* a Curriers Daughter, some 13. yeares of age, that would wash her haire in the heat of the day (in *Iuly*) and so let it dry in the Sunne, ⁱ to make it yellow, but by that meanes tarrying too long in the heat, shee inflamed her head, and made her selfe mad.

Cold Aire in the other extreame, is almost as bad as hote, and so doth *Montaltus* esteeme of it *cap. 11.* if it be dry withall. In those Northerne Countries, the people are therefore generally dull, heauy, & many witches, which (as I haue before quoted) *Saxon Grammaticus*, *Olaus*, *Baptista Porta* ascribe to melancholy. But these cold Climes are more subiect to naturall melancholy (not this artificiall) which is cold and dry: For which cause my worthy Countreman ^h *Mercurius Britannicus* belike, puts melancholy men to inhabite iust vnder the Pole. The worst of the three is a ⁱ thick, cloudy, misty, foggy Aire, or such as comes from fennes, moorish grounds, lakes, muckhils, draughts, sinkes, where any filthy carcasses or carrion lies, or from whence any stinking fulsome smell comes: *Galen*, *Avicenna*, *Mercurialis*, new and old Physitians, hold that such Aire is vnwholesome, and ingenders melancholy, plagues, and what not? ^m *Alexandreta* an haue towne in the Mediterranean Sea, is much condemned for a bad Aire, so is *Durazzo* in *Albania*, *Lituania*, *Ditmarsh*, *Pomptina paludes* in *Italy*, the territories about

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* *Apuleia* effi-
vo calore maxi-
me seruet, ita
ut ante finem
May pene ex-
usta sit.
† *Pantheo* seu
Pract. Med. lib.
1. cap. 16. *Vene-*
te mulieres, que
diu sub sole vi-
vunt, aliquando
melancholicæ e-
vadunt.
† *Navig. lib. 2.*
cap. 4. comney-
cia nocte, hora
secunda, ob ni-
mios, qui servi-
unt interdum, a-
stus exercent.

§ *Morbo Galli-*
co la' orantes,
exponunt ad so-
lem, ut morbos
exsiccent.
† *St Richard*
Haukins in his
observations,
sect. 13;

^h *Hippocrates*
3. *Aphorismorū*
idem ait.

ⁱ *Quum ad solis*
radios in leone
longim morant
traheret, ut ca-
pillos flavos red-
deret, in mani-
ans incidit.

^h *Mundus alius*
& idem, seu
Terra Australis
incognita.
ⁱ *Crausus* & *tur-*
bidus aer, tri-
stem efficit ani-
mam.

^m Commonly
called *Scanda-*
rene in *Asia*
minor.

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Pisa, Ferrara, &c. Rummy marsh with vs; the Hundreths in Essex, the Fennes in Lincolneshire. Cardan de rerum varietate, lib. 17. cap. 96. findes fault with the site of those rich, and most populous Cities in the Low Countreyes, as Bruges, Gant, Amsterdam, Leyden, Vtrecht &c: the Aire is bad; and so at Stockholme in Sweden; Regium in Italy: our Salisbury, and Linne: They may be commodious for navigation, this new kinde of fortification, and many other good necessary vses; but are they so wholesome? Old Rome hath descended from the hils, to the Valley; and 'tis the site of most of our new Cities, and held best to build in plaines, to take the opportunity of Rivers. Leander Albertus pleades hard for the Aire and site of Venice, though the black moorish sands appeare at euery low water; the Sea, Fire, and Smoake (as he thinkes) qualifie the Aire: and some suppose, that a thick foggy Aire helps the Memory, as in them of Pisa in Italy; and our Camden out of Plato, commends the site of Cambridge, because it is so neare the Fennes. But let the site of such places be as it may, how can they be excused that haue a delicious fear, a pleasant Aire, and all that Nature can afford, and yet through their own nastinesse and sluttishnesse, immund, and sordide manner of life, suffer their Aire to putrifie, and themselues to be choaked vp? Many Cities in Turkie doe male audire in this kind: Constantinople it selfe, where commonly carrion lyes in the street. Some finde the same fault in Spaine, euen in Madrit the Kings seat, a most excellent Aire, a pleasant site; but the Inhabitants are slo- uens, and the streets vncleanly kept.

A troublesome tempestuous Aire is as bad, as impure, rough and foule weather, impetuous windes, cloudy darke dayes, as it is commonly with vs, *cælum visu fædum*,^o Polidore calls it, a filthy sky, & in quo facile generantur nubes: as Tullyes Brother Quintus wrote to him in Rome, being then Quæstor in Britaine. In a thick and cloudy Aire (saith Lemnius) men are tetricke, sad, and peeuish: and if the westerne windes blow; and that there be a calme, or a faire sunshine day, there is a kinde of alacrity in mens minds, it cheares vp men & beasts: but if it be a turbulent, rough, cloudy, stormy weather, men are sad, lumpish, and much deiected, angry, waspish, dull, and melancholy. This was P Virgils experi- ment of old:

*Verum ubi tempestas, & cæli mobilis humor,
Mutauere vices, & Iupiter humidus Austro,
Vertuntur species animorum, & pectore motus
Concipiunt alios* —

But when the face of Heauen changed is

To tempests, raine, from season faire:

Our mindes are altered, and in our breasts,

Forthwith some new conceipts appeare.

And who is not weather-wise against such and such coniunctions of Pla- nets, moued in foule weather, dull and heauy in such tempestuous seasons? *Gelidum contristat Aquarius annum*: the time requires, and the Autumne breeds it; winter is like vnto it, vgly, foule, squalid, the Aire workes on all men, more or lesse; but especially on such as are melancholy, or inclined to it, as Lemnius holdes, they are most moued with it, and those which are already mad, rane downe-right, either in, or against a tempest. Besides, the diuell many times takes his opportunity of such stormes, and when the humors by the Aire bee stirred,

ⁿ Atlas Geo-
graphicus. me-
morit valent
Pisani, quod
crassiore finan-
tur acre.

^o Lib. 1. Hist.
Lib. 2. cap. 41.
Aura densa ac
caliginosa, et i-
ci hominis exi-
stunt, & subtri-
stet. & cap. 3.
flante sub plano
& Zephyro, ma-
xima in menti-
bus hominum a-
lacritas existit,
mentisq; erectio
ubi cælum solis
splendore nite-
cit. Maxima
deiectio, mor-
rosq; si quando
aura caliginosa
est.

P. Georg.

¹ Hor.

² Mens quibus
vacillat ab aere,
cito offendun-
tur, & multi
insani apud Bel-
gas ante tempe-
states seruiunt,
aliter quieti.
Spiritus quoque
aeris, & mali
genij aliquando
se tempestatibus
ingerunt, &
menti humane
se latenter, insi-
nuant, eamq;
vexant, exagi-
tant, & ut flus-
tus marini,
humani corpus
ventis agi-
tatur.

stirred, hee goes in with the Aire, and exagitates our spirits, and vexeth our Soules: and as the Sea waues, so are the spirits and humors in our bodies, tossed with tempestuous windes and stormes. To such as are melancholy therefore, Montanus consil. 24. will haue tempestuous and rough Aire to be avoided: & consil. 27. all night aire, and would not haue them to walke abroad, but in a pleasant day. Lemnius lib. 3. cap. 3. discommends the South and Easterne windes; commends the North. Montanus consil. 31. ^f will not any windowes to be opened in the night. Consil. 229. & consil. 230. he discommends especially the South winde, and nocturnall Aire: So doth ^t Plutarch, The night and darknesse makes men sad, so doe all subterranean vaults, darke houses in caues and rocks, desert places cause melancholy in an instant, especially such as haue not beene vsed to it, or otherwise accustomed. Read more of Aire in Hippocrates, ^e Aetius lib. 3. à capit. 171. ad 175. Oribasius à cap. 1. ad 22. Avicenna lib. 1. can. Fen. 2. doc. 2. Fen. 1. cap. 123. to the 12 & c.

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Acv noctu
densatur, & co-
git mœstiam.
^t Lib. de l'ide
& Ofryde.

SVRSBC. 6.

Immoderate Exercise a cause, and how.
Solitarinesse, Idlenesse.

Nothing so good, but it may be abused: nothing better then Exercise (if opportunely vsed) for the preservation of the Body: nothing so bad, if it be vnseasonable, violent, or ouermuch. Fernelius out of Galen, Path. lib. 1. cap. 16. saith, ^u that much exercise and wearinesse, consumes the spirits and substance, refrigerates the body; and such humors which Nature would haue otherwise concocted and expelled, it stirres up, and makes them rage: which being so enraged, diuersly affect, and trouble the body and minde. So doth it, if it be vnseasonably vsed, vpon a full stomacke, or when the body is full of crudities, which Fuschius so much inueighes against, lib. 2. instit. sec. 2: cap. 4: giuing that for a cause, why boyes in Germany are so often scabbed, because they vse exercise presently after meates. ^x Bayerus puts in a caveat against such exercise, because it ^y corrupts the meat in the stomacke, and carries the same iuyce raw, and as yet vudigested, into the veines (saith Lemnius) which there putrifies, and confounds the animall spirits. Crato consil. 21. lib. 2: ^z exclaimes against all such exercise after meat, as being the greatest enemy to concoction that may be, and cause of corruption of humors, which produce this, and many other diseases. Not without good reason then, doth Salust. Saluianus lib. 2. cap. 1: and Leonartus Iacchinus in 9. Rhafis. Mercurialis. Arculanus, and many other, set downe ^a immoderate exercise, as a most forcible cause of melancholy.

^u Multa defatigatio, spiritus, vni mgi substantiam exbau-rit, & corpus refrigerat. Humores corruptos, qui aliter à natura concoqui & domari possent, & demum blandè excludi, irritat, & quasi in furorem agit, qui postea à motu camerinâ tetro vapore corpus variè lacerant, animûq; ^x In Veni mecum. Libro sic inscripto. ^y Instit. ad vir. Christi. cap. 44. cibos crudos in venas rapit, qui putrescentes illic, spiritus animales inficiunt. ^z Crudi hæc humoris copia per venas aggreditur, unde morbi multiplices. ^a Immodicum exercitium.

Opposite to Exercise is Idlenesse, or want of Exercise, the bane of body and minde, the chiefe author of all mischief, one of the seauen deadly sins, and a sole cause of this & many other maladies, the Diuells cushion, as ^b Gualter calls it, his pillow, and chiefe reposall. For the mind can neuer rest, but still meditates on one thing or other, except it bee occupied about some ho-

^b Hom. 31 in 1. Cor. 6. Nam quum mens hominis quiescere non possit, sed continuò circa varias cogitationes discurret, nisi bonestio aliquo negotio occupetur, ad Melancholiam sponte delabitur.

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^c Crato consil. 21. *Ut immo- dica corporis exercitatio, nocet corporibus, ita vitia deficiunt, & otiosa: otium animalis primus reddit, viscerum obstructions, & crebras fluxiones, & morbos concitat.*

^d Et vidi quoddam de rebus que magis generat Melancholiam, est otiositas.

^e Reponitur otium ab alijs causis, & hoc a nobis observatum, eos huic malo magis obnoxios, qui plene otiosi sunt, quam eos qui aliquo munere versantur exequendo.

^f De tranquillitate anime. Sunt quos ipsum otium in animi concipit aegritudinem.

^g Nihil est quoddam Melancholiam aliat ac auget, ac otium & abstinentia a corporis & animi exercitiis.

^h Nihil magis exacerbat intellectum, quam otium. Gordonius de observat. vit. lib. 1.

ⁱ Path. lib. 1. ca. 17. exercitatio intermissa, inertem calorem languidos spiritus & ignavos, & ad omnes actiones, se invicem reddit: cruditates, obstructions, & excrementorum proventus facit.

^k Hor. Ser. 1. Sat. 3.

^l Seneca. ^m Macorem animi, & maciem Plutarch calls it. ⁿ Sicut in stagnis generantur vermes, sic & otioso male cogitationes. Seneca.

nest businesse, of his owne accord it rusheth into melancholy. ^c As too much and violent exercise offends on the one side, so doth an idle life on the other (saith Crato) it fills the body full of fleagme, grosse humors, and all manner of obstructions, rhumes, catarrhes, &c. Rhasis cont. lib. 1. tract. 9. accounts of it as the greatest cause of Melancholy: ^d I have often seene (saith he) that Idleness begets this humour more then anything else. Montaltus cap. 1. seconds him, ^e out of his experience, that they that are idle, are farre more subiect to melancholy, then such as are conuersant or employed about any office or businesse. ^f Plutarch reckons vp Idleness for a sole cause of the sickness of the Soule: There are they (saith he) troubled in mind, that haue no other cause but this. Homer, Iliad. 1. brings in Achilles eating of his owne heart in his Idleness, because he might not fight. Mercurialis consil. 86. for a melancholy young man vrgeth it as a chiefe cause; why was he melancholy? because idle. Nothing begets it sooner, encreaseth and continueth it oftner then Idleness. A disease familiar to all idle persons, an inseparable companion to such as liue at ease, a life out of action, and haue no calling or ordinary imployment to busie themselves about, that haue little businesse, and though they haue, such is their laziness, they will not compose themselves to it. Especially if they haue beene formerly brought vp to businesse, and vpon a sudden come to lead a sedentary life, it crucifies their soules, and seazeth on them in an instant: And is such a torture, that as wise Seneca well saith, *malo mihi male quam molliter esse*: I had rather be sicke then Idle. This Idleness is either of body or minde. That of body is nothing but a kinde of benumbing laziness, intermitting Exercise, which if we may beleue ⁱ Fernelius, causeth crudities, obstructions, excrement all humours, quencketh the naturall heate, dulls the spirits, and makes them vnapt to doe any thing what soeuer.

^k Neglectis vrenda filix innascitur agris.

As Ferne growes in vntill'd grounds, and all manner of weeds, so doe grosse humours in an idle body, Ignauum corrumpunt otia corpus. A horse in a stable that neuer traueles, a hawke in a mew that neuer flies, are both subiect to diseases, which left vnto themselves are most free from any such incumbrances. An idle Dogge will be mangie, and how shall an idle person thinke to escape? Idleness of the minde is much worse then this of the body: witte without imployment is a disease. ^l *Erugo animi, rubigo ingenij*: the rust of the Soule, ^m a plague, a hell it selfe, *maximum animi nocumentum*, Galen calls it. ⁿ As in a standing poole, wormes and filthy creepers increase; so doe euill and corrupt thoughts in an idle person. In a Commonwealth where there is no publike enimie, there is likely ciuill warres, and they rage vpon themselves: & this body of ours when it is idle, and knowes not how to bestow it selfe, macerates and vexeth it selfe with cares, griefes, false feares, and suspicions, it tortures and preyes vpon his owne bowels, & is neuer at rest. This much I dare boldly say, that he or she that is idle, bee they of what condition they will, neuer so rich, so well allied, fortunate, happy, let them haue all things in abundance, all felicity that heart can wish & desire, all contentment, so long as hee or shee, or they are idle, they shall neuer bee pleased. Well they may build castles in the ayre for a time, and sooth vp themselves with phantasti-

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call humours, but in the end they will proue as bitter as gall, they shall be still discontent, suspicious, & fearefull, iealous, sad, fretting, and vexing of themselves: so long as they be idle, it is vnpossible to please them. *Otio qui nescit* *uti, plus habet negotij, quam qui negotium in negotio*: as that *Agellius* could obserue; Hee that knowes not how to spend his time, hath more businesse, care, griefe, and anguish of minde, then hee that is most busie in the midst of all his businesse: *Ociosus animus nescit quid velit*: An idle person (as hee folloves it) knowes not when he is well, or what he would haue, or whether he would goe, *quum illuc ventum est, illinc lubet*, he is tired out with euery thing displeased with all, weary of his life: *nec bene domi, nec militia*, neither at home, nor abroad, *errat, & prater vitam uiuitur*, he wanders, & liues besides himselfe. In a word, what the mischieuous effects of Lazinesse and Idlenesse are, I doe not find any where more accurately exprest, then in these Verses of *Philolaches* in the Comickall Poet, which for their elegancy, I will in part insert.

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Prou. 18. Pigrum deiciet timor.
Heautontimorumenos.
Lib. 19. cap. 10

† Plautus prolog. mostellat.

*Novarum adium esse arbitror similem ego hominem,
Quando hic natus est: ei rei argumenta dicam.
Ædes quando sunt ad amussim expolite,
Quisq; laudat fabrum atq; exemplum expetit, &c.
At ubi illo migrat nequam homo indiligensq; &c.
Tempestas venit, confringit tegulas, imbricesq;
Putrefacit aer operam fabri, &c.
Dicam ut homines similes esse adium arbitremini,
Fabri parentes fundamentum substruunt liberorum;
Expoliunt, docent literas, nec parcunt sumptui,
Ego autem sub fabrorum potestate frugi fui,
Postquam autem migraui in ingenium meum,
Perdidi operam fabrorum illico, oppido,
Venit ignavia; ea mihi tempestas fuit,
Aduentusq; suo grandinem & imbrem attulit,
Illa mihi virtutem deturbauit, &c.*

A young man is like a faire new house, the Carpenter leaues it well built, in good repaire, of solid stuffe; but a bad tenant lets it raine in, and for want of reparation fall to decay, &c. Our Parents, Tutors, Friends, spare no cost to bring vs vp in our youth, in all manner of vertuous education; but when we are left to our selues, Idlenesse as a tempest driues out all vertuous motions out of our mindes, & *nihili sumus*, on a sudden, by sloth and such bad waies, we come to naught.

Cosen German to Idlenes, & a concomitating cause, which goes hand in hand with it, is *nimia solitudo*, too much solitarinesse, by the testimony of all Physicians, Cause & Symptome both: but as it is here put for a cause, it is either coact, enforced, or else voluntarie. Enforced solitarinesse is commonly seene in Students, Monks, Friars, Anchorites, that by their order & course of life, must abandon all company, and society of other men, & betake themselves to a priuate cell, *Otio superstitioso seclusi*, as our *Bale* and *Hospinian* wel tearmes it, such as are the *Carthusians* of our time, that eat no flesh (by their order) keepe perpetuall silence, neuer goe abroad. Such as liue in prison, or in some desert place, and cannot haue company, as many of our countrey

Gentlemen

† Piso, Mentalis, Mercurialis &c.

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Gentlemen doe in solitary houses, they must either be alone without companions, or liue beyond their meanes, and entertaine all commers, as so many hostes, or else converse with their seruants and hindes, such as are vnequall, inferiour to them, and of a contrary disposition; or else, as some doe, to auoid solitarinesse, spend their time with lewd fellowes in Tauernes, and in Ale-houses, and thence addiect themselues to some vnlawfull disports, or dissolute courses. Some againe are cast vpon this rock of solitarinesse for want of meanes, or out of a strong apprehension of some infirmity, disgrace, or through bashfullnesse, rudenesse, simplicity, they cannot apply themselues to others company. This enforced solitarinesse takes place, and produceth this effect soonest in such, as haue spent their time Iouially peradventure in all honest recreations, in all good company, and are vpon a sudden confined, and restrained of their liberty, and barred from their ordinary associats: solitarinesse is very irkesome to such, most tedious, and a sudden cause of great inconvenience.

^f A quibus malum, velut à primaria causa, occasionem nacti est.

^g Iucunda rerum presentium, præteritarum, et futurarum meditationis.

^h Facilis descensus Averni: Sed revocare gradū, superasq; evadere ad auras, Hic labor, hoc opus est. Virg.
ⁱ Hieronymus epist. 72. dixit oppida & urbes videri sibi tetras carceres: solitudo Paradisus: solum scorpionibus insectum, sacco amictus, humi cubans, aqua & herbis vivitans, Romanis prætulit delitiis.

Voluntary solitarinesse is that which is familiar with Melancholy, and gently brings on like a Siren, a shooing-horne, or some Sphinx to this irrevocable gulf, ^f a primary cause *Piso* calls it: most pleasant it is at first, to such as are Melancholy giuen, to lye in bed whole dayes, and keep their chambers, to walke alone in some solitary groue, betwixt wood and water, by some brooke side, and to meditate vpon some delightfome and pleasant subiect, which shall affect them most; *amabilis insania*, and *mentis gratissimus error*. A most incomparable delight, to build castles in the ayre, to goe smiling to themselues, acting an infinite variety of parts, which they suppose, & strongly imagine they act, or that they see acted and done; *Blandæ quidem ab initio*, saith *Lemnius*, to conceaue and meditate of such pleasant things, sometimes, *present, past, or to come*, as *Rhasis* speakes. So delightfome these toyes are at first, they could spend whole dayes and nights without sleepe, even whole yeares alone in such contemplations, and phanrastricall meditations, which are like so many dreames, and will hardly be drawne from them, winding and unwinding themselues as so many clocks, and still pleasing their humours, vntill at last the Sceane turnes vpon a sudden, & they being now habituated to such meditations & solitary places, can endure no company, can like of nothing but harsh and distastfull subiects. Feare, sorrow, suspicion, *subrusticus pudor*, discontent, cares, and wearinesse of life, surprise them on a sudden, and they can thinke of nothing else: continually suspecting, no sooner are their eyes open, but this infernall plague of Melancholy seizeth on them, and terrifies their soules, representing some dismall obiect to their minds, which now by no meanes, no labour, no perswasions they can auoid, *heret lateri lethalis arundo*, they cannot be rid of it, ^u they cannot resist. I may not deny but that there is some profitable Meditation, Contemplation, and kinde of solitarinesse to be embraced, which the Fathers so highly commend, ^x *Hierome*, *Chrysostome*, *Cyprian*, *Anstin*, in whole Tracts, which *Petrarch*, *Erasmus*, *Stella*, and others so much magnifie in their bookes; a Paradise, a Heauen on earth, if it be vsed aright, good for the body, and better for the Soule: As many of those old Monkes vsedit, to diuine contemplations, as *Simulus* a Courtier in *Adrians* time, *Dioclesian* the Emperour retired themselues &c. Or the bettering of their knowledge, as *Democritus*, *Cleanthes*,

thes, and all those excellent Philosophers haue euer done, to sequester themselves from the tumultuous world, or as *Plinies villa Lanretana*, *Tullies Tusculane*, *Iovins* study, that they might better *vacare studijs & Deo*, serue God, and follow their studies. These men are neither solitary nor idle, as the Poet made answer to the husbandman in *Æsop*, that objected Idleness to him: hee was neuer so idle, as in his company: or that *Scipio Africanus* in *Tully*, *Nunquam minus solus, quam quàm solus; nunquam minus otiosus, quam quum esset otiosus*: neuer lesse solitary then when he was alone neuer more busie then when he seemed to bee most idle. But it is farre otherwise with these men, according to *Seneca*, *omnia nobis mala solitudo persuadet*, this solitude vndoeth vs, *pugnat cum vitâ socialis*, tis a destructive solitarines. These men are Diuells alone, as the saying is, *homo solus aut Dem, aut Demon*: a man alone is either a Saint, or a Diuell, *mens eius aut languescit, aut tumescit*, and * *va soli* in this sense, woe be to him that is so alone. These men degenerate from men, & from sociable creatures, become beasts, monsters, inhumane, vgly to behold, *Misanthropi*: they doe euen loath them selues, and hate the company of men, as so many *Timons*, *Nabuchadnezzars*: by too much indulging to these pleasing humours, and through their owne default. So that which *Mercurialis consil. 11*. sometimes expostulated with his melancholy patient, may be iustly applyed to euery solitary and idle person in particular.

* *Natura de te videtur conqueri posse &c.* Nature may iustly complaine of: hee that whereas she gaue thee a good wholesome temperature, a sound body, and God hath giuen thee so diuine and excellent a soule, so many good parts, and profitable gifts, thou hast not only contemned and reiected, but hast corrupted them, polluted them, ouerthrowne thy temperature, and peruered those gifts with riot, idleness, solitarinesse, and many other wayes, thou art a traitor to God and Nature, an enemy to thy selfe, and to the world. *Perditio tua ex te*: thou thy selfe art the efficient cause of thine owne misery, by not resisting such vaine cogitations, but giuing way vnto them.

Offe. 3.

Ecclef. 4.

* *Natura de te videtur conqueri posse, quod cum ab ea temperatissimum corpus adeptus sis, tam preslarum à Deo ac utile donum non contempsisti modo, verum corrupisti, sedasti, prodidisti, optimam temperaturam otio, crapula & alijs vitæ erroribus, &c.*

SVESSE. 7.

Sleeping and waking causes.

WHAT I haue formerly said of Exercise, I may now repeat of Sleep. Nothing better then moderate Sleepe, nothing worse then it, if it be in extreames, or vnseasonably vsed. It is a receaued opinion, that a melancholy man cannot sleepe ouermuch, *Somnus supra modum prodest*, it is an only Antidote, and nothing offends them more, or causeth this malady sooner, then Waking: yet in some cases Sleepe may doe more harme then good, in that flegmaticke, swinish, cold, and sluggish Melancholy, that *Melancthon* speaks of, that thinkes of waters, sighing most part &c.

* It dulls the Spirits, if ouer-much, and senses, and fills the head full of grosse humors, causeth distillations, rheumes, and great store of excrements in the braine, and all the other parts, as *Fuchsius* speaks of them, that sleepe like so many Dormice. Or if it be vsed in the day time, or vpon a full stomacke, the body ill composed to rest, or after hard meats it increaseth fearefull dreames, Incubus, night walking, crying out, and much vnquiennesse: such

* *Path. lib. 1. cap. 17. Fernel. corpus infrigidat omnes sensus, mentisq. vires torpore debilitat*

b *Lib 2. sect. 2. cap. 4. Magnam excrementorum vim cerebro & alijs partibus congregat.*

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sleepe prepares the body, as ^c one obserues, to many perillous diseases. But as I haue said, waking ouer much, is both a symptome, and an ordinary cause. It causeth drinesse of the Braine, frensie, dotage, and makes the body dry, leane, hard, and vgly to behold, as ^d Lemnius hath it. The temperature of the Braine is corrupted by it, the humours adust, the eyes made to sinke into the head, choler increased, and the whole body inflamed: and, as may bee added out of Galen 3. de sanitate tuenda, Avicenna 3. 1. ^e it ouerthrowes the naturall heat, it causeth crudities, and hurts concoction, & what not? Not without good cause therefore Crato consil. 2. 1. lib. 2. Hildisheim spicel. 2. de delir. & Mania. Iacchius, Arculanus on Rhasis, Guianerius, and Mercurialis, reckon vp this ouermuch waking, as a principall cause.

^c Io. Katzim. l. de rebus 6. non naturalibus, preparat corpus talis somnus ad multas periculosas aegritudines. ^d In sit. ad vitam optimam cap. 26. cerebro ficitatem adfert, phrenesin & delirium corpus aridum facit, squalidum, siccum, humores adurit, temperamentum cerebri corrumpit, maciem inducit: exsiccat corpus, bilem accendit, profundos reddit oculos, calorem auget.

^e Naturalem calorem dissipat lesa concoctione cruditates facit. Attenuant inueniunt vigilare corpora n. Etes.

MEMB. 3.

SUBSEC. I.

Passions and perturbations of the Minde,
how they cause Melancholy.

Vita Alexan.

Grad. 1. 5. 14.

^h Perturbationes clavi sunt, quibus corpori animus seu patibulo affigitur. Lamb. de mist. ⁱ Lib. de sanitat. tuend. ^k Prolog. de virtute Christi. Quae utitur corpore, ut faber malleo. ^l Vit. Apollonij. lib. 1. ^m Lib. de anim. ab inconsiderantia, & ignorantia, omnes animi motus. ⁿ De Physiol. Senec. ^o Grad. 1. c. 32.

AS that Gymnosophist in ^f Plutarch, made answer to Alexander, (demanding which spake best) Euery one of his fellowes did speake better then the other: so may I say of these causes; to him that shall require which is the greatest, euery one is more grieuous then other, and this of Passion the greatest of all. A most frequent and ordinary cause of Melancholy, & fulmen perturbationum (as Piccolominius calls it) this thunder & lightning of perturbation, which causeth such violent and speedy alterations in this our Microcosme, and many times subverts the good estate and temperature of it. For as the Body workes vpon the Minde, by his bad humors, disturbing the Spirits, sending grosse fumes into the Braine; and so per consequens disturbing the Soule, and all the faculties of it, with feare, sorrow &c. which are ordinary symptomes of this Disease: so on the other side, the Minde most effectually workes vpon the Body, producing by his passions & perturbations, miraculous alterations; as Melancholy, despaire, cruell diseases, and sometimes death it selfe. In so much, that it is most true which Plato saith in his Charmides: omnia corporis mala ab anima procedere; all the mischiefes of the Body, proceede from the Soule: and as Democritus in ⁱ Plutarch vrgeth, Damnatam iri animam a corpore, if the Body should in this behalfe, bring an action against the Soule, surely the soule would be cast and convicted; that by her supine negligence, had caused such inconveniences, hauing authority ouer the Body, and vsing it for an instrument, as ^a Smith doth his hammer (saith ^k Cyprian) imputing all those vices and maladies to the Minde. Euen so doth ^l Philostratus, non coinquatur corpus nisi consensu anima; the Body is not corrupted, but by the Soule. ^m Lodo. Vives wil haue such turbulent commotions proceede from Ignorance, and Indiscretion. All Philosophers impute the miseries of the Body to the Soul, that should haue gouerned it better, by command of Reason, & hath not done it. The Stoicks are altogether of opinion, (as ⁿ Lipsius, and ^o Piccolominius record) that a wise

wise man should be *amans*, without all manner of passions and perturbations whatsoever, as P Seneca reports of Cato, the ¹ Greekes of Socrates, and ¹ Io. Aubanus of a nation in Africke, so free from passion, or rather so stupid, that if they be wounded with a sword, they will onely looke backe. ¹ Lactantius 2. *instit.* will exclude all feare from a wise man: others except all, some the greatest passions. But let them dispute how they will, set downe in *Thesi*, giue precepts to the contrary; we finde that of ¹ Lemnius true, by common experience; *No mortall man is free from these perturbations*: or if he be so, sure he is either a God, or a block. They are borne & bred with vs, we haue them from our parents by inheritance, *à parentibus habemus malum hunc affem*, saith ¹ Pelezius, *nascitur unà nobiscum, aliturg*; tis propagated from Adam, Cain was melancholy, ¹ as Austin hath it, and who is not? Good discipline, Education, Philosophy, Divinity (I may not deny) may mitigate & restraîne these passions in some few men at some times, but most part they domineere and are so violent, * that like a torrent, (*torrens velut aggere rupto*) beares downe all before, and ouerflowes his bankes, *sternit agros, sternit sata*, they ouerwhelme Reason, Iudgement, and pervert the temperature of the Body. *Fertur equis auriga, nec audit citruss habens*. Now such a man (saith Austin) that is soled ² in a wise mans eye, is no better then he that stands upon his head. It is doubted by some, *grauioresne morbi à perturbationibus, an ab humoribus*, whether humors, or perturbations, cause the more grieuous maladies. But we finde that of our Sauour *Mat. 26. 41.* most true, *The Spirit is willing, the flesh is weake*, we cannot resist. And that of a Philo Iudeus, *Perturbations most offend the body, and are most frequent causes of Melancholy, turning it out of the hinges of his health*. Vives compares them to Windes upon the Sea, some onely moue as those great gales, but some turbulent, quite ouerturne the ship. Those which are light and easie, and more seldome, to our thinking, doe vs little harme, and are therefore contemned of vs: Yet if they be reiterated, ¹ as the raine (saith Austin) doth a stone, so doe these perturbations penetrate the minde: ¹ and (as one obserues) produce an habite of Melancholy at the last, and hauing got the mastery in our soules, may well be called Diseases.

How these passions produce this effect, ¹ Agrippa hath handled at large, *occult. Philos. lib. 1. cap. 63. Cardan. lib. 14. subtil. Lemnius lib. 1. cap. 12. de occult. nat. mir. & lib. 1. cap. 16. Suarez. Met. dissut. 8. sect. 1. art. 25. T. Bright cap. 12. of his melancholy Treatise*. Wright the Iesuite in his booke of the passions of the minde, &c. Thus in brieft. To our imagination commeth, by the outward sense or memory, some obiect to be knowne (residing in the formost part of the Braine) which he mis-conceiuing or amplifying, presently communicates to the Heart, the seat of all affections. The pure spirits forthwith flocke from the Braine to the Heart, by certaine secret channels, and signifie what good or bad obiect was presented; ¹ which immediatly bends it selfe to prosecute, or auoide it; and withall, draweth with it other humors to help it: so in pleasure, concurre great store of purer spirits; in sadness, much melancholy blood; in ire, choller. If the Imagination be very apprehensue, inrent, and violent, it sends great store of spirits to, or from the Heart, & makes

¹ Epist. 104.
¹ Lib. 1. cap. 5.
¹ si quis esse percussu cor, tantum efficiunt.
¹ Terror in sapiente esse non debet.

¹ De occult. nat. mir. l. 1. c. 16.
¹ Nemo moraliū qui affectibus non ducatur, qui non mouetur, aut saxum, aut eleus est.

¹ Instit. lib. 2. de humanorum affect. morborum citat.

¹ Epist. 105.
¹ Granatenis.

¹ Vug.

¹ De cit. Dei. l. 4. c. 9. qualis in oculis hominum qui inuersis peccibus ambulat, talis in oculis sapientum, cui passiones dominantur.

¹ Lib. de decal. passiones maxime corpus efficiunt, & animam, & gravissime & frequentissime cause melancholice, dimouentes ab ingenio & sanitate pristinam. lib. 3. de animam.

¹ Frana & stimu i animi, velut in mari quedam aue leues, que & placide, quedam turbulente: sic in corpore quedam affectiones excitant tantum, quadam ita mouent, ut de statu iudicii depellant. Vi gutta lapideum, sic paulatim he penetrant animam.

¹ Visu valentes recte morbi animi vocantur. ¹ Imaginatio mouet corpus, ad cuius motum, excitantur humores, & spiritus vitales, quibus alteratur. ¹ Eccles. 13. 26. The Heart alters the countenance to good or euill, and distraction of the minde, causeth distemperature of the body.

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a deeper impression, and greater tumult, as the humours in the Body be likewise prepared, and the temperature it selfe ill or well disposed, the passions are longer and stronger. So that the first stepp and fountaine of all our grievances in this kinde, is *lesā Imaginatio*, which mis-informing the Heart, causeth all these distemperatures, alteration and confusion of spirits and humors. By meanes of which, so disturbed, concoction is hindred, and the principall parts are much debilitated; as *D. Navarra* well declared, being consulted by *Montanus* about a melancholy lew. The spirits so confounded, the nourishment must needes be abated, bad humors increased, crudities and thicke spirits ingendred, and melancholy blood. The other parts cannot performe their functions, hauing their spirits drawne from them by vehement passion, but faile in sense and motion; so wee looke vpon a thing, and see it not; heare, and obserue not; which otherwise would much affect vs, had wee beene free. I may therefore conclude with *Arnoldus*, *Maxima vis est phantasia, & huic uni ferè, non autem corporis intemperiei, omnis melancholice causa est ascribenda*: great is the force of Imagination, and much more ought the cause of Melancholy to be ascribed to this alone, then to the distemperature of the body. Which *Imagination*, because it hath so great a stroke in producing this malady, and is so powerfull of it selfe, it will not be impertinent to my discourse, to make a brieue Digression of the force of it, and how it causeth this aiteration. Which manner of Digression, howsoeuer some dislike, as frivolous and impertinent, yet I am of *† Beroaldus* his opinion, *Such Digressions doe mightily delight and refresh a weary Reader, they are like sawce to a bad stomacke, and I doe therefore most willingly use them.*

SVRSHC. 2.

Of the force of Imagination.

What Imagination is, I haue sufficiently declared in my *Digression of the Anatomy of the Soule*. I will onely now point at the wonderfull effects and power of it; which, as it is eminent in all, so most especially it rageth in melancholy persons, in keeping the species of objects so long, mistaking, amplifying them by continuall and strong *meditation*, vntill at length it produceth reall effects, and causeth this, and many other maladies. And although this *Phantasia* of ours, be a subordinate faculty to reason, and should be ruled by it, yet in many men, through inward or outward distemperatures, defect of organs, which are vnapt or hindered, or otherwise contaminated, it is likewise vnapt, hindred, and hurt. This wee see verified in sleepers, which by reason of humors, and concurse of vapours troubling the *Phantasia*, imagine many times absurd and prodigious things, and in such as are troubled with *Incubus*, or witch ridden, (as we call it) if they lie on their backes, they suppose an old woman rides, and sits so hard vpon them, that they are almost stifled for want of breath; when there is nothing but a concurrence of bad humors, which trouble the *Phantasia*. This is likewise euident in such as walke in the night in their sleepe, and doe strange feats: these vapours moue the *Phantasia*, the *Phantasia* the *Appetite*, which mouing the *animall* spirits, causeth the body to walke vp and downe, as if they

3 Spiritus & sanguis a lesa Imaginatione contaminantur, humores enim mutati actiōnes animi immutant. Pifo.

4 Montani consil. 22. Haec verò quomodo causent melancholiam, clarum; & quod concoctionem impediunt, & membra principalia debilitent.

5 Breviar. lib. 1. cap. 18.

† Solent huiusmodi egressiones favorabiliter oblectare, & lectorem lassum iucunde refocillare, stomachumq; nauicantem, quodam quasi condimento refocillare, & ego libenter excutito.

* Ab Imaginatione vitiatur affectio, quibus anima compositur, aut turbata deturbatur. Io. Sarisburiensis. Metolog. lib. 4. cap. 10.

1 Scalig. exercit.

they were awake. *Fracaſtorius lib. 3. de intellectu.* referres all *Extrāsies* to this force of Imagination, ſuch as lye whole dayes together in a Trance: as that *Prieſt* whom *m Celfus* ſpeakes of, that could ſeparate himſelfe from his ſenſes when he liſt, and lye like a dead man, voide of life and ſenſe. *Cardan* brags of himſelfe, that he could doe as much, and that when hee liſt. Many times ſuch men when they come to themſelves, tell ſtrange things of Heauen and Hell, what viſions they haue ſeene; as that *Sr Owen* in *Mathew Paris*, that went into *Saint Patricks* Purgatory; and the Monke of *Eueſham* in the ſame Author. Thoſe common apparitions in *Bede* and *Gregory*, and *Sr B. Igit*s revelations, *wier. lib. 3. de Lamys, cap. 11.* &c: reduceth, (as I haue formerly ſaid;) and all thoſe tales of Witches, progreſſes, dauncing, riding, transformations, operations, &c: to the force of *m* Imagination, and the Diuels illuſions. The like effects almoſt are to bee ſeene in ſuch as are awake: How many *Chimæras*, *Anticks*, golden mountaines, and Caſtles in the Aire doe they build vnto themſelves? I appeale to Painters, Mechanicians, Mathematicians. Some aſcribe all vices to a falſe and corrupt Imagination, Anger, Reuenge, Luſt, Ambition, Couetouſneſſe, which preferres falſhood, before that which is right and good, deluding the Soule with falſe ſhewes and ſuppoſitions. *P Bernardus Penottus*, will haue hereſie and ſuperſtition to proceede from this fountaine; as he falſely imagineth, ſo he beleeueth, and as he conceiueth of it, ſo it muſt be, and it ſhall be, *contra gentes* he will haue it ſo. But moſt eſpecially in paſſions and affections, it ſhewes ſtrange and euident effects: what will not a fearefull man conceiue in the darke; what ſtrange formes of Diuels, Witches, Goblins? *Lavater* imputes the greateſt cauſe of ſpectrums and the like apparitions, to feare, which aboue all other paſſions, begets the ſtrongeſt Imagination, (ſaith *q Wierus*;) and ſo likewiſe loue, ſorrow, ioy, &c. Some dye ſuddainly, as ſhe that ſaw her ſonne come from the battle at *Canna*, &c. *Jacob the Patriarke*, by force of Imagination, made peckled lambes, laying peckled roddeſ before them. *Persina*, that *Ethiopian* Queene in *Heliodorus*, by ſeeing the picture of *Persus* and *Andromeda*, inſteed of a Blackemoore, was brought to bed of a faire white child. In imitation of whom belike, t an hard fauoured fellow in *Greece*, becauſe he and his wife were both deformed, to get a brood of their children, *elegantissimas* Images in thalamo collocavit, &c: hung the faireſt pictures he could buy for money in his chamber, that his wife by frequent ſight of them, might conceive and beare ſuch children. And if wee may beleue *Bale*, one of *Pope Nicholas* the thirds Concubines, by ſeeing of a Beare, was brought to bed of a Monſter. If a woman (ſaith *Lemnius*) at the time of her conception, thinke of another man preſent, or abſent, the childe will be like him. Great bellied women, when they long, yeeld vs prodigious examples in this kinde, as Moles, Warts, Scarres, Hare-lips, Monſters, eſpecially cauſed in their children, by force of a depraued phantaſie in them. *Ipsam ſpeciem quam animo effigiat, fatui inducit*: ſhee imprints that ſtampe vpon her childe, which ſhe conceiues vnto her ſelfe. And therefore *Lodovicus Vives, lib. 2. de Chriſt. ſem.* giues a ſpeciall caution to great bellied women, that they doe not admit of

m Qui quoties volebat, mortuo ſimilis iacebat, auferens ſe a ſenſibus, & quum pungeretur, dolorem non ſenſit.

Idem Nymanus orat. de maginat.

Vcrbis & vntionibus ſe conſecrant demoni eſſime

mulieres, qui ſe ad opus ſuum utitur, & carum

phantasiam regit, ducitq. ad loca ab iſſis deſiderata, co:pora

verò earum ſine ſe ſu permanent que umbra co:peru diabolus, ut nulli ſint conſpicua. & poſt

umbra ſubla:â, proprijs corporibus eas reſtituit.

l. 3. c. 11. Wier.

Denario medico.

Selet timor, præ omnibus affectibus, ſortes

Imaginationes gignere, poſt amor, &c. l. 3. c. 8.

Ex viſo viſo, talem peperit.

Lib. 1. c. 4.

de ſcru t. nat. mir ſi inter amplexus & ſua

via cogitet de uno, aut alio abſente, eius effigies ſolet in ſemine elucere

Quid non ſe:ti adhuc matris unito, ſubita

ſpiritus vibratone, per nervos, quibus matrix cerebro coniun-

cta eſt, immit impregnata

Imaginatio, ut ſi

imaginetur malum granatum, illius notas ſecum proferet fetus: ſi leporem, infans editur ſupremo labello biſido, & diſſecto, vehemens cogitatio mouet rerum ſpecies. Wier. l. 3. c. 8. " Ne dum uterum geſtent, admittant abſurdas cogitationes, ſed & viſu, audituq. ſeda & horrenda deſcunt.

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such absurd conceits and cogitations, but by all meanes avoide such horrible objects heard or seene, or filthy spectacles. Some will laugh, weepe, sigh, groane, blush, tremble, sweate, at such things as are suggested vnto them by their Imagination. *Avicenna* speakes of one that could cast himselfe into a Palsie when he list; and some can imitate the tunes of Birds and Beasts, that they can hardly be discerned. *Dagebertus* and *S^t Francis* scarres and wounds, like to those of Christs, (if at the least any such were) *Agrippa* supposeth to haue happened by force of Imagination: that some are turned to Wolves, from Men to Women, and Women againe to Men (which is constantly beleueed) to the same Imagination: or from men to Asses, Dogges, or any other shapes. *Wiernus* ascribes all those famous transformations, to Imagination; that in *Hydrophobia* they seeme to see the picture of a Dog, still in their water, ² that melancholy men, and sicke men, conceiue so many phantasticall visions, apparitions to themselves, and haue so many absurd suppositions, as that they are Kings, Lords, Cockes, Beares, Apes, Owles; that they are heauy, light, transparent, great and little, senselesse and dead (as shall bee shewed more at large, in our [†] Sections of Symptomes) can be imputed to nought else, but to a corrupt, false, and violent Imagination. It workes not in sicke and melancholy men onely, but euen most forcibly sometimes in such as are sound: it makes them suddainly sicke, and ^a alters their temperature in an instant. And sometimes a strong apprehension, as ^b *Valesius* prones, will take away Diseases: in both kindes it will produce reall effects. Men if they see but another man tremble, giddy, or sicke of some fearefull Disease, their apprehension and feare is so strong in this kind, that they will haue the same Disease. Or if by some South-sayer, wise-man, fortune-teller, or Physitian, they be told they shall haue such a Disease, they will so seriously apprehend it, that they will instantly labour of it. A thing familiar in *China* (saith *Riccius* the Iesuite.) ^c If it be told them they shall be sicke on such a day, when that day comes, they will surely be sicke, and will be so terribly afflicted, that sometimes they dye vpon it. *D^r Cotta* in his Discouery of ignorant Practitioners of Physick cap. 8. hath two strange stories to this purpose, what fancy is able to doe: The one of a Parsons wife in *Northamptonshire* A^o 1607. that comming to a Physitian, and told by him that shee was troubled with the *Sciatica*, as he coniectured, (a Disease shee was free from) the same night after her returne, vpon his words fell into a grievous fit of the *Sciatica*. And such another example he hath of another good wife, that was so troubled with the cramp, after the same manner shee came by it, because her Physitian did but name it. Sometimes death it selfe is caused by force of Phantasie. I haue heard of one, that comming by chance in company of him that was thought to be sicke of the Plague (which was not so) fell downe suddenly dead. Another was sicke of the Plague with conceit. One seeing another let blood, falles downe in a fowne. Another (saith ^d *Cardan* out of *Aristotle*) fell downe dead (which is familiar to women at any gastly sight) seeing but a man hanged. A Iew in *France* (saith ^e *Lodovicus Vives*) came by chance ouer a dangerous passage, or planke, that lay ouer a Brooke in the darke, without harne, the next day seeing in what danger he was in, fell downe dead. Many will not beleue such stories to bee true, but laugh commonly, and deride when they heare of them; but let these men consider with themselves, as

² Occult. Philos.
lib.1. cap.64.

⁷ Lib.3. de La-
mys, cap.10.

² Agrippa lib.1.
cap.64.

[†] Sect.3. memb.
1. subsect.3.

^a Malleus ma-
lefic. fol.77 cor-
pus muta i po-
test in diuersas
egritudines, ex
forti apprehen-
sione.

^b Fr. Vales. l.9.
cont. 6. nonnun-
quam etiam
morbi diuturni
consequuntur,
quarundam cura-
tur.

^c Expedi. in Si-
nas l.1. c.9. tan-
tum potius multi
predi toribus
biice tribuunt, ut
ipse metus fidem
faciat: nam si
predictum ijs
fuerit, ta i die
eos morbo corri-
piendos, y ubi
dies aduenerit,
in morbum in-
cidunt, & vi
metus afflicti,
cum egitudine,
aliquando etiam
cum morte col-
luctantur.

^d Subtil. 18.

^e Lib.3. de ani-
ma. cap. de mel.

& Peter

Peter Byarus illustrates it, If they were set to walke vpon a planke on high, they would be giddy, vpon which they dare securely walke vpon the ground. Many (saith *Agrippa*) & strong hearted men otherwise, tremble at such sights, dazele, and are sicke, if they looke but downe from an high place, & what moues them but conceit? As some are so molested by Phantasie; so some againe by Fancy alone, and a good conceit, are as easily recouered. We see commonly the Tooth-ache, Gout, Falling-sicknesse, biting of a mad Dog, and many such maladies cured by Spels, Words, Characters, and Charms, and many greene wounds magnetically cured, which *Goclenius* in a booke of late, hath defended. All the world knowes there is no vertue in such Charms, but a strong conceit and opinion alone, as *Pomponatius* holdes, which forceth a motion of the humors, spirits, and blood, which takes away the cause of the malady from the parts affected. The like we may say of all our Magickall effects, superstitious cures, and such as are done by Mountebanks and Wizards. An Empiricke many times, and a silly Chirurgion, doth more strange cures, then a rationall Physitian. *Nymannus* giues a reason, because the Patient puts his confidence in him, which *Avicenna* preferres before Art, Precepts, and all Remedies whatsoeuer. Tis Opinion alone (saith *Cardan*) that makes, or marres Physitians, and he doth the best cures, according to *Hippocrates*, in whom most trust. So diuersly doth this Phantasie of ours affect, turne & wynde, so imperiously command our Bodies, which as another *Proteus*, or a *Chamelion*, can take all shapes; and is of such force (as *Ficinus* addes) that it can worke vpon others as well as our selues. How can otherwise beare eyes in one man, cause the like affection in another? Why doth one mans yawning, make another yawne? One mans pissing prouoke a second many times to doe the like? Why doth scraping of trenchers offend a third, or hacking of files? &c. Why doth a Carcasse bleed, when the murtherer is brought before it, some weekes after the murther hath beene done? Why doe Witches and olde women, fascinate and bewitch children: but as *Wierus*, *Paracelsus*, *Cardan*, *Mizaldus*, *Valleriola*, & many Philosophers thinke, the forcible Imagination of the one party, moues & alters the spirits of the other. Read more of this subiect in *Wierus* l. 3. de Lamijs, cap. 8. 9. 10. *Franciscus Valesius* med. controver. lib. 5. cont. 6. *Marcellus Donatus* lib. 2. cap. 1. de hist. med. mirabil. *Levinus Lemnius* de occult. nat. mir. lib. 1. cap. 12. *Cardan* lib. 18. de rerum var. *Corn. Agrippa* de occult. Philos. cap. 64. 65. *Camerarius* 1. cent. cap. 54. horarum subf. *Nymannus* in orat. de Imag. *Laurentius*, and he that is *instar omnium*, *Ficinus*, a famous Physitian of *Antwerpe*, that wrote three bookes de viribus Imaginationis. I haue thus farre digressed, because this Imagination is the medium deferens of passions, by whose meanes they worke and produce many times prodigious effects; and as the Phantasie is more or lesse intended or remitted, and their humors disposed, so doe perturbations moue more or lesse, and take deeper impressions.

Division of Perturbations.

Perturbations and passions, which trouble the Phantasie, though they dwell betweene the confines of Sense & Reason, yet they rather follow Sense then Reason, because they are drowned in corporeal organs of Sense. They are commonly reduced into two inclinations, *Inascible* & *Concupiscible*. The Thomists subdiuide them into eleuen, six in the *Conueting*, and five in the *Invading*. Aristotle reduceth all to Pleasure and Paine; Plato to Loue and Hatred. *Vives* to good and bad. If good it is present, and then we absolutely ioy and loue or to come, and then wee desire and hope for it. If euill, we absolutely hate it; if present, it is Sorrow; if to come, Feare. These foure passions *Bernard* compares to the *wheelles of a Chariot*, by which we are carried in this world. All other passions are subordinate vnto these foure, or six, as some will: Loue, Ioy, Desire, Hatred, Sorrow, Feare. All the rest, as Anger, Envy, Emulation, Pride, lealousie, Anxiety, Mercy, Shame, Discontent, Despaire, Ambition, Auarice, &c. are reducible vnto the first: & if they be immoderate, they consume the spirits, & melancholy is especially caused by them. Some few discreet men there are, that can gouerne themselves, & curb in these inordinat Affections, by Religion, Philosophy, & such diuine Precepts, of meekenesse, patience, & the like: but most part for want of gouernment, out of indiscretion, ignorance, they suffer themselves wholly to be led by sense, & are so farre from repressing rebellious Inclinations, that they giue all encouragement vnto them, leauing the raynes, & vsing all prouocations to further them: bad by Nature, worse by Art, Discipline, & custome, education, & a peruerse will of their owne, they follow on, wheresoeuer their vnbridled Affections will transport them, & doe more out of custome, selfe-will, then out of Reason. *Contumax voluntas*, as *Melanchthon* calls it, *malum facit*; this stubborne will of ours, perverts our iudgments, which sees and knowes what should and ought to be done, and yet will not doe it. *Mancipia gula*, Slaves to their seuerall lusts, & appetite, they precipitate & plunge themselves into a Labyrinth of cares, blinded with lust, blinded with ambition; They seeke that at Gods hands, which they may giue vnto themselves, if they could but refraine from those cares, and perturbations, wherewith they continually macerate themselves. But giuing way to these violent passions of feare, grieve, shame, revenge, hatred, malice, &c. They are torne in peices, as *Aetion* was with his owne dogs, and crucifie their owne soules.

T. W. Iesuit.

o 3 de Anima.

2 Ser. 35. He
4^{or} passiones
sunt tanquam
rotæ in curru,
quibus vehimur
hoc mundo.

q Harum quippe
immoderationes
spiritus mar-
cescunt. Fernel.
lib. 1. Par. c. 18.

* Mali consue-
tudo deprava-
tur ingenium ne-
bene faciat. Pro-
sper Calenus, lib.
de atra bile.
Plura faciunt
homines e con-
suetudine quam
e ratione. A te-
neris assuescere
multum est.
Video meliora
proboq; deterio-
ro sequor. Ouid.
Nemo leditur
nisi a seipso.
Multi se in in-
quietudinem
precipitant am-
bitione & cupiditatibus excecati, non intelligunt se illud a dijs petere, quod sibi ipsi si velint prestare possint. Si a curis & perturba-
tionibus, quibus assidue se macerant, imperare vellent. u Tanto studio miseriarum causas, & alimenta dolorum querimus, vitamq;
fecius felicissimam, tristem & miserabilem efficiamus. Petrarch. prefat. de Remedius, &c.

SVBSEC. 4.

Sorrow a cause of Melancholy.

IN this catalogue of Passions, which so much torment the Soule of man, and cause this malady (for I will briefly speake of them all, and in their order) the first place in this Irascible Appetite, may iustly bee challenged by Sorrow. An inseparable companion, * The mother and daughter of Melancholy, her Epitome, Symptome, and chiefe cause: as Hippocrates hath it: They beget one another and tread in a ring, for Sorrow is both cause & Symptome of this disease. How it is a Symptome shall be shewed in his place. That it is a cause all the world acknowledgeth, *Dolor nonnullis insanie causa fuit, & aliorum morborum insanibilium*, saith Plutarch to Apollonius; a cause of madness, a cause of many other diseases, a sole cause of this mischief, y Lemnius call's it. So doth Rhasis cont. l. 1. Tract. 9. Guianerius Tract. 15. cap. 5. And if it take root once it ends in dispaire, as Felix Platter obserues, & as in a Cebes table may well be coupled with it. b Chrysostome in his seauenteenth Epistle to Olimpia, describes it to be, a cruell torture of the Soule, a most inexplorable greife, a poisoned worrne, consuming body and soule, and gnawing the very heart, a perpetual executioner, continuall night, profound darknesse, a whirlwinde, a tempest, an ague not appearing, heating worse then any fire, and a battle that hath no end: It crucifies worse then any Tyrant, no torture, no strappado, no bodily punishment is like vnto it. Tis the Eagle, without question, which the Poets fained to gnawe c Promethews heart. And no heauinesse is like vnto the heauinesse of the heart, Eccles 25. 15. 16. * Euery perturbation is a misery, but griefe a cruell torment, a domineering passion: as in old Rome, when the Dictator was created, all inferiour magistracies ceased; when griefe appeares all other passions vanish. It dries up the bones, saith Solomon cap. 17. Pro. makes them hollow-eyed, pale, and leane, furrow-faced, to haue dead lookes, wrinkled browes, riuelled cheekes, dry bodies, and quite peruersts their temperature that are misaffected with it. As Elenora that exil'd mournfull Durchesse (in our English Ouid) laments to her noble husband Humphry Duke of Gloucester,

Sawest thou those eyes in whose sweet cheerefull looke,

Duke Humphry once, such ioy and pleasure tooke,

Sorrow hath so dispoil'd me of all grace,

Thou couldst not say this was my Elnors face,

Like a fowle Gorgon, &c.

d It hinders concoction, refrigerates the heart, takes away stomacke, colour, and sleepe; thickens the bloud (Fernelius lib. 1. cap. 18. de morb. causis) Contaminates the spirits (Piso) Overthrowes the naturall heat, peruersts the good estate of body and minde, and makes them weary of their liues, cry out, howle and roare for very anguish of their soules. David confessed as much, Psalm. 38. 8. I haue roared for the very disquietnesse of my heart. And Psalm. 119. 4. part. 4. v.

omni tyranno crudeliorem pre se fert. Nat. Comes Mybol. l. 4. c. 6. * Tully 3. Tusc. omnia perturbatio miseria & carnisicina est dolor. f M Drayton in his her. ep. d Crato consil. 21. lib. 2. melitua vniuersum infigidat corpus, calorem innatum extinguit, appetitum destruit. e Cor refrigerat tristitia, spiritus exsiccat, innatumq; calorem obruit, vigilas inducit, concoctionem labefastat, sanguinem incrassat, exaggeratq; melancholicum succian. f Spiritus & sanguis hoc contaminatur, Piso.

Sorrowe.

Insanus dolor.

* Timor & me-

stitia, si diu per-

seuerent, cause

& soboles attri-

humoris sunt, &

in circulum se-

procreant, Hipp.

Aphor. 23. l. 6.

Idem Montal-

tus cap. 19. Vic-

torius Fauenti-

nus pract. mag.

* Multi ex me-

rore & metu

huc delapsi sunt.

Lemm. l. 1. c. 16.

* Multa cura

& tristitia faci-

unt accedere me-

lancholiam (cap.

3. de mentis ali-

enat.) se altas ra-

dices agat, in ve-

ram fixamq; de-

generat melan-

cholicam, & in

desperationem

desinit.

* Ille luctus, e-

ius vero soror

desperatio simul

punitur.

* Animarum

crudele tormen-

tum, dolor inex-

plicabilis, sine

non solum ossa,

sed corda perti-

gens, perpetuus

carnifex, vires

anime consu-

mens, iugis nox,

& tenebre pro-

funde, tempestas

& turbo, & fe-

bris non appa-

rens, omni igne

validius incen-

dens, longior, &

pugna finem non

habens. Cru-

cem circumfert

dolor, faciemq;

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My soule melteth away for very heavinesse, vers. 38. I am like a bottle in the smoake. ^f *Antiochus* complained that he could not sleepe, and that his heart fainted for griefe. *Christ* himselfe, *Vir dolorum*, out of an apprehension of griefe, did sweat blood, *Marke 14.* His soule was heavy to the death, and no sorrow was like vnto his. *Crato consil. 21. lib. 2.* giues instance in one that was so melancholy by reason of ^g griefe: and *Montanus consil. 30.* in a noble matrone, ^h that had no other cause of this mischiefe. *I. S. D. in Hildesheim* fully cured a patient of his, that was much troubled with melancholy, and for many yeares, ⁱ but afterwards by a little occasion of sorrow, he fell into his former fits, and was tormented as before. Examples are common, how it causeth melancholy, desperation, and sometimes death it selfe. *Ecclus. 38. 15.* Of heavinesse comes death. worldly sorrow causeth death, *2 Cor. 7. 10. Psal. 31. 10.* My life is wasted with heavinesse, and my yeares with mourning. Why was *Hecuba* said to be turned to a Dogge? *Niobe* into a stone? But for griefe she was senselesse and stupid. *Seuerus* the Emperour ^l died for griefe; and how many myriads besides. *Tanta illi est feritas, tanta est insania luctus.* *Melancthon* giues a reason of it, ⁿ the gathering of much melancholy blood about the heart; which collection extinguisheth the good spirits, or at least dulleth them, sorrow strikes the heart, makes it tremble and pine away, with great paine: And the blacke blood drawne from the Spleene, and diffused vnder the ribbs, on the left side, makes those perillous hypocondriacall convulsions, which happen to them that are troubled with Sorrow.

^f *1. Marc. 6. 19.*
^g *Merore ma-*
^h *cevor, marcesco*
ⁱ *et consenesco*
^l *miser, ossa atq;*
^m *pellis sum misera*
ⁿ *macretudine.*
^o *Plautus.*
^p *Malum incep-*
^q *tum et auctum*
^r *à tristitia soli.*
^s *Hildesheim.*
^t *Spicel 2. de me-*
^u *lancholia, mero-*
^v *re animi postea*
^w *accedere in pri-*
^x *ora symptomata*
^y *incidunt.*
^z *Vines 3. de a-*
^{aa} *nima, c. de me-*
^{ab} *rore, Sabia in*
^{ac} *Ovid.*
^{ad} *Herodian lib.*
^{ae} *3. merore magis*
^{af} *quam morbo*
^{ag} *consumptus est.*
^{ah} *Boithwellius*
^{ai} *atribilarius obiit*
^{aj} *Bizarrius Genu-*
^{ak} *ensis hist. &c.*
^{al} *In tristitia cor quasi percussum constringitur, tremis et languescit cum acrisensu doloris. In tristitia confuziens at-*
^{am} *trahit ex Splene lentum humorem melancholicum, qui effusus sub costis in sinistro latere hypocondriacos flatus facit, quod sepe accidit in*
^{an} *qui diuturna cura et tristitia consistantur Melancthon.*

SUBSEC. 5.

Feare a cause.

COfen german to Sorrow is Feare, or rather a sister; *fidus Achates*, and continuall companion, an assistant and a principall agent in procuring of this mischiefe; a cause and symptome as the other. In a word

as ^o *Virgil* said of the Harpies, I may iustly say of them both,

Tristius haud illis monstrum, nec seuior vlla

Pestis et ira Deum stygijs sese extulit undis.

A sadder monster, or more cruell plague so fell,

Or vengeance of the Gods, ne're came from Styx or Hell.

This fowle fiend of feare was worshipped heretofore for a God amongst the *Lacedemonians*, and most of those other torturing p affections, & so was sorrow amongst the rest, vnder the name of *Angerona Dea*, they stood in such awe of them, as *Austin de Cunitat. Dei lib. 4. cap. 8.* notes out of *Varro*, Feare was commonly ^q adored and painted in their Temples with a Lions head; and as *Macrobius* records *1. 10. Saturnatium*; ^r in the Calends of Ianuary *Angerona* had her holyday, to whom in the Temple of Volupia, or Goddesse of pleasure, their Augures and Bishops did yearly sacrifice; that being propitious to them, she might expell all cares, anguish, and vexation of the minde for that yeare following. Many lamentable effects this Feare causeth in men,

^o *Lib. 3. En. 4.*
^p *Et mentem i-*
^q *ded deam sacrā-*
^r *viunt ut bonam*
^s *mentem conce-*
^t *deret. Varro La-*
^u *Etantius, Augus.*
^v *Libellus Girald.*
^w *Syntag. 1. de diis*
^x *miscellaneis.*
^y *Calendis Ian.*
^z *serie sunt time*
^{aa} *Angerone, cui*
^{ab} *pontifices in sa-*
^{ac} *cello Volupie*
^{ad} *sacra faciunt,*
^{ae} *quod angores et*
^{af} *animi sollicitu-*
^{ag} *dines propitiata*
^{ah} *propellat.*

as to be red, pale, tremble, sweat, it causeth sudden cold and heat to come over all the body, palpitation of the heart, Syncope, &c. It amazeth many men that are to speake, or shew themselves in publike assemblies, or before some great personages, as Tully confesseth of himselfe that he trembled still at the beginning of his speech; and Demosthenes that great Orator of Greeke before Philippus; It confounds voice and memory, as Lucian wittily brings in Iupiter Tragedus, so much afraid of his auditory, when hee was to make a speech to the rest of the Gods, that hee could not utter a ready word, but was compelled to use Mercuries helpe in prompting. Many men are so amazed and astonished with feare, they knowe not where they are, what they say, what they doe, and that which is worst, it tortures them many dayes before with continuall feare and suspicion. It hinders many honorable attempts, and makes their hearts ake, sad and heauy. They that are in feare are neuer free, n^r resolute, secure, neuer merry, but in continuall paine: that, as *Vives* truly said, *Nulla est miseria maior quam metus*, no greater misery, no racke, nor torture like vnto it, euer suspicious, anxious, solicitous, they are childishly drouping, without reason, without iudgement, * especially if some terrible object be offered, as *Plutarch* hath it. It causeth many times suddaine madnesse, and almost all manner of diseases, as I haue sufficiently illustrated in my ^a Digression of the force of Imagination, & shall doe more at large in my Section of ^b Terrors. Feare makes our Imagination conceaue what it list, it inuies the Diuell to come to vs, as ^c *Agrippa* and *Cardan* avouch, and tyrannizeth over our phantasie more then all other affections, especially in the darke. We see this verified in most, as ^e *Lauater* saith, *Quæ metuunt fingunt*, what they feare they conceaue & faigne vnto themselves, they thinke they see Goblins, Hagges, Diuels, and many times become melancholy thereby. *Cardan subtil. lib. 18.* hath an example of such a one, so caused to be melancholy (by sight of a Goblin) all his life after. *Augustus* *Cæsar* durst not sit in the darke, *nisi aliquo assidente*, saith ^f *Suetonius*, *Nunquam tenebris euigilauit*. And 'tis strange what women and children will conceaue vnto themselves, if they goe over a Church-yard in the night, or lye, or be alone in a darke roome, how they sweat and tremble on a sudden. Many men are troubled with future euent, fore-knowledge of their fortunes, destinies, as *Seuerus* the Emperour, *Adrian* and *Domitian*, *Quod sciret ultimum vite diem*, saith *Suetonius*, *valde sollicitus*, much troubled in minde because he foreknewe his end; with many such, of which I shall speake more opportunely in ^g another place. Anxiety, mercy, pitty, indignation, &c. and such ferall branches deriued from these two stemmes of Feare and Sorrow, I voluntarily omit, read more of them in ^{*} *Carolus Pascalius*, [†] *Dandinus*, &c.

^c Timor inducit frigus, cordis palpitacionem, vocis defectum atq; pallorem. *Agrippa lib. 1. cap. 63.* Timidi semper spiritus habent frigidos. *Mont.*

^e Effusus cernēs fugientes agmine turmas, quis me nunc inflat cornua Faunus ait? *Alciat.*

^u Metus non solum memoriam conseruat sed et institutum animi omne & laudabilem conatum impedit. *Thucydides.*

^x Lib de fortitudine & virtute Alexandri. ubi prope res adfuit terribilis.

^a Sect. 2. Mem. 3. Subf. 2.

^b Sect. 2. Mem. 4. Subf. 3.

^c Subil. 18. lib. timor trahit ad se Demones, timor & error multum in hominibus possunt.

^e Lib. de spectris cap. 3. fortes raro spectra vident, qui a minus timent.

^f Vita eius.

^g Sect. 2. Mem. 4. Subf. 7.

^{*} De virt & vitis.

[†] Com. in Arist. de Anima.

SVESAC. 6.

Shame and Disgrace, causes.

SHAME and Disgrace cause most violent passions, and bitter pangs. *Ob pudorem & dedecus publicum, ob errorem commissum, sæpe moventur generosi animi*, *Felix Plater lib. 3. de alienat. mentis*. Generous mindes are often moued with shame, to despaire for some publike disgrace. And he, saith

Philolib. de proud. Dei, ^h That subiects himselfe to feare, desire, grieve, ambition, shame, is not happy, but altogether miserable, tortured with continuall labour, care, and misery. And it is as forcible a batterer as any of the rest: Many men neglect the tumults of the world, and care not for glory, and yet they are afraid of infamy, repulse, disgrace. (*Tul. offic. lib. 1.*) they can severely contemne pleasure, beare grieve indifferently, but they are quite battered and broken with reproach and obloquy. And are so dejected many times for some publike iniury, disgrace, as a box on the eare by their inferiour, to bee overcome of their aduery, foiled in the field, to bee out in a speech, or some fowle fact committed or disclosed, &c. that they dare not come abroad all their liues after, but melancholife in corners, and keepe in holes. The most generous spirits are most subiect to it. *Spiritus altos frangit & generosos: Hieronymus.* Aristotle because he could not vnderstand the motion of *Euripus*, for grieve and shame drowned himselfe: *Celius Rhodiginus antiquar. l. 29. cap. 8.* *Homerus pudore consumptus*, was swallowed vp with this passion of shame, because he could not unfold that fishermans riddle. *Sophocles* killed himselfe, ^m because a Tragedie of his was hissed off the stage: *Valer. Max. lib. 9. cap. 12.* *Lucretia* stabbed her selfe, and so did ⁿ *Cleopatra*, when she saw that shee was reserved for a triumph, to avoid the infamy. *Antonius* the Roman, ^o after he was overcome of his enemy for three dayes space sate solitary in the forepart of the shippe, abstaining from all company, euen of *Cleopatra* herselfe, & afterwards for verry shame, butchered himselfe, *Plutarch. vitâ eius.* *Apollonius Rhodius* ^p wilfully banished himselfe, forsaking his country, & all his deare friends, because he was out in reciting his Poems, *Plinius lib. 7. cap. 23.* *Ajax* ran mad, because his armes were adiudged to *Vlysses*. In *China* 'tis an ordinary thing for such as are excluded in those famous trialls of theirs, or should take degrees, for shame and grieve to lose their wits, ^q *Mat. Riccius expedit. ad Sinas lib. 3. cap. 9.* *Hoftratus* the Frier, tooke that book which *Reutlin* had writ against him, vnder the name of *Epist. obscurorum virorum*, so to heart, that for shame and grieve he made away himselfe, ^r *Iouius in elogijs.* A graue & learned Minister, and an ordinary Preacher at *Alcmar* in *Holland*, was one day (as hee was walking in the fields for his recreation) suddenly taken with a laske or looseness, and therevpon compelled to take the next ditch, but being surprised at vnawares, by some Gentlewomen of his Parish wandering that way, ^t was so abashed, that hee did neuer after shew his head in publike, or come into the Pulpit, but pined away with melancholy: (*Pet. Forestus med. obseruat. l. 10. obser. 12.*) So shame amongst other passions can play his prize.

I knowe there be many base, impudent, and brazen-faced roagues, that wil ^e *nullâ pallescere culpâ*, be mooued with nothing, take no infamy or disgrace to heart, laugh at all: let thē be proued periur'd, stigmatized, convict roagues, theeves, traitors, loose their eares, be whipped, branded, carted, pointed at, hissed, reuiled, and derided, with ^u *Ballio* the Baud in *Plautus*, they reioyce at it, *cantores probos: babe and Bombax*, what care they? yet a modest man, one

^a *Qui mentem* subiecit timoris dominationi, cupiditatis, doloris, ambitionis, pudoris, felix non est, sed omnino miser, assiduus laboribus torquetur & miseria. ^h Multi contemnant mundi strepitum, reputant pro nihilo gloriam, sed timent infamiam, offensionem, repulsam, Voluptatem seuerissime contemnant, in dolore sunt molliores, gloriam negligunt, franguntur infamia. ^m Grauius contumeliam ferimus, quam detrimentum, abiectio nimis animo timet. *Plut. in Timol.* ⁿ Quid piscatoris enigma solvere non posset. ^o Ob Tragediam explosam mortem sibi gladio conscriuit. ^p Cum vidit in triumphum se seruari, causâ eius ignominie vitandæ, mortem sibi conscriuit. *Plut.* ^q Bello victus, pertres dies sedet in prora navis, abstinens ab omni confortio, etiam *Cleopatra*, postea se interfecit. ^r Cum male recitasset *Argonautica*, ob pudore se exulauit. ^s Quidam pre verecundiâ simul & dolore in infamiam incidunt, eo quod a litterarum gradu in examine excluduntur. ^t *Hoftratus* cucullatus adeo grauiter ob *Rutlini* librum, qui inscribitur, *Epistole obscurorum virorum*, dolore simul & pudore sauciatus, ut seipsum interfecerit. ^u Propter ruborem confusus, statim cepit delirare, &c. ob suspicionem quod vili illum crimine accusarent. ^v *Hor.* ^w *Pl.* Impudice. *B.* Ita est. *Pl.* scelerate. *B.* dicis vera. *Pl.* Verbero. *B.* quippeni. *Pl.* furcifer. *B.* factum optime. *Pl.* loci fraude. *B.* sunt mea istec. *Pl.* parricida. *B.* perge tu. *Pl.* sacrilege. *B.* fateor. *Pl.* perire. *B.* vera dicis. *Pl.* pernicies adolescentium. *B.* acerrime. *Pl.* fur. *B.* babe. *Pl.* fugitive. *B.* Bombax. *Pl.* fraus populi. *B.* Planissime. *Pl.* impure leno, cenum. *B.* cantores probos. *Pseudolus. Act. 1. Scen. 3.*

that hath grace, a generous spirit, one that is tender of his reputation, will be deeply wounded, and so grievously affected with it, that hee had rather give myriades of crownes, loose his life, then suffer the least defamation of his honour, or blot in his good name. And if so be that he cannot avoid it, as a Nightingale, *que cantando victa moritur*, (saith ^x *Mizaldus*,) dies for shame if another bird sing better, he languisheth and pineth away in the anguish of his spirit.

SVBSEC. 7.

Envy, Malice, causes.

ENvy and Malice are two linkes of this chaine, and both as *Guianerius* ^y *Multos videmus* *Tract. 15. cap. 2.* proves out of *Galen*, 3. *Aphorism. com. 22.* ^y *causa* this malady by themselves, especially if their bodies bee otherwise disposed to Melancholy. 'Tis *Valescus de Taranta*, and *Felix Platerus* observation, ^z *enuy* *sognawes many mens hearts, that they become altogether melancholy.* And therefore belike *Solomon*, *Prou. 14. 13.* calls it, *the rotting of the bones.* *Cyprian*, *vulnus occultum.* ^a *Siculi non inueniunt tyranni*

Maius tormentum

the *Sicilian* tyrants neuer inuented the like torment. It crucifies their soules, withers their bodies, makes them hollow-ey'd, ^b pale, leane, and gaskly to behold. *Cyprian* *ser. 2. de zelo & liuore.* ^c *As a Moth gnawes a garment,* so, saith *Chrysostome*, doth enuy consume a man: to be a liuing Anatomy: as *skelton*, to be a leane and ^d pale carcasse, quickned with a ^e fiend, *Hall in Charact.* For so often as an enuious wretch sees another man prosper, to be enriched, to thrive and be fortunate in the world, to get honours, offices, or the like, hee repines and grieues. ^f *int abescit q. videndo*

Successus hominum, — suppliciumq. suum est:

He tortures himselfe if his equall, friend, neighbour, be preferred, commended, doe well. If he vnderstand of it, it gaules him afresh, & no greater paine can come to him, then to heare of another mans well doing, 'tis a dagger at his heart euery such obiekt. He looks at him, as they that fell downe in *Licians* rocke of honour, with an enuious eye, and will damage himselfe to doe another a mischief: As he did in *Esop*, loose one eye willingly, that his fellow might loose both. His whole life is sorrow, and euery word he speaks a *Satyre*, nothing fars him but other mens ruins. For to speake in a word, Envy is nothing else but *Tristitia de bonis alienis*, sorrow for other mens good be it present, past, or to come: ^g *gaudium de aduersis*, & ^h ioy at their harmes, opposite to mercy, ⁱ which grieues at other mens mischances, & misaffects the body in another kinde; so *Damasce* defines it. *lib. 2. de orthod. fid. Theophrastus 22. quest. 36. art. 1. Aristotle lib. 2. Rhet. cap. 4. & 10. Plato Philebo, Tully 3. Tusc. Greg. Nic. lib. de virt. anima cap. 12. Basil. de Inuidia. Pindarus Od. 1. ser. 5. and we finde it true.* 'Tis a common disease, and almost naturall to vs, as ⁱ *Tacitus* holds, to enuy another mans prosperity. And 'tis in most men as

^{min. prim. Advent.} ^l *Ouid.* ^z *Statius* *ceres* *Basilus* *eos comparat, qui liquefiunt: ad presentiam Solis, quo alij gaudent & ornantur.* *Muscis alij que ulceribus gaudent, amena pretereunt, sistant in fetidis.* ^h *Miseria etiam que tristitia quedam est, sepe miserantis corpus male afficit.* *Agrip. lib. 1. cap. 63.* ⁱ *Iustum mortalibus a natura recentem aliorum felicitatem, aegris oculis intueri,* *lib. 2. Tacit.*

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incurable disease. * I have read, saith Marcus Aurelius, Greek, Hebrew, Chalde

* Legi Chaldeos, Græcos, Hebræos, consulti sapientes pro remedio invidie. hoc enim inveni, renunciare felicitati & perpetuo miser esse.

* Omne peccatum aut excusationem secum habet, aut voluptatem, sola invidia utraq; caret, reliqua vitia finem habent, ira deservit, gula saturatur, odium finem habet, invidia nunquam quiescit.

in Vrebat me, emulatio propter stultos.

* Hier. 12. 1.

* Hab. 1.

* Invidit principis attolli.

* Tacit. hist. lib. 2. part. 6.

* Peritura dolore & invidia, si quem viderint ornatiorem, se in publicum prodisse. Platina de al. morum.

* Ant. Guarnieri lib. 2. cap. 8. vit. M. Aurelii femina vicinam elegantius se vestitam videns, leone insar in virum insar.

* Quod insigni equo & astro veheretur, quanquam nullius cum invidia ornatum illum tanquam lest gravabantur.

* Quod pulchritudine omnes excelleret, puelle indignate occiderunt.

Authors, I have consulted with many wise men, for a remedy for Envy, I could finde none, but to renounce a happiness, and to be a wretch and miserable for ever. Tis the beginning of hell in this life, and a passion not to be excused.

Every other sinne hath some pleasure annexed to it, or will admit of an excuse, envy alone wants both. Other sinnes last but for a while, the gut may be satisfied, anger remits, hatred hath an end, envy never ceaseth. Cardan. lib. 2.

de sap. Divine and humane examples are very familiar, you may runne and read them: as that of Saul and David, Cain and Abel, angebat illum non proprium peccatum, sed fratris prosperitas, saith Theodoret, it was his brothers good fortune gauled him. Rachel envied her sister, being barren, Gen. 30. Josephs brethren him Gen. 37. David had a touch of this vice, as hee confesseth in Psal. 37. and Jeremay, and Habakkuk, they repined at others good, but in the end they corrected themselves. Psal. 75. fret not thy selfe, &c. Domitian envied Agricola for his worth, P that a private man should be so much glorified. Cecinna was envied of his fellow citizens, because he was more richly adorned. But of all others, women are most weake, ob pulchritudinem invidie sunt femina: Musæus: aut amat, aut odit, nihil est tertium. Granatensis.

They loue or hate, no medium amongst them. Agrippa like, a woman if she see her neighbour, more neat or elegant, richer in tires, Jewels, or apparell, is enraged, and like a Lionesse sets upon her husband, & rayles at her, scoffes at her, and cannot abide her: so the Roman Ladies in Tacitus did at Salonina Cecinnas wife, because she had a better horse, and better furniture, as if shee had hurt them with it, they were much offended: In like sort our Gentlewomen doe at their vsuall meetings, one repines or scoffes at anothers brauery and happiness. Myrsine an Atticke wench, was murdered of her fellowes, because shee did excell the rest in beauty, Constantine Agricul. lib. 11. cap. 7. Every Village will yeeld such examples.

Ant. Guarnieri lib. 2. cap. 8. vit. M. Aurelii femina vicinam elegantius se vestitam videns, leone insar in virum insar.

* Quod insigni equo & astro veheretur, quanquam nullius cum invidia ornatum illum tanquam lest gravabantur.

* Quod pulchritudine omnes excelleret, puelle indignate occiderunt.

SUBSEC. 8.

Emulation, Hatred, Faction, Desire of revenge, causes.

Of this root of Envy, spring those ferall branches of faction, hatred, liuor, emulation, which cause the like grievances, and are, *ferre animæ*, the sawes of the soule, *consternationis pleni affectus*, affections full of desperate amazement: or as Cyprian describes emulation, it is *a moth of the soule, a consumption, to make another mans happiness his misery, to torture, crucifie, and execute himselfe, to eat his owne heart. Meate and drinke can doe such men no good, they doe alwayes grieue, sigh and groane, day & night*

* Latè pater invidie fixunda peritities, & liuor radix omnium malorum, fons cladum, inde odium surgit, emulatio Cypriani. ser. 2. 10. de Liore.

* Valerius lib. 3. cap. 9. Qualis est animi iniea, que tabet pectoris relare in alio, vel aliorum felicitatem. suam facere penam, et velut quosdam pectori suo admoovere carnes, cogitationibus & sensibus suis adhibere tortores, qui se intestinis cruciatibus lacerant, non cibis talibus letus, non potus potest esse inuictus, suspiratur semper & gemitur, & doletur dies & noctes, pectus sine intermissione laceratur.

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without all intermission, their breast is torne asunder: and a little after, ^z who-soeuer he is, whom thou dost emulate and enuy, he may avoid thee, but thou canst neither avoid him, nor thy selfe: where-soeuer thou art, he is with thee, thine enemy is euer in thy breast, thy destruction is within thee, thou art a captiue, bound hand and foot, as long as thou art malicious, and enuious, and canst not be comforted. It was the Diuells overthrowe: & when-soeuer thou art thoroughly affected with this passion, it will be thine. Yet no perturbation, passion so common.

^a Kai xaxous xaxou notia i xaxou xaxou,
Koi xaxos xaxo qdren i xaxo xaxo.

A Potter emulates a Potter,

One Smith enuies another:

A beggar emulates a beggar,

A singing man his brother.

Every society, corporation, and priuate family is full of it, it takes hold almost of all sorts of men, from the Prince, to the Ploughman, euen amongst Gossips it is to be seene; scarce three in a company, but there is siding, faction, emulation betwixt two of them, some *simultas*, jarre, priuate grudge, heart-burning in the midst of them. Scarce two Gentlemen dwell together in the countrey, but there is emulation betwixt them and their seruants, some quarrell or some grudge betwixt their wiues, or children, friends, and followers, some contentiō about wealth, gentry, precedency, &c. by meanes of which, like that frogge in ^b *Alope*, that would swell till she was as bigge as an Oxe, but burst her selfe at last: they will stretch beyond their fortunes, callings, and strue so long, that they consume their substance in Law sutes, or otherwise in hospitality, feasting, to get a few bumbast titles, &c. to out-braue one another, they will tire their bodies, macerate their soules, and beggar themselves.

Honest ^c emulation in studies, in all callings is not to be disliked, 'tis *ingeniorum cos*, as one calls it, the whetstone of wit: the nurse of wit and valour: and those noble Romans out of this spirit did braue exploits. There is a modest ambition, as *Themistocles* was rowled vp with the glory of *Miltiades*; *Achilles* trophyes moued *Alexander*:

^{*} *Ambire semper stulta confidentia est,*

Ambire nunquam deses arrogantia est,

'tis a sluggish humour not to emulate or to sue at all, but when it is immoderate, it is a plague, and a miserable paine. What a deale of mony did *Henry the 1.* and *Francis* the first king of *France*, spend at that ^d famous interview? and how many vaine courtiers, seeking each to outbraue other, spent themselves, their liuelyhood, and fortunes, and died beggars. ^e *Adrian* the Emperour was so galled with it, that he killed all his equals: so did *Nero*. This passion made ^f *Dionysius* the Tyrant, banish *Plato* and *Philoxenus* the Poet, because they did excell, and eclipse his glory, as he thought. When *Richard* the first, and *Philip* of *France*, were fellow souldiers together, at the siege of *Achon*, in the Holy land, and *Richard* had approued himselfe to bee the more valiant man, in so much that all mens eyes were vpon him, it so galled *Philip*, *Francum* vrebat *Regis victoria*, saith mine ^g Author, *tam agre ferre Richardi gloriam, ut carpere dicta, calumniari facta*: that he caulled at all his proceedings

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^z Quisquis est ille quem emulas, cui inuides, is te subterfugere potest, at tu non te, ubicumq; fueris, aduersarius tuus tecum est, hostis tuus. semper in pectore tuo est, peritries intus inclusus, ligatus es, vincus, zelo dominante captiuus: nec solatia tibi villa subueniunt: hinc diabolus inter initia statim mundi, & perijt primus, & perdidit. *Cyprian.* ser. 2. de zelo & liuore.

^a Hesiod. op. dies

^b *Rana cupida equandi boue, se dispendebat, &c*

^c *Emulatio alie ingenia: Paterculus poster. vol.*

^{*} *Grotius Epig. lib. 1.*

^d Anno 1519. & betwixt Ardes and Quine.

^e *Spartian.*

^f *Plutarch.*

^g *Iohannes Hevaldus lib. 2. c. 12. de bello sacro*

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*Nulla dies
tantum poterit
leuare furorem.
Eterna bella
pace subacta ge-
runt.
Ira at odium, nec
ante mortem esse
desinit, quam
esse desit. Pa-
terculus, vol. 1.
Ira seuit hec
stygia ministra,
ut urbes subuer-
tat aliquando,
deleat populos,
provincias ali-
qui florentes re-
digat in solitudi-
nes, mortales ve-
ro miseros in
profunda mise-
riarum valle
miserabiliter
inamergat.*

**Carthago emu-
la Romani im-
perij funditus
interijt. Salust.
Catil.
*Paul 3. Col.
Rom. 12.

things, and fell at length to open defiance, hee could containe no longer, but hasting home, inuaded his territories, and professed open warre. Hatred stirs up contention. *Prov. 10. 12.* and they breake out at last into immortall enmity, into virulency, and more then *Vatinian* hate and rage, they persecute each other, their friends, followers, and all their posterity, with bitter taunts, hostile warres, scurrile inuectiues, libells, calumnies, fire and sword, and the like, and will not be reconciled. Witnesse that *Guelfe* and *Gibelline* faction in *Italy*: that of the *Adurni* and *Fregosi* in *Genoa*: that of *Cneius Papirius*, and *Quintus Fabius* in *Rome*: *Cesar* and *Pompey*: *Orleans* and *Burgundy* in *France*: *Torke* and *Lancaster* in *England*: Yea this passion so rageth many times, that it subuersts not men only, and families, but euen populous Citties, * *Carthage*, and *Corinth* can witnesse as much, and flourishing kingdomes are brought into a wilderness by it. This hatred, malice, faction, and desire of reuenge, inuented first all those racks and wheelles, strappadoes, brasen bulls, ferall engins, prisons, Inquisitions, seuerelawes to macerate and torment one another. How happy might wee bee, and end our time with blessed dayes, and sweet content, if we could containe our selues, and as wee ought to doe, put up iniuries, learne humility, meekenesse, patience, forget and forgiue, as in Gods word we are inioyned; compose such small controuersies amongst our selues, moderate our passions in this kinde, and thinke better of others, as *Paul* would haue vs, then of our selues: be of like affection one towards another, and not auenge our selues, but haue peace with all men. But being that wee are so peeuissh and peruerse, so factious and seditious, so malicious and envious: we doe inuicem angariare, maule and vexee one another, torture, disquiet, & precipitate our selues into that gulfe of woes and cares, aggravate our misery, and melancholy, and heape vpon vs hell and eternall damnation.

SUBSEC. 9.

Anger a cause.

m Grad. 1. c. 54

*Ira & moror,
& ingens animi
consernatio, me-
lancholicos facit.
Arateus.*

*Ira immodica
gignit insaniam.
o Reg. Janit. par-
te 2. cap. 8. in a-
pertam insaniam
mox ducitur i-
ratus.*

*P Gilbert. Cog-
nato interprete.
Multis & pre-
sertim senibus,
ira impotens in-
saniam fecit, &
importuna ca-
lumnia, hec ini-
tio perturbat animum, paulatim vergit ad insaniam. Porro mulierum corpora multa infestant, & in hunc morbum adducunt, precipue si
quæ oderint aut inuideant, &c. hec paulatim in insaniam tandem evadunt.*

Anger a perturbation, which carries the spirits outwards, preparing the body to melancholy, and madnesse it selfe: *Ira furor brevis est*: and as *m Piccolomineus* accounts it one of the three most violent passions. *n Arateus* sets it downe for an especiall cause, and so doth *Seneca* ep. 18. lib. 1. of this malady. *o Magninus* giues the reason, *ex frequenti ira supra modum calefiunt*, it over-heats their bodies, and if it be over-frequent, it breakes out into manifest madnesse, saith *S. Ambrose*. 'Tis a knowne saying, *furor fit la-
sa* (*sapius patientia*, the most patient spirit that is, if he be often prouoked, will be incensed to madnesse, it will make a Diuell of a Saint. And therefore *Basil* belike in his Homily *de Ira*, calls it *tenebras rationis, morbum animæ, & de-
monem pessimum*: the darkning of our vnderstanding and a bad angell. *p Lucian in Abdicato To. 1.* will haue this passion to worke this effect, especially in old men and women, *anger and calumny* (saith he) trouble them at first, & after a while breake out into open madnesse: many things cause fury in women, especially if they loue or hate ouermuch, or envy, or be much greiued, or angry: these

things

things by little and little, lead them on to this maladie. From a disposition they proceed to an habit, for there is no difference betwixt a madde man, and an angry man, in the time of his fit: Anger, as *Lactantius* describes it, *lib. de ira Dei ad Donatum, cap. 5.* is *seua animi tempestas*, &c. is a cruel tempest of the minde, making his eyes sparke fire, and stare, his teeth gnash in his head, his tongue stutter, his face pale, or red, and what more filthy imitation can be of a mad man. * *Ora tument ira, nigrescunt sanguine venae, Lumina Gorgoniæ senius angue micant.*

Seua animi tempestas tantos excitans fluctus, ut statim ardescant oculi, os tremat, lingua titubet, dentes crepant &c.
* *Ovid.*

* *Terence.*

They are void of reason, inexorable, blinde, like beasts and monsters for the time, say and doe they knowe not what, curse, sweare, rayle, fight, and what not? what can a mad man doe more? as he said in the comedy, *Iracundiâ non sum apud me*, I am not mine owne man. If these fits be immoderate, continue long, or be frequent, without doubt they prouoke madnesse. *Montanus consil. 21* had a melancholy Iew to his patient, he ascribes this for a principall cause, *Irascatur leuibus de causis*, hee was easily moued to anger. *Ajax* had no other beginning of his madnesse; and *Charles the 6.* that Lunaticke French King, fell into this misery, out of the extremity of his passion, desire of reuenge and malice, * incensed against the Duke of Britaine, hee could neither eat, drinke, nor sleepe for some dayes together, and in the end about the Calends of Iuly 1392, he became mad vpon his horse back, drawing his sword, and striking all came neere him promiscuously, and so continued all the dayes of his life, *Emil. lib. 10. Gall. Hist. Agesippus de excid. vrbis Hieros. lib. 1. cap. 37.* hath such a story of *Herod*, that out of an angry fit, became mad, and * leaping out of his bed, killed *Iosippus*, & plaid many such Bedlam pranks, all the Court could not rule him, for a long time after: sometimes he was sorry and repented, much grieued for that hee had done, by and by outrageous againe. In hot cholericke bodies, nothing so soone canseth madnesse, as this passion of Anger, besides many other diseases, as *Pelesius* obserues *cap. 21. lib. 1. de ham. affect. causis*; *sanguinem imminuit, fel auget*: and as * *Valesius* controuerts, *med. controu. lib. 5. contro. 8.* many times kills them quite out. If this were the worst of this passion, it were more tolerable, y but it ruines and subuersts whole townes, * citties, families & kingdoms, *Nulla pestis humano generi pluris stetit*, saith *Seneca de Ira lib. 1.* No plague hath done mankinde so much harme. Looke into our histories, and you shall almost meet with no other subiect, but what a * company of harebraines haue done in their rage. We may doe well therefore, to put this in our precession amongst the rest: From all blindnesse of heart, from pride, vaine glory, and hypocrisie, from envy, hatred and malice, anger, and all such pestiferous perturbations, good Lord deliuer vs.

* *Insensûs Britannie Duci, & in ultionem versis, nec cibum cepit, nec quietem, ad Calendas Iulias 1392 comites occidit, &c.*

* *Indignatione nimis furens, animiq; impotens, exilii de lecto, furentem non capiebat aula, &c.*

* *An ira possit hominem intermere.*

* *Abernethy.*

* *As Troy. se.*

* *ve memorem Iunonis ob iram.*

* *Stultorum regum & populorum continet & fluu.*

SVBSEC. 10.

Discontents, Cares, Miseries, &c. causes.

Discontents, cares, crosses, miseries, or what soeuer it is, that shall cause any molestation of spirits, griefe, anguish & perplexity, may well be reduced to this head, (preposterously placed heere in some mens Judgments they may seeme) yet in that *Aristotle* in his *Rhetoriske* defines these

* *Lib. 2. Invidia est dolor & ambitio est dolor &c.*

miseriaes wheresoever he turnes, as Bernard inferres, *Nunquid tentatio est vita humana super terram* a meere temptation is our life (Austin confess. lib. 10. cap. 28.) & quis potest molestias & difficultates pati? who can endure the miseries of it? † In prosperity, we are insolent and intollerable, dejected in aduersity, in all fortunes foolish and miserable. † In aduersity I wish for prosperity, and in prosperity I am afraid of aduersity; what mediocrity may bee found? where is no temptation? what condition of life is free? † Wisdom hath labour annexed to it; glory envy; riches and cares, children and incumbrances, pleasure and diseases, rest and beggery goe together: as if a man were therefore borne, (as the Platonists hold) to be punished in this life, for some precedent sinnes. Or that, as Pliny complaines, Nature may be rather accompted a stepmother, then a mother unto vs, all things considered: no creatures life so brittle, so full of feare, so mad, so furious; onely man is plagued with envy, discontent, griefes, conetousnesse, ambition, superstition. Our whole life is an Irish Sea, wherein there is nought to be expected but tempestuous stormes, & troublesome waues, no Halcyonian times, wherein no man can hold himselfe secure, or agree with this present estate: but as Boethius inferres, there is something in euery one of vs, which before tryall wee seeke, and hauing tryed, abhorre: † Wee earnestly wish and eagerly couet, and are eftsoones weary of it. Thus betwixt hope & feare, suspicions, angers, † Inter spemq; metumq; timores inter & iras, betwixt fallings in, fallings out &c. wee leade a contentious, discontent, tumultuous, melancholy, miserable life. Our townes & citties are but so many dwellings of humane misery. In which griefe and sorrow (as he right wel obserues out of Solon) innumerable troubles, labors of mortall men, and all manner of rites, are included as in so many pennes. Our villages are like mold hils, & men as so many Emots, busie, busie still, going to and fro, in and out, and crossing one anothers proiects, as the lines of seuerall Sea-cardes, cut each other, in a Globe, or Map. Now light and merry, but (as one followes it) by-and-by sorrowfull and heauy; now hoping, then distrustling; now patient, to morrow crying out; now pale, then red; running, sitting, sweating, trembling, haulting &c. Some few amongst the rest, or some one of a thousand, may be *Pullus Iouis*, in the worlds esteeme, or *Gallina filius alba*, an happy & fortunat man, because rich, faire, well allied, in honour & office: yet peradventure aske himselfe, & he will say, that of all others he is most miserable, & vnhappy. A faire shooe, *hic soccus novus, elegans*, as he said, *sed nescis ubi urat*, but thou knowst not where it pincheth. It is not another mans opinion can make me happy; but as Seneca well hath it, *He is a miserable wretch, that doth not accompt himselfe happy, though he be Soueraigne lord of a world: he is not happie, if he thinke himselfe not to be so: for what availeth it what thine estate is, or seeme to others, if thou thy selfe dislike it.* A common humour it is of all men to thinke well of other mens fortunes, and dislike their own: *cui placet alterius, sua nimirum est odio fors*: but *qui sit Mecenas, &c.* how comes it to passe, what's the cause of it? Many men are of such a peruerse nature, they are well

† In blandiēte fortuna intolērandi, in calamitatibus ingubres, semper stulti & miseri. Cardan.

† Prospera in aduersis desidero, & aduersa prosperis timeo, quis inter hac medius locus, ubi non sit humanae vitae tentatio.

† Cardan consol. Sapientiae labor annexus, gloriae inuidia, diuitiis cura, sololi solitudo, voluptatis morbi, quieti paupertas, ut quasi luendum scelorum causa nasci hominem possis, cum Platonistis agnoscere

o Lib. 7. cap. 1. Non satis assequi, an melior parens natura homini, an tristior nocere fuerit: nulli fragilior vita, pavor, confusio, rabies maior; unde animantium ambitio data luctus, avaritia, inuisus pitio.

† De consol. lib. 2. Nemo facile cum conditione sua concordat, inest singulis quod imperiti petant, experti horreant.

† Esse in honore iuvat, max displicet.

† Hor. † Borheus in 6 Job. V. bes &

epida nihil aliud sunt quam humanarum eorumque domicilia, quibus luctus & meror, & mortalium varij infinitiq; labores, & omnis generis vitia, quasi septis includuntur. * Nat. Chytreus delit. Europe. Letus nunc, mox tristis; nunc sperans, paulo post diffidens; patiens bodie, cras eiulans; nunc pallens, rubens, currens, sedens, claudicans, tremens &c. † Sua cuiq; calamitas precipua. † Cn. Gracinus * Ep. 9. lib. 7. Miser est qui se beatissimum non indicat, licet imperet mundo, non est beatus, qui se non putat: quis enim refert qualis status iure sit, si tibi videtur malus. * Hor. ep. 1. 4. † Hor. ser. 1. Sat. 1.

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² Lib. de curat.
græc. affect. cap.
6 de provident.
Multis nihil
placet, atq; adeo
et divitiis dam-
nant, et pauper-
tatem, de morbis
expostulant, be-
ne valentes gra-
viter ferunt,
atq; ut semel di-
cam, nihil eos
delectat, &c.

² Vix nullus
gentis, etatis, or-
dinis, hominem
invenies, cuius
felicitatem for-
tune Metelli
comparat Vol. 1.
^b P. Crassus Mu-
tius, quinq;
habuisse dicitur
rerum bonarum
maxima, quod
esset ditissimus,
quod esset nobi-
lissimus, eloque-
ntissimus, iuris-
consultissimus,
Pontifex maxi-
mus.

^c Lib. 7. Regis
filia, regis uxor,
regis mater.

^d Qui nihil
inquam mali
aut dixit, aut fe-
cit, aut sensit, qui
bene semper fe-
cit, quod aliter
facere non po-
tuit.

^e Salomon Ec-
cles. 1. 14.

^f Hor. Art. Poet.
[†] Iovius vita
eius.

pleased with nothing (saith ² Theodoret) neither with riches nor poverty, they complaine when they are well, and when they are sicke, grumble at all fortunes, prosperity and adversity; they are troubled in a cheape yeare, in a barren, plenty or not plenty, nothing pleaseth them, warre nor peace, with children, nor with-
out. This for the most part is the humor of vs all, to be discontent, miserable, and most vnhappy, as we thinke at least; and shew me him that is not so, or that euer was otherwise? Quintus Metellus his felicity is infinitely admired amongst the Romanes, in so much, that as ^a Paterculus mentioneth of him, you can scarce finde of any Nation, order, age, sexe, one for happinesse to be compared vnto him: he had in a word, bona animi, corporis, & fortuna, goods of minde, body, and fortune: so had P. Mutianus ^b Crassus. Lampsaca that La-
cedemonian Lady, was such another in ^c Plinies conceipt, a Kings wife, a Kings mother, a Kings daughter: and all the world esteemes as much of Poly-
crates of Samos. The Greekes bragge of their Socrates, Phocyon, Aristides, the Romans of their ^d Cato, Curins, Fabricius, for their composed fortunes, and re-
tired estates, gouernment of passions, and contempt of the world: Yet none of all these was happy, or free from discontent, neither Metellus, Crassus, nor Polycrates, for he died a violent death, and so did Cato. And how much euill doth Lactantius and Theodoret speake of Socrates, a weake man, and so of the
rest. There is no content in this life, but as ^e he said, all is vanity and vexation of spirit: lame and imperfect. Haddest thou Sampsons haire, Milo's strength, Scanderbeggs arme, Salomons wisdom, Absolons beauty, Crasus his wealth, Casars valor, Alexanders spirit, Tullyes or Demosthenes eloquence, Gyges ring, Perseus Pegasus and Gorgons head, Nestors yeares to come, all this would not make thee absolute, giue thee content, & true happinesse in this life, or con-
tinue it. Euen in the middest of all our mirth, jollity and laughter, is sorrow and griefe: or if there be true happinesse amongst vs, 'tis but for a time,

^f Desinit in piscem mulier formosa superne:

a faire morning turnes to a lowring afternoone. Brutus and Cassius, once re-
nowned, both eminently happy, yet you shall scarce finde two (saith Pater-
culus) quos fortuna maturius destituerit, whom fortune sooner forsook. Ham-
nibal a conquerer all his life, met with his match, and was subdued at last,

Occurrit forti, qui magis fortis erat.

One is brought in, in triumph, as Casar into Rome, Alcibiades into Athens, co-
ronis aureis donatus, crown'd, honoured, admired; by-and-by his statues demo-
lished, he hissed out, Massacred &c. + Magnus Gonsalua that famous Spani-
ard, was of the Prince and People at first honoured, approued; foorthwith
confined and banished. Admirandas actiones, graves plerumq; sequuntur in-
vidie, & acres calumnie: 'tis Polibius his obseruation, grievous enmities, &
bitter calumnies commonly follow renowned actions. One is borne rich,
dies a begger: sound to day, sicke to morrow: so many casualties there are,
that as Seneca said of a citty consumed with fire, Vna dies interest inter maxi-
mam civitatem & nullam, one day betwixt a great citty, and none: so many
grievances from outward accidents, and from our selues, our own indiscre-
tion, inordinate appetite, one day betwixt a man, and no man. And which is
worfe, as if discontents & miseries would not come fast enough vpon vs; ho-
mo homini demon, we maul, persecute, and study how to sting, gaule, & vex
one another with mutuall harred, abuses, iniuries, preying vpon, & devou-
ring,

ring, as so many & rauenuous birds, and as juglers, panders, bawdes, cosening one another, or raging as ^hwolues, tigers, and diuels: men are euill, wicked, malicious, treacherous, and tⁿought, not louing one another, or louing themselues, not hospirall, charitable, and sociable as they ought to be, but counterfait, dissemblers, ambo-dexters, all for their owne ends, hard-hearted, mercilesse, pitilesse, & to benefite themselues, they care not what mischief they procure to others. ⁱ *Praxinoc* and *Gorgo* in the Poët, when they had got in to see those costly sights, they then cryed, *benè est*, and would thrust out all the rest: when they are rich themselues, in honor, preferred, full, & haue euen what they would, they debarre others of those pleasures which youth requies, & they formerly haue inioyed. Hee sittes at table in a soft chaire at ease, but he doth not remember in the meane time, what a tired waiter stands behind him, an hungry fellow ministers to him full, he is a thirst that giues him drinke (saith * *Epictetus*) and is silent whilest hee speakes his pleasure, pensue sad when he laughes. *Pleno se proluit auro*; Hee feastes and profusely spends, hath variety of robes, sweete musicke, & all the pleasure that the world can afford, whilest many an hunger-starued poore creature pines in the street, wants clothes to couer him, is in great distresse & sorrow of heart. He lothes & scornes his inferiour, hates or emulates his equall, enuies his superior, insults ouer all such as are vnder him, as if hee were of another *Species*, a demigod, not subiect to any fall, or humane infirmities. Generally they loue not, are not beloued againe: They tyre out others bodies with continual labour, they themselues liuing at ease, caring for none els, *sibi nati*; and are so farre many times from putting to their helping hand, that they seeke all meanes to depresse, euen most worthy & well-deseruing, better then themselues, those whom they are by the Lawes of Nature, bound to relieue and helpe, as much as in them lies, they will let them cater-waule, sterue, beg and hang, before they will any wayes (though it be in their power) assist or ease them: ^k so vn naturall are they for the most part, so vnregardfull, so hard, so churlish, proud, insolent, so dogged, of so bad a disposition. And being so brutish, so diuelishly bent one towards another, how is it possible, but that wee should be discontent of all sides, full of cares, woes and miseries.

If this be not a sufficient prooffe of our discontent, examine euery condition & calling a-part. Kings, Princes, Monarches, and Magistrates seeme to be most happy, but looke into their estate, you shall finde ^l them to be most incumbred with cares, in perpetuall feare, agony, suspicion, jealousy: that as ^m he said of a Crowne, if they knew but the discontents that accompany it, they would not stoop to take it vp. *Quem mihi regem dabis* (saith ⁱ *Chrysostome*) *non curis plenum*? What King canst thou shew me, not full of cares? looke not on his Crowne, but consider his afflictions; attend not his number of seruants, but multitude of crosses. *Nihil aliud potestas culminis, quam tempestas mentis*, as *Gregory* seconds him; Soueraignty is a tempest of the Soule: *Scylla* like they haue braue titles, but terrible fittes: *splendor è titulo, cruciatum animo*: which made *Demosthenes* vow, * *si vel ad tribunal, vel ad interitum duceretur*; to be a Iudge, or be condèned, were put to his choice, he would be condèned. Rich men are in the same predicament: what their paines are, *stulti nesciunt*, *ipsi sentiunt*, they feele, fooles perceiue not, as I shall proue elsewhere, and their wealth is brittle, like childrens rattles: they come and goe, there is

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& Omnes hic aut captantur, aut captant: aut cadavera que lacervantur, aut corvi qui lacervant. *Petron.*

ⁿ Homo omne monstrum est. Ne nam superat feras, luposq; & urfos petiore obscurat regis. *Hens.*
† *Quid Patriculus de populo Romano, durante bello Punico per annos 115. aut bellum inter eos, aut belli preparatio, aut infida pax: idem ego de mundi accolis.*

ⁱ *Theocritus* Ed. ll. 15.

* *Quis sedet in mensa, non meminit sibi otioso ministrare negotiosos, edenti esurientes, bibenti sitientes &c.*

^k *Quando in adolescentia sua ipsi vixerint, laetius & liberius, voluptates suas expleverint illi gnatis imponunt duriores continentie leges.*

^l *Lugubris Ate luctuq; sero Regum tumidas obsidet arces.*

Res est inquieta felicitas.

^m *Plus aloes quam mellis habet. Non humi iacentem tolles. Valer. lib. 7. cap. 3.*

† *Non diadema aspicias, sed vitam afflictione refertam; non attendas satellitum, sed curarum multitudinem.*

* As *Plutarchus* relateth,

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no certainty in them; those whom they eleuate, they doe as suddenly de-
 presse, and leaue in a vale of misery. The middle sort of men are as so many
 asses to beare burdens; or if they be free, and liue at ease, they spend them-
 selues, and consume their bodies & fortunes with luxury & riot, contention,
 emulation, &c. The poore I referue for anotherⁿ place, & their discontents.
 For particular professions, I hold as of the rest, there's no content or security
 in any. On what course will you pitch, how resolute? To be a Diuine, 'tis
 contemptible in the worlds esteeme. To be a Lawyer, 'tis to be a wrangler.
 To be a Physitian, * *pudet lotij*, loathed. A Philosopher, a mad man; an Al-
 chymist, a begger. A Poet, *esurit*, an hungry lacke. A Musitian, a player. A
 Schoolemaster, a drudge. An Husbandman, an Emmet. A Merchant, his
 gaines are vncertaine. A Mechanitian, base. A Chirurgion, fullsome. A
 Tradesman, a[†] *liar*. A Taylor, a thiefe. A Scruiing-man, a flauie. A Souldier,
 a butcher. A Smyth, or a Mettleman, the por's neuer from's nose. A Cour-
 tier, a parasite: as he could finde no tree in the wood to hang himselfe: I can
 shew no state of life to giue content. The like you may say of all ages: chil-
 dren liue in a perpetuall slavery, still vnder that tyrannicall government of
 Masters: yong men, & of riper yeares, subiect to labour, & a thousand cares
 of this world; old are full of aches of their bones, crampes & convulsions,
 a burden to themselves and others, after 70 yeares, *all is sorrow* (as David
 speakes) they doe not liue, but linger. If they be sound, they feare diseases;
 if sicke, aweary of their liues: *Non est vivere, sed valere vita*. One complains
 of want, another of seruitude, P another of a secret or incurable disease, of
 some deformity of body, of some losse, danger, death of friends, shipwrack,
 persecution, imprisonment, disgrace, repulse, & contumely, calumny, abuse,
 iniury, contempt, vnkindnesse, seoffes, floutes, vnfortunate marriage, single
 life, too many children, no children, false seruants, vnhappy children, barren-
 nesse, banishment, oppression, frustrate hopes, & all ill successe &c.

Talia de genere hoc a deo sunt multa, loquacem ut

Delassare valent Fabium.

Fabius can-

not tell halfe of them; they are the subiect of whole Volumes, & shall some
 of them be more opportunely dilated elsewhere. In the meane time thus
 much I may say of them, that generally they crucifie the soule of man, [†] *attenuant*
 our bodies, dry them, wither them, rivell them vp as so many old
 apples, make them as so many Anatomies, (*† ossa atq; pellis est totus, ita curis*
macet) they make *tempus fœdum & squalidum*, cumbersome dayes, *ingrataq;*
tempora, slow, dull, and heauy dayes, make vs howle and roare, and teare our
 haire, as sorrow did in *Cebes* table, & groane for the very anguish of our
 soules. Our hearts faile vs, as *David* did, *Psalm. 40. 12. for innumerable troubles*
that compassed him; and we are ready to confesse with *Hezekiab*, *Isay 58. 17.*
behold for felicity I had bitter griefe: to weepe with Heraclitus, to curse the
 day of our birth, with *Jeremy 20. 14.* and our starres with *Iob*: and hold that
 axiome of *Silenus*, *u better neuer to haue beene borne, and the best next of all,*
to die quickly; or if we must liue, to abandon the world, as *Timon* did, creepe
 into caues and holes, as our Anchorites, cast all into the Sea, as *Crates The-*
banus: or as *Theombrotus*, *Ambrociato's* 400 auditors, precipitate our selues
 to be rid of these miseries.

SVBS. II.

ⁿ Sect. 2. memb.
4. subsect. 6.

* *Stercus & u-*
rina, medicorum
fercula prima.

† *Nihil lucrari,*
nisi admo-
dum mentiundo.
Tull. Offic.

o *Rarus felix*
idemq; senex.
Socrates in Her-
ateo.

p *Omitto egros,*
exules, captivos,
mendicos, quos
nemo audet fe-
lices dicere. Car-
dian lib. 8. c. 46.
de rer. var.

q *Spreteq; iniu-*
ria formæ.

r *Hor.*

s *Attenuant*
vigiles corpus
miserabile cure.

† *Plautus.*

t *Hec que cri-*
nes euellit, &
rumina.

u *Optimum non*
nasci, aut cui d
mori.

SUBSEC. II.

Concupiscible Appetite, as Desires, Ambition, causes.

THese Concupiscible and Irascible Appetites, are as the two twists of a rope, mutually mixt one with the other, and both twynning about the Heart: both good, as *Austin* holds *l. 14. c. 9. de civ. Dei*: *if they be moderate: both pernicious if they be exorbitant*. This Concupiscible appetite, howsoever it may seeme to carry with it a shew of pleasure and delight, and our Concupiscences most part affect vs with content, and a pleasing object, yet if they be in extreames, they racke & wring vs on the other side. A true saying it is, *Desire hath no rest*, is infinite in it selfe, endlesse, and as y one calls it, a perpetuall racke, ² or horse mill, according to *Austin*, still going round as in a ring. They are not so continuall, as divers, *facilius atomos de-numerare possem*, saith [†] *Bernard*, *quam motus cordis, nunc hac, nunc illa cogito*: you may as well reckon vp the motes in the Sunne, as them. ^a It extends it selfe to euery thing, as *Guianerius* will haue it, *that is superfluously sought after*: or to any ^b *feruent desire*, as *Fernelius* interprets it; bee it in what kinde soeuer, it tortures if immoderate, and is (according to ^c *Plater* and others) an especiall cause of Melancholy. *Multis concupiscentijs dilaniantur cogitationes meae*, ^d *Austin* confessed, that he was torne apieces with his manifold desires: and so doth ^e *Bernard* complaine, *that hee could not rest for them a minute of an houre: this I would haue, and that, and then I desire to be such and such*. Tis a hard matter therefore to confine them, being they are so various and many, vnpossible to apprehend all. I will onely insitt vpon some few of the chiefe, and most noxious in their kinde, as that exorbitant Appetite and Desire of Honour, which wee commonly call *Ambition*; Loue of mony, which is *Couetousnesse*, and that greedy desire of gaine, *Selfe-loue*, and inordinate desire of *Vaine-glory* or Applause, *Loue of Study* in excesse: *Loue of women*, (which will require a iust Volume of it selfe) of the other I will briefly speake, and in their order.

Ambition, a proud couetousnesse, or dry thirst of Honour, a great torture of the minde, composed of envy, pride, and couetousnesse, a gallant madnes, one ^f defines it, ^g *Ambrose*, *a canker of the soule, an hidden plague*: ^h *Bernard*, *a secret poyson, the father of liuor, & mother of hypocrisie, the moth of holinesse, and cause of madnes, crucifying and disquieting all that it takes hold of*. ⁱ *Seneca* calls it, *rem sollicitam, timidam, vanam, ventosam*, a windy thing, a vaine, sollicitous, and fearefull thing. For commonly they that like *Sisyphus*, rolle this restlesse stone of Ambition, are in a perpetuall ^k agony, still ^l perplexed, *semper taciti, tristescq; recedunt*, *Lucret*. doubtfull, timorous, suspitious, loath to offend in word or deed, still cogging & colloquing, embracing, capping, cringing, applauding, flattering, flatering, wayting, visiting at mens doores with all affability, counterfeited honesty and humility. If that will not serue, if once this humor (as ^m *Cyprian* describes it) possesse his thirsty soule, *ambitionis*

^x Bone si recta rationem sequitur, male si exorbitant.

^y Tho. Buonie. Prob. 81.

^z Molam asinariam.

[†] Tract. de Inter. cap. 62.

^a Circa quantibet rem mundi hoc passio fieri potest, que superflue diligitur. Tract. 15.

^b cap. 17.

^c Feruentius desiderium.

^d Imprimis verbi Appetitus &c.

^e 3. de alien. ment.

^f Conf. l. 1. c. 29.

^g Per diversa loca vagor, nullo temporis momento quiesco, talis es talis esse cupio, illud atq; illud habere desidero.

^h Ambition.

ⁱ Hall.

^j Ambros. lib. 3. super Lucam, erugo anime.

^k Nihil animus cruciat, nihil molestius inquit, secretum virus, pestis occulta &c. epist. 126.

^l Ep. 88.

^m Nihil infelicius his quantus vis timor, quanta dubitatio, quantus conatus, quanta sollicitudo, nulla illis a

molestius vacua hora. ¹ Semper attonitus, semper pavidus, quid dicat, faciatue: ne displiceat, humilitatem simulat, honestatem mentitur. ^m Cyp. prolog. ad ser. To. 2. cunctos honorat, universis inclinatur, subsequitur, obsequitur, frequenter curas, visitat optimates, amplexatur, applaudit, adulatur: per fas & nefas e latebris, in omnem gradum ubi aditus patet, se ingerit, discurret.

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ⁿ Turbe cogit
ambitio re-
gem inferire.
ut Homerus A-
gamemnonem
querentem in-
ducit.

^o Plutarchus.
Quin conuiue-
mur, & in otio
nos oblectemus,
quoniam in
promptu id nobis
fit, &c.

^p Ut hedera ar-
bori adheret, sic
ambitio &c.

^q Lib.3. de con-
temptu rerum
fortuitarum.

Magno conatu
& impetu mo-
uentur, super
eodem centro
rotati, non profi-
ciunt, nec ad fi-
nem perveni-
unt.

^r Vita Pyrrhi.

^s Ambitio in in-
saniam facile
delebitur, si ex-
cedat. Patritius
l.4. tit.20. de
regis insti.

^t Lib.5. de rep.
cap.1.

^x Imprimis ve-
ro appetitus, seu
concupiscentia
nimia rei alicu-
ius, honeste vel
inhoneste, phan-
tasiam ledunt,
unde multi am-
bitiosi, Philauti,
irati, avari, in-
sani, &c. Felix
Plater. l.3. de
mentis alien.

^y Aulica vita
colluvies ambi-
tionis, cupidita-
tis, simulationis,
imposturae, frau-
dis, invidie, su-
perbie Titanie,
diversorum au-
la, & commune
conventiculum
assentandi arti-
ficum &c. Bu-
daeus de ass.

lib.5.

^z Plautus Cur-
cul. Act.4. Sc.1

salsugo ubi bibulam animam possidet, by hooke and by crooke he will obtaine it, and from his hole he will climbe to all honours and offices, if it be possible for him to get vp, flattering one, bribing another, he will leaue no meanes vnassayd to win all. It is a wonder to see how flauishly these kinde of men will subiect themselves, when they are about a canvas, to euery inferiour person, what paines they will take, runne, ride, cast, plot & countermine, protest & sweare, vow, promise, what labours vndergoe, earely vp, downe late; how obsequious & affable they are, how popular and courteous, how they grinne & fliere vpon euery man they meet; what feasting & inviting; how they spend themselves & their fortunes, in seeking that many times, which they had much better be without; as ^o Cyneas the Orator told *Pyrrhus*: with what waking nights, painfull houres, anxious thoughts, and bitternesse of minde, *inter spem q, metum q,* distracted and tired, they spend the *interim* of their time. There can bee no greater plague for the present. If they doe obtaine their sute, which with such cost and sollicitude they haue sought, they are not so freed, their anxiety is anew to begin, for they are neuer satisfied, & but as a dog in a wheele, a bird in a cage, or a squirrell in a chaine. so ^q *Budaeus* compares them; they climbe & climbe still, with much labour, but neuer make an end, neuer at the top. A Knight would be a Baronet, and then a Lord, and then an Earle, &c. a Doctor, a Deane, and then a Bishop: from Tribune to Praetor: from Bailiffe to Maior: first this office, and then that; as *Pyrrhus* in ^r *Plutarch*, they will first haue *Greece*, then *Africke*, and then *Asia*; and swell with *Aesops* frog so long, till in the end they burst, or come downe with *Seianus*, ad *Gemonias* *scalas*, and breake their owne neckes: or as *Euangelus* the piper in *Lucian*, that blew his pipe so long, till hee fell downe dead. If hee chance to misse, and haue a canvas, hee is in a hell on the other side; so deiected, that he is ready to hang himselfe, turne Hereticke, Turke, or Traytor in an instant. Enraged against his enemies, hee railes, sweares, fights, slaunders, detracts, envies, murders: and for his owne part, *si appetitum explere non potest, furore corripitur*; if he cannot satisfie his desire (as ^u *Bodine* obserued) he runnes mad. So that both wayes, hit or misse, he is distracted so long as his Ambition lasts, hee can looke for no other but anxiety and care, discontent and grieffe in the meane time, ^x madnesse it selfe, or violent death in the end. The event of this is commonly to be seene in populous Citties, or in Princes Courts: for a Courtiers life (as *Budaeus* describes it) is a *gal- limaus* fry of ambition, lust, fraud, imposture, dissimulation, detraction, envy, pride, the Court a common conuenticle of flatterers, time-servers, polititians, &c. If you will see such discontented persons, there you shall likely finde them. † And which he obserued of the markets of old Rome,

Qui periurum conuenire vult hominem, mitto in Comitium;

Qui mendacem & gloriosum, apud Cluacina sacrum;

Dites, damnosos maritos, sub basilicâ querito, &c:

Perjur'd knaues, Knights of the Post, liers, crackers, bad husbands, &c: keepe their seuerall stations, they doe so still, and alwayes did, in euery Common wealth.

φιλαρνεια. Covetousnesse a cause.

Plutarch, in his 2 booke whether the diseases of the body, be more grievous then those of the soule; is of opinion, that if you will examine all the causes of our miseries in this life, you shall finde them most part, to haue had their beginning from stubborne anger, or that furious desire of contention, or some iniust or immoderate affection, as Covetousnesse, &c. From whence are warres and contentions amongst you, * S. James asks: I will add vsury, fraud, rapine, Simony, oppression, lying, swearing, bearing false witnesse, &c. are they not from this fountaine of covetousnesse, that greedinesse in getting, tenacity in keeping, sordidity in spending; that they are so wicked, † iniust against God, their neighbour, themselves, all comes hence. The desire of mony is the root of all euill, and they that lust after it, peirce themselves through with many sorrowes, 1. Tim. 6. 10. Hippocrates therefore in his Epistle to Crateua an Herbalist, giues him this good counsel, that if it were possible, ^a amongst other hearbs, he should cut vp that weed of covetousnesse by the roots, that there be no remainder left, and then know this for a certainty, that together with their bodies, thou maist quickly cure all the diseases of their minds. For it is indeed the patterne, Image, Epitome of all Melancholy, the fountaine of many miseries, much discontent, care and woe; this inordinate, or immoderate desire of gaine, to get or keepe mony, as ^b Bonauenture defines it: or as Austin describes it, a madnesse of the Soule; Gregory a torture, Chrysostome, an insatiable drunkennesse; Cyprian, blindness, *speciosum supplicium*, a plague subverting kingdoms, families, and incurable disease; Budeus, an ill habit; yeelding to no remedies; neither *Aesculapius* nor *Plutus* can cure them: a continuall plague, saith Solomon, and vexation of spirit, another Hell. I knowe there be some of opinion, that covetous men are happy, & worldly wise, only wise, that there is more pleasure in getting of wealth then in spending, and that there is no delight in the world like vnto it. 'Twas * Bias problem of old, with what art thou not weary with getting mony. what is most delectable to gaine. What is it, trowe you, that makes a poore man labour all his life time, carry such great burdens, fare so hardly, macerate himselfe, & endure so much misery, vndergoe such base offices with so great patience, to rise vp early and lye downe late, if there were not an extraordinary delight in getting and keeping of this mony? What makes a Marchant that hath no need, *satis super ergo domi*, to range all ouer the world, through all those intemperate Zones of heat and cold; voluntarily to venture his life, and be content with such miserable famine, nasty vsage, in a stinking ship; if there were not a pleasure and hope to get mony, which doth season the rest, & mitigate his paines? What makes them goe into the bowels of the earth, an hundreth faddome deepe, endangering their dearest liues, enduring damps and filthy smells, when they haue enough already, if they could be content, and no such cause to labour, but an extraordinary delight they rake in riches? This may seeme plausible at first shew, a popular and strong argument: but let him that so thinkes, consider better of it, and hee shall soone perceauce, that it is farre otherwise then

^a Tom. 2. ff. examines, omnes miserie causas, vel a contumacia ira, vel a furioso contendendi studio, vel ab iniusta cupiditate, originem traxisse sci-
^b Idem fide Chrysostomus com. in cap. 6. ad Roman. ser. 11.

* Cap. 4. 1.

† Vt sit iniquus in deum, in proximum, in seipsum.

^a Si verò, Crateua, inter ceteras barbarum radices, auaritie radicem secare posses, amaram, si nulle reliquie essent, probe scito &c.

^b Cap. 6. Dicitur salutis; auaritia est amor immoderatus pecunie vel acquirende vel retinende.

^c Ferum profecto dirumq; vltius animi, remedijs non cedens, medendo exasperatur.

^d Malus est morbus maleq; afficit auaritia, si quidem eenseo, &c. auaritia difficilis curatur quam infamia; quo iam hac omnes ferè medici laborant. Hippocr. ep. Abderis.

^e Extremos curat mercator ad Indos, Hor.

* Quare non es lassus lucrum faciundo. quid maxime delectabile? lucrari.

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then he supposeth: it may be happily pleasing at the first, as most part all melancholy is, or such men may haue some *lucida intervalla*, pleasant symptoms intermixt, but you must note that of * *Chrysostome*, 'tis one thing to be rich, another to be covetous, generally they are all fooles, dizards, mad-men, miserable wretches, liuing besides themselves, *sine arte fruendi*, in perpetuall slavery, feare, suspition, sorrow, and discontent, *plus aloes quam mellis habent*. and are indeed, rather possessed by their mony, then possessors, as * *Cyprian* hath it, *mancipati pecunijs*, bound prentise to their goods, as * *Pliny*; or as *Chrysostome*, *serui diuitiarum*, slaues and drudges to their substance; and wee may conclude of them all, as † *Valerius* doth of *Ptolomeus* king of *Cyprus*, *hee was in tisle a king of that Island, but in his minde, a miserable drudge of mony.*

—* *potiore metallis**libertate carens*—

wanting his liberty, which is better then gold. *Damasippus* the *Stoicke* in *Horace*, proues that all mortall men dote by fits, some one way, some another, but that covetous men are smadder then the rest: and hee that shall truely looke into their estates, and examine their symptoms, shall finde no better of them, but that they are all ^h fooles, as *Nabal* was, *Re & nomine* (1. Reg. 15) For what greater folly can there bee, or ⁱ madnesse, then to macerate himselfe when he need not? and when as *Cyprian* notes, ^k he may be freed from his burden, and eased of his paines, will goe on still, his wealth increasing, when he hath enough to get more, to liue besides himselfe, to starue his *Genius*, keepe backe from his wife ^m and children, neither letting them, nor other friends vse or enioy that which is theirs by right, and which they much need perhaps; like a hog, or dog in the manger, he doth only keepe it because it shall doe no body else good, hurting himselfe and others; and for a little momentary good, damne his owne soule. They are commonly sad and tetricke by nature, as *Achabs* spirit was because hee could not get *Naboths* vineyard, (1. Reg. 22) and if he lay out his mony at any time, though it bee to necessary vses, to his owne childrens good, he brawles and scolds, his heart is heauy, much disquieted he is, and loth to part from it: *miser abstinet, & timet uti*, *Hor.* He is of a wearish, dry, pale, constitution, and cannot sleepe for cares & worldly businesse, his riches, saith *Solomon*, will not let him sleepe, and vnecessary businesse which he heapeth on himselfe; or if he doe sleepe, 'tis a very vnquiet, interrupt, vnpleasing sleepe: with his bagges in his armes,

—congestis undiq; saccis

Indormit inhians.—

And though he be at a banquet, or at some merry feast, he sighes for grieffe of heart (as ⁿ *Cyprian* hath it) and cannot sleepe though it be vpon a downe bed; his wearish body takes no rest, ^o troubled in his abundance, and sorrowfull in plenty, unhappy for the present, and more unhappy in the life to come. *Basil.* He is a perpetuall drudge, ^p restlesse in his thoughts, and neuer satisfied, a slaue, a wretch, a dust worme, *semper quod idolo suo immolet sedulus obseruat*, *Cypr. prolog. ad sermon.* still seeking what sacrifice he may offer to his golden God, *per fas & nefas*, he cares not how, his trouble is endlessse, *crescunt diuitia, tamen curae nescio quid semper abest rei*: his wealth increaseth, and the

* *Hom. 2. aliud avarus aliud diues.*† *Diuitia ut spinae animam hominis timoribus, sollicitudinibus, angoribus mirifice pungunt, vexant, cruciant.**Greg. in hom.** *Epist. ad Donat cap. 2.** *Lib. 9. ep. 30.*† *Lib. 9. car. 4. In sile rex titulo, sed animo pecunie miserabile mancipium.** *Hor. 10. lib. 1. Danda est Hel-lebori multo pars maxima avaris.*^h *Luk. 12. 20. Stulte hac nocte eripiam animam tuam.*ⁱ *Opes quidem mortalibus sunt dementia. Theog.** *Ep. 2. lib. 2.**Exonerare cum se possit & releuare panderibus pergit magis fortunis auentibus pertinaciter incubare.*^m *Non amicis, non liberis, non ipsi sibi quidquam impetit, possidet ad hoc tantum, ne possidere alteri liceat, &c.**Hieron. ad Pantin. tam deest quod habet quam quod non habet.** *Epist. 2. lib. 2.**Suspirat in conuiuio, bibit licet gemmis & toro molliore marcidum corpus contiderit, vigilat in pluma.*^o *Angustatur ex abundantia, con-**tristatur ex opulentia, infelix presentibus bonis felicius in futuris. p. Illorum cogitatio nunquam cessat qui pecunias supplere diligunt.**Gemmer. tract. 15. cap. 17.*^q *Hor. 3. Od. 24. Quo plus sunt poti plus sciuntur aquae.*

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more he hath, the more he wants: like *Pharaohs* leane kine, which deuoured the fat, and were not satisfied. *Austin* therefore defines covetousnesse, *quarumlibet rerum inhonestam & insatiabilem cupiditatem*, an vn honest & vn-satiable desire of gaine: and in one of his Epistles compares it to Hell, which deuours all, and yet neuer hath enough, a bottomlesse pit; an endlesse misery; & that which is their greatest curse, they are in continuall suspition, feare, and distrust. He thinks his owne wife and children are so many theeues, and goe about to cosen him, his seruants are all false:

*Rem suam perijisse, seq. eradicarier,
Et diuum atq. hominum clamat continuu fidem,
De suo tigillo (i qua exit foras.*

If his doores creeke, then out he cries anon,

His goods are gone, and he is quite vndone.

Timidus Plutus, an old proverbe, as fearefull as *Plutus*: so doth *Aristophanes*, and *Lucian* bring him in fearefull still, pale, anxious, and suspitious, trusting no man. "They are afraid of tempests for their corne; they are afraid of their friends least they should aske something of them, beg, or borrowe; they are afraid of their enemies least they hurt them; theeues least they rob them; they are afraid of warre and afraid of peace, afraid of rich and afraid of poore, afraid of all. Last of all they are afraid of want that they shal die beggars, which makes them lay vp still, and dare not vse what they haue: what if a deare yeare come or dearth, or some losse? & were it not that they are loath to lay out money on a rope, they would be hanged forthwith, and sometimes dye to saue charges, and make away themselves, if their corne & cattle miscarry; though they haue abundance left, as *Agellius* notes. *Valerius* makes mention of one that in a famine, sold a mouse for 200 pence, and famished himselfe: Such are their cares, a griefes, and perpetuall feares. These symptoms are elegantly expressed by *Theophrastus* in his Character of a covetous man, *lyzing in bed, he asks his wife whether shee shut the trunks, and chests fast, the capcase be sealed, and whether the Hall doore be bolted, and though shee say all is well, he riseth out of his bed in his shirt bare-foot and bare-legged, to see whether it be so, with a darke lanthorne searching euery corner, scarce sleeping a winke all night.* *Lucian* in that pleasant and witty dialogue called *Gallus*, brings in *Mycillus* the Cobler disputing with his Cocke, sometimes *Pythagoras*: where after much speech *Pro* and *Con*, to proue the happinesse of a meane estate, and discontents of a rich man, *Pythagoras* his Cock in the end, to illustrate by examples that which he had said, brings him to *Gnyphon* the Usurers house at mid-night, and after that to *Eucrates*: whom they found both awake, casting vp of their accounts, and telling of their mony, leane, dry, pale, and anxious, still suspecting least some body should make a hole through the wall, and so get in, or if a Rat or Mouse did but stirre, starting vp on a suddaine, and running to the dore to see whether all were fast. *Plautus* in his *Aulularia*, makes old *Euclio* commanding *Staphyla* his wife to shut the doores fast, and the fire to bee put out, least any body should make that an errant to come to his house; when he washed his hands, he was loath to

¹ Hor. l. 2. Sat. 6
O si angulus ille
Proximus acce-
dat, qui nunc de-
format agellum.

² Lib. 3. de lib.
arbit. Immoritur
studij & amore
senescit habendi.

³ Avarus vir
inferno est simi-
lis, &c. modum
non habet, hoc
egentior quo
plura habet.

⁴ Eras. Adag.
chil. 3. cent. 7.

pro. 72. Nulli fi-
dentes omnium

formidant opes,
ideo pauidum

malum vocat
Euripides mictu-

unt tempestates
ob frumentum,

amicos ne rogent
inimicos ne le-

clant, furcs ne
rapiant, bellum

timent, pacem ti-
ment, rummos,

medios, infimos.
⁵ Hall. Char.

⁶ Agellius lib. 3
cap. 1. interdum

eo sceleris perue-
niunt ob lucrum

ut vitam pro-
priam commutent.

⁷ Lib. 7. cap. 6.
⁸ Omnes perpe-

tuo morbo agi-
tantur, suspica-

tur omnes timi-
di, si q. ob au-

rum invidiam pi-
ta nunquam

quiescens. Plin.
Proem. lib. 14.

⁹ Cap. 18. in le-
cto meens inter-

rogat uxorem
an atcam probe

clausit, an cap-
sula &c. E lecto

surgens nudus et
absq. calceis, ac-

censa incensa
omnia obiens et

lustrans, & vix
somnia indulgens

¹⁰ Curis extenuatus, vigilans & secum supputans. ¹¹ Cane quoniam alienum in aedes intramiseris, ignem extingui volo ne caute quid-
quam sit quod te quisquam queritet. Si bona fortuna veniat ne intramiseris. Occlude sis fores ambobus postulis. Discretior animi quie
domo abundum est mihi. Nimis hercule inuitus abeo, nec quidquam scio. ¹² Ploras aquam profundere, &c. perijt, dum sumus de ijs
gillis exit foras.

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fling away the fowle water, that he was vndone because the smoke got out of the rooffe. And as hee went from home, seeing a Crow scrat vpon the muck hill, returned in all hast, taking it for *malum omen*, an ill signe, his mony was digged vp, with many such. He that will but obserue their actions, shall finde these and many such passages not faigned for sport, but really performed, verified indeed by such couctous and miserable wretches, & that it is,

* *Inv. Sat. 14.** *manifesta phrenesis**Vt locuples moriaris egenti viuere fatis.*

A meere madnesse, to liue like a wretch, to die rich.

S V B S E C. 13.

Loue of gaming, &c. and pleasures, immoderate: causes.

IT is a wonder to see, how many poore, distressed, miserable wretches, one shall meet almost in euery path and street, begging for an almes, that haue beene well descended, & sometimes in flourishing estate, now ragged, tottered, and ready to be starued, lingering out a painefull life, in discontent and grieve of body and minde; and all through immoderate lust, gaming, pleasure, riot. And 'tis the common end of all sensuall Epicures and brutish prodigalls, that are stupified and carried away headlong with their seuerall pleasures and lusts. *Cebes* in his table, *S. Ambrose* in his second booke of *Abel* and *Cain*, and amongst the rest *Lucian* in his tract *de Mercede conductis*, hath excellent well deciphered such mens proceedings in his picture of *Opulentia*, whom he faignes to dwell on the toppe of an high mount, much sought after by many sutors: at their first comming they are generally entertained by *Pleasure* and *Dalliance*, and haue all the content that possibly may bee given, so long as their mony lasts: but when their meanes faile, they are contemptibly thrust out at a backe doore headlong, and there left to *Shame*, *Reproach*, *Despaire*. And hee at first that had so many attendants, parasites, and followers, young and lusty, richly arrayed, and all the dainty fare that might be had, with all kinde of welcome and good respect, is now vpon a sudden stript of all, ^f pale, naked, old, diseased, and forsaken, cursing his starres, & ready to strangle himselfe; hauing no other company but *Repentance*, *Sorrowe*, *Griefe*, *Derision*, *Beggery*, and *Contempt*, which are his dayly attendants to his liues end. As the ^g prodigall sonne had exquisite musicke, merry company, dainty fare at first; but a sorrowful reckning in the end: so haue all such vaine delights and their followers. ^h *Tristes voluptatum exitus*, & *quisquis voluptatum suarum reminisci volet, intelliget*, as bitter as gaule and wormewood is their last, grieve of minde, madnesse. The ordinary rockes vpon which such men doe impinge and precipitate themselves, are *Cardes*, *Dice*, *Hawkes*, and *Hounds*, *Insanum venandi studium*, one calls it, *insane substructiones*, their mad structures, disports, playes, &c. when they are vnseasonably vsed, imprudently handled, and beyond their fortunes. Some men are consumed by mad phantasticall buildings, by making *Walkes*, *Orchards*, *Gardens*, *Bowers*, and such places of pleasure, *Inutiles domos*, ⁱ *Xenophon* calls them, which howsoeuer they be delightfome things in themselves, and acceptable to all beholders, an ornament, and besitting some great men: yet vnprofitable to others,

* Such another picture you shall haue in *S. Ambrose* second booke of *Abel* and *Cain*.

* *Ventricosus, nudus, pallidus, leuā pudorem occultans, dextrā seipsum stranguans, occurrit autem exeuanti penitentia bis miserum conficiens, &c.*

2 *Luk. 15.*

^h *Boethius.*

ⁱ In *Oeconom.* quid si nunc ostendam eos qui magnā vi argenti domus inutiles edificant, inquit *Socrates*.

and the sole ouerthrowe of their estates. *Foreſtus* in his obseruations hath an example of such a one, that became melancholy vpon the like occasion; hauing consumed his substance on such an vnprofitable building, which would afterward yeeld him no aduantage. Others, I say, are ^k ouerthrowne by those mad disports of Hauking and Hunting; honest recreations & fit for some great men, but not for euery base inferiour person; whilest they will maintaine their Faulkoners, Dogs, and hunting Nagges, their wealth, saith *Salmutze*, runnes away with Dogges, and their fortunes fly away with Haukes. They persecute beasts so long, till in the end they themselves degenerate into beasts, as *m Agrippa* taxeth them, ⁿ *Aſſe* on like: for as hee was eaten to death by his owne Dogges, so doe they deuoure themselves and their patrimonies, in such idle and vnneccessary disports, neglecting in the meane time their more necessary businesse, and to follow their vocations.ouer mad too sometimes are our great men in following of it, doting too much on it. ^o when they driue poore husbandmen from their tillage, as *Sarisburyensis* obiects *polycrat. lib. 1. cap. 4.* and fling downe country farms, and whole townes, to make Parkes, and Forrests, staruing men to feed beasts, and ^q punishing in the meane time such a man that shall molest their game, more seuerely then him that is otherwise a common hacker or a notorious theefe. But great men are some waies to be excused; the meaner sort haue no euasion why they should not be counted mad. *Poggius* the *Florentine* tells a merry story to this purpose, condemning the folly and impertinent businesse of such kinde of persons. A Phisition of *Millan*, saith he, that cured mad men, had a pit of water in his house in which he kept his patients, some vp to the knees, some to the girdle, some to the chinne, *pro modo insanie*, as they were more or lesse affected. One of them by chance that was well recovered, stood in the doore, & seeing a gallant ride by with an Hauke on his fist, well mounted, with his Spaniels after him, would needs knowe to what vse all this preparation serued; hee made answere to kill certaine fowle: the patient demanded againe, what his fowle might be worth which he killed in a yeare; he replied 5 or 10 Crownes; and when he vrged him farther, what his Dogges, Horse, and Haukes stood him in, he told him 400 Crownes: with that the patient bad him be gone as hee loued his life and welfare; for if our master come and finde thee here, he will put thee in the pit amongst mad-men vp to the chinne: Taxing the madnes and folly of such vaine men that spend themselves in such idle sports, neglecting their businesse and necessary affaires. *Leo Decimus*, that hunting Pope, is much discommended by ^r *Iouius* in his life, for his immoderate desire of hauking and hunting, in so much, that (as he saith) he would sometimes liue about *Ostia* weekes and moneths together, and leaue suters ^s vnrespected, Bulls and Pardons vsigned, to his owne preiudice, and many priuate mens losse. ^t And if he had been by chance crossed in his sport, or his game not so good, he would be so impatient, that he would reuile and miscall many times men of great worth with most bitter taunts, and looke so sowre, and bee so angry and waspish, so grieved and molested that it is incredible to relate it. But if he had good sport, and had beene well pleased on the other side, *incredibili muni-*

^k *Sarisburyensis*
Polycrat. lib. 1.

^{cap. 4.} *venatores omnes ad huc institutionem redolent Centauro-rum. Ra d in-venitur quisque eorum modestus & grauis, raro continens, & vix credo, sobrius unquam.*

^l *Pancrol Tit. 23.* *avolant opes cum accipere.*

^m *Insignis venatorum stultitia, & supervacanea cura eorum, qui dum nimis venationi insunt, ipsi abiecti a omni humanitate in feras degenerant, ut Aſſe-on, &c.*

ⁿ *Sabin in Ouid Metamor.*

^o *Agrippa de vanit. scient. In-sanum venandi studium, dum a novatibus arcentur agricolae, subtrahuntur praedia rusticis, agrorum colonis. praedunduntur silvae & prata pastoribus, ut augeantur pascula feris.*

⁻⁻⁻ *Maiestas reus agricola si gustarit.*

^p *A novatibus suis arcentur agricolae dum ferre habeant vagandi libertatem: istis, ut pascula augeantur, praedia subtrahuntur &c.* *Sarisburyensis.*

^q *Feris quam hominibus equiores Camba. de Guil. Conq. qu*

36. *Ecclesi 4. matrices depopulatus est ad Forestam novam. Mat. Paris. Tom. 2. de vitis illustrum. l. 4. de vit. Leon. 10^m. Venationibus adeo perdit studebat & aucupijs. Aut infeliciter venatus tam impatiens inde, ut summos saepe viros acerbissimis consumelijs oneraret, & incredibile est qualis vultus animiq; habitu dolorem Iracundiamq; preferret, &c.*

^u Vnicuique autē
hoc à natura in-
fuit, ut do-
leat si ubi erra-
uerit aut decep-
tus sit.

^x Iuven. Sat. 8.

Nec enim loculis
comitantibus

itur Ad casum

tabule, posita

sed luditur arca.

Lemnius instit.

cap. 44. menda-

ciorum quidem

et peritiorum,

et paupertatis

mater est alea,

nullum habens

patrimonij reue-

rentiam, quom-

illud effuderit.

Sensum in furta

delabitur et ra-

pinas. Savi. poli-

crat. lib. 1. c. 5.

^y Plutarchus in Ari-

stoph. calls all

such gamblers

mad men Si in

insanum homi-

nem contigero.

Spontaneum ad

se trahunt furo-

rem, et os et

nares et oculos

vivos faciunt

furore et dimer-

soria. Chrysost.

hom. 71.

^z Seneca.

^a Hall.

^b In Sat. 11.

Sed deficiente

crumena: et cre-

sciente gula quis

de manet exitus.

---rebus in ve-

stem mersis.

^{*} Spartian A-

driano.

[†] Fines Morison.

^c Poculum quasi

sinus, in quo se-

pē naufragium

faciunt, in clura

tum pecunie tu-

mentis. Erasim.

in Proverb. cali-

sum remiges.

chil. 4. cent. 7.

Prov. 41.

^d Libere unus

hore insaniam

eterno temporis

radio pensant.

scientia, with unspeakable bounty he would reward all his fellow hunters, and deny nothing to any suter when he was in that mood. To say truth, 'tis the common humour of all gamesters, as *Galatens* obserues, if they winne no men living are so iouiall and merry, ^u but if they loose, though it be but a trifle, two or three games at tables, or a dealing at Cardes for two pence a game, they are so cholericke and retty that no man may speake with them, and breake many times into violent passions, oaths, imprecations, and vnbeseeching speeches, little differing from mad men for the time. General-ly of all Gamsters and gaming, if it be excessiue, thus much we may conclude that whether they win or loose for the present, their winnings are not, *Mu-nera fortune sed insidia*, as that wise *Seneca* determines, not fortunes gifts but baits, the common *Catastrophe* is ^{*} beggery, for a little pleasure they rake, and some small gaines and gettings now and then, their wiues & chil-dren are wringed in the meane time, and they themselues rue it in the ende. I will say nothing of those prodigious prodigalls, and ^y madde Sybariticall spendthrifts, *quig. vna comedunt patrimonia mensa*, that eat vp al at a break-fast, or at a supper, or amongst Bauds, Parasites, and Players, consume them-selues in an instant, ^z *Irati pecunijs*, as hee saith, angry with their money: ^a *what with a wanton eye, a liquorish tongue, a gamesome hand*, when they haue vndiscreetly impouerished themselues, and entombed their ancestors faire possessions in their bowels, they may lead the rest of their dayes in pri-son, as many times they doe, and there repent at leasure; & when all is gone beginne to be thrifty: but *Sera est in fundo parsimonia*, 'tis then too late to looke about; their end is misery, sorrow, shame, and discontent. and wel they deserue to be infamous and discontent, ^{*} *Catamidiarii in Amphitheatro*, as by *Adrian* the Emperours edict they were of old, *descoctores bonorum suorum*, so he calls them, prodigall fooles, to bee publikely shamed, and hissed out of all ciuill societies, rather then to be pittied, or relieued. At [†] *Padua* in *Italy* they haue a stone, called *the stone of Turpitude* nere the Senat house, where spendthrifts, and such as disclaime non-payment of debts, doe sit with their hinder parts bare, that by that note of disgrace, others may be terrified for all such vaine expence, or borrowing more then they can tell how to pay.

I may not here omit those two maine plagues and common dorages of humane kinde, Wine and Women, which haue infatuated & besotted My-riades of people. To whom is sorrow, saith *Solomon*, *Prov. 23. 29.* to whom is woe, but to such a one as loues drinke? it causeth torture, and bitterneffe of minde, *Sirac. 31. 21.* *Vinum furoris*, *Jeremy* calls it, *25. cap.* wine of madnesse, as well he may, for *insanire facit sanos*, it makes sound men sicke and sad, and wise men ^c mad. A true saying it was of him, *Vino dari latitiam et dolorem*, drinke causeth mirth, and drinke causeth sorrow, drinke causeth pouerty and want, (*Prov. 21.*) *shame and disgrace. Multi ignobiles evasere ob vini potum*, & (*Austin*) *amissis honoribus profugi aberrarunt*: Many men haue made shipwracke of their fortunes, and goe like rogues and beggars, that other- wise might haue liued in good worship and happy estate, and for a fewe houres pleasure, or ^d free madnesse, as *Seneca* tearmes it, purchase vnto them-selues eternall tediousnesse and trouble.

That other madnesse is women, *Apostatare facit cor*: saith the wise man, pleasant at first she is, and like *Dioscorides Rhododaphne*, that faire plant to the

the eye, but poyson to the tast, and the rest as bitter as wormewood in the end (Prov. 5. 4.) and sharpe as a two-edged sword. (7. 21.) *her house is the way to hell, and goes downe to the chambers of death.* What more sorrowfully can be said; they are miserable in this life, madde, beasts, led like *Oxen to the slaughter*: and that which is worse, whoremasters and drunkards shall bee iudged: *amittunt gratiam, saith Austin, perdunt gloriam, incurrunt damnationem eternam*, They loose grace and glory, and gaine hell and eternall damnation.

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Prov. 5.

S v b s c. 14.

Philantia, or Selfe-loue, Vaine-glory, Praise, Honour, Immoderate applause, Pride, ouer-much Ioy, &c. causes.

Selfe-loue, Pride, and Vaine-glory, which *Chrysostome* calls one of the Diuels three great Nets; *Bernard*, an arrow which pierceth the Soule through, and slayes it; a slye insensible enemy, not perceined. Where neither anger, lust, couetousnesse, feare, sorrow &c. nor any other perturbation can lay hold; this will slyly and insensibly peruert vs, *Quem non gula vicit, Philantia superavit* (saith *Cyprian*) whom surfetting could not ouer-take, Selfe-loue hath ouer-come. *He that hath scorned all money, bribes, gifts, vpright otherwise and sincere, hath inserted himselfe to no fond Imagination, and sustained all those tyrannicall concupiscences of the body, hath lost all his honour, captivated by Vaine-glory.* *Chrysost.* sup. *Iob. Tu sola animum, mentemq. peruris gloria.* A great assault, and cause of our present malady, although wee doe most part neglect, take no notice of it, yet this is a most violent barterer of our Soules, and causeth Melancholy and Dotage. This pleasing humor, this soft and whispering popular ayre, *Amabilis insania*, this delectable Frensy, most irrefragable passion, *Mentis gratissimus error*, this acceptable disease, which so sweetly sets vpon vs, rauisheth our senses, lullles our soules asleepe, puffes vp our hearts as so many bladders, and that without all feeling, *h. that those that are mis-affected with it, neuer so much as once perceiue it, or thinke of any cure.* We commonly loue him best in this *i* malady, that doth vs most harme, and are most willing to be hurt; *adulationibus nostris libenter fauimus* (saith *Hierome*) we loue him, we loue him for it: *O Bonciari suauē, suauē fuit à te tali hac tribui;* twas sweet to heare it. And as *Pliny* doth ingeniously confesse to his deare friend *Augurinus*, *all thy writings are most acceptable, but those especially that speake of vs.* Againē, a little after to *Maximus*, *I cannot expresse how pleasing it is to me to heare my selfe commended.* Though we smile to our selues, at least Ironically, when Parasites bedawbe vs with false *Encomions*, as many Princes cannot chuse but doe, *quum tale quid nihil intra se repererint*, when they know they come as farre short, as a Mouse to an Elephant, of any such vertues, yet it doth vs good. Though wee seeme many times to be angry, *and blush at our owne praises, yet our soule inwardly reioyceth, it puffes vs vp, and makes vs swell beyond our bounds, and forget our selues.* Her two daughters are lightnesse of minde, immoderate ioy & pride, not excluding those other concomitant vices, which *Iodochus Lorichius* reckons vp, Bragging, Hypocrisie, Peeuishnesse, and Curiositie.

Sagitta qua animam penetrat, leuiter penetrat, sed non leue infligit vulnus, sup. cant. Qui omnem pecuniarum contemptum habent, & nulli Imaginationi totius mundi se immiscuerint, & tyrannicas corporis concupiscencias sustinuerint, hi multoties capti à vana gloria omnia perdidērunt.

Hac correpti, non coitant de medela.

Dy talem à terris auertite pestem.

Ep. ad Eustochium, de custod. virgin.

Lips. & ist. ad Bonciarium.

Epist. lib. 9. Omnia tua scripta pulcherrima existimo, maxime tamen illa que de nobis.

Exprimere non possum quid sit incundum, &c.

Hieron: Et licet nos indignos dicimus, & calidus rubor & ra perfundat, attamen ad laudem suam intrinsecus anima letatur.

Theaur. Theol.

Now

ⁿ Nec enim
mibi cornu
fibra est. Per.

o E manibus il-
lis, Nascentur
viole. Pers. 1.
Sat.

p Omnia enim
nostra, supra
modum placent.
Fab. l. 10. cap. 3.
q Ridentur ma-
la qui componunt
carmina, verum
gaudent scriben-
tes, & se vene-
rantur, & ultra
si taceas lau-
dant quicquid
scripsere beati.
Hor. ep. 2. l. 2.
r Luk. 18. 10.
s De meliore lu-
to finxit præ-
cordia Titan.
t Chil. 3. Cent.
10. pro 97. Qui
se crederet ne-
minem ulli in-
re prestantiore.
u Consol. ad
Pammachium,
Mundi Philoso-
phus glorie ani-
mal, & popula-
ri auris & ru-
morum venale
mancipium.
† Epist. 5. Capi-
toli suo. Diebus
ac noctibus, hoc
solum cogito, si
quā me possum
habere humo. Id
voto meo sufficit
&c.
x Tullius.
y Et no men
meum scriptis
tuis illustretur.
z Inquies ani-
mus studio eter-
nitatis, noctes
& dies angeba-
tur. Hensius
orat. funeb. de
Scal.

^a Hor. art. Poet.

^b Od. Vit. lib. 3. Ovid. Jamq. opus exegi. Vade liber felix Palingen. lib. 1. ^c In lib. 8. De ponte deicere. ^d Nihil
libenter audiunt, nisi laudes suas.

Now the common cause of this mischiefe, ariseth from our selues or o-
thers, ⁿ wee are actiue and passiue. It proceedes inwardly from our selues,
as wee are actiue causes, from an ouer-weening conceit wee haue of our
good parts, own worth, (which indeed is no worth) our bounty, fauour,
grace, valour, strength, wealth, patience, meeknesse, hospitality, beauty, tem-
perance, gentry, knowledge, wit, science, art, learning, ^o our excellent gifts &
fortunes, for which *Narcissus*-like, we admire, flatter, & applaud our selues,
& thinke all the world esteemes so of vs; and as deformed women easily be-
leeue those that tell them they be faire, wee are too credulous of our owne
good parts and praises, too well perswaded of our selues. We brag and ven-
ditate our ^p owne workes, & scorne all others in respect of vs; *Inflati scien-
tiâ* (saith *Paul*) our wisdom, ^q our learning; all our geese are swannes, and
as basely esteeme and vilifie other mens, as wee doe ouer-highly prize our
owne. We will not suffer them to be in *secundis*, no not in *tertys*; what?
Mecum confertur Vlysses? Though indeed they be farre before vs. Only wise,
only rich, only fortunate, valorous, and faire, as that proud ^r *Pharisee*, they
are not (as they suppose) *like other men*, of a purer, & more precious mettle.
Novi quendam (saith *Erasmus*) I knew one that thought himselfe inferiour
to no man liuing. And such for the most part are your Princes, Potentates,
great Philosophers, Poëts, Historiographers, Authors of Sects or Heresies,
and all our great Schollers, as ^u *Hierome* defines; *A naturall Philosopher, glo-
ries creature, and a very slave of rumor, fame, and popular opinion. Vobis & fa-
ma me semper dedi*, saith *Trebellius Pollio*. I haue wholly consecrated my selfe
to you and Fame. 'Tis all my desire, night and day, this is all my study, to raise
my name. Proud ^t *Pliny* seconds him; *Quamquam O! &c.* and that vain glo-
rious ^x Orator, is not ashamed to confesse in an Epistle of his to *Marcus Lec-
ceius*: *Ardeo incredibili cupiditate &c.* I burne with an incredible desire, to
haue my ^z name registred in thy booke. Out of this fountaine proceed all those
crackes and bragges, — ^a *speramus carmina fingi. Posse linenda cedro, & leni
seruanda expresso* — ^b *Non usitatâ nec tenui ferar pennâ. — nec in terrâ mora-
bor longius. c nil paruum aut humili modo, nil mortale loquor. d Dicar quâ vi-
olens obstrepit Ausidus. — Exegi monumentum ære perennius. Iamq. opus exegi,
&c.* & many such, common with Writers. Not so much as *Democharis* on
the ^e *Topickes*, but he will be immortall, and euery common Poet will be re-
nowned. This puffing humor is it, that hath produced so many great tomes,
that hath built so many famous monuments, Castles & *Mausolean Tombs*,
to haue their names eternized, — *Digito monstrari, & dicier hic est*; to haue
their names inscribed, as *Phryne* on the wals of *Thebes*, *Phryne fecit*; This
causeth so many battles, — *Es noctes cogit vigilare serenas*; Long journeyes,
Magnum iter intendo, sed dat mihi gloria vires,
a little applause, Pride, Selfe-loue, Vaine glory. This is it which makes them
take such paines, and breake out into such ridiculous straines, this high con-
ceit of themselves, ^f to scorne all others; and brings them to that height of
insolency, that they cannot endure to be contradicted, ^g or heare of any thing
but their owne commendation, as *Hierom* notes of such kinde of men. When

as indeed; in all wise mens iudgments they are ^h mad, empty vessels, fungus, beside themselves, derided, a common obloquy, *insensati*, and come far short of that which they suppose or expect. ⁱ *O puer ut sis vitalis metuo*. It is not as they vainely thinke,

*Nos demiramur, sed non cum deside vulgo,
Sed velut Harpyas, Gorgonas, & Furias.*

We maruaile too, not as the vulgar wee,

But as we Gorgons, Harpy, or Furies see.

Another kinde of mad men there is opposite to these, that are insensibly mad, and know not of it, such as contemne all praise and glory, and thinke themselves most free, when as indeed they are most mad: *calcant sed alio fastu*: a company of *Cynickes*, such as are Monkes, Hermites, Anachorites, that contemne the world, contemne themselves, contemne all titles, honors, offices: & yet in that contempt, are more proud then any man living whatsoever. They are proud in humility; proud, in that they are not proud, *sapè homo de vana gloria contempta, vanius gloriatur*, as *Austin* hath it, *confess. lib. 10. cap. 38*: as *Diogenes*, *intus gloriantur*, they brag inwardly, and feed themselves fat with a selfe-conceit of sanctity, which is no better then Hypocrisie. They goe in sheepes russet, many great men, that might maintaine themselves in cloath of gold, and seeme to be deiected, humble by their outward carriage, when as inwardly they are swolne full of pride, arrogancy, & selfe-conceit. And therefore *Seneca* aduiseeth his friend *Lucilius*, ^k *in his attire and gesture, outward actions, especially to avoide all such things as are more notable in themselves: as a rugged attire, hirsute head, horrid beard, contempt of mony, course lodging, and what soeuer leads to Fame that opposite way.*

All this madnesse yet proceedes from our selues, the maine engine which batters vs, is from others, we are meere passie in this businesse: frō a company of Parasites & flatterers, that with immoderate praise, and bumbast Epithites, glosing titles, false elogiums, so bedawbe and applaud, guild ouer many a silly and vnderferuing man, that they clap him quite out of his wittes. *Res imprimis violenta est*, as *Hierome* notes, this common applause is a most violent thing, that fattens men, erects and deiects them in an instant.

^l *Palma negata macrum, donata reducit opimum.*

It makes them fat and leane, as frost doth Conies. ^m *And who is that mortall man that can so containe himselfe, that if he be immoderately commended and applauded, will not be moued.* Let him be what he will, those Parasites will ouer-turne him. If he be a souldier, then *Themistocles*, *Epaminondas*, *Hector*, *Achilles*, *duo fulmina belli, trium viri terrarum &c.* and the valour of both *Scipios* is too little for him, he is *invictissimus*, *serenissimus*, *multis trophæis ornatus*, although he neuer durst looke his enemy in the face. If he be a big man, then is he a *Sampson*, another *Hercules*: If he make a speech, another *Tully* or *Demosthenes*: as of *Herod* in the *Aels*, *the voice of God, and not of man*: If he can make a verse, *Homer*, *Virgil*, &c. And then my silly weake Patient, takes all these elogiums to himselfe; if he be a Scholler so commended for his much reading, excellent stile, method, &c. he will eviscerate himselfe like a spider, study to death,

Laudat as ostendit avis Iunonia pennas,

Peacocke-like he will display all his feathers. If hee be a souldier, and so applauded

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^h *Qua maior dementia aut dici, aut excogitari potest, quam sic ob gloriam cruciari. Insumam istam domine longe fac a me. Austin conf. lib 10. cap. 37.*
ⁱ *Hor. Sat. 1. l. 2.*

^k *Epist. 13. Illud te admono, ne eorum more facias, qui non proficere, sed conspici cupiunt, quæ in habitu tuo, aut genere vite notabilia sunt. Asperum cultum & vitiosum caput, negligentem barbam, indidit argento edium, cubile humi positum, & quicquid ad laudem peruersa via sequitur, evita.*
^l *Per.*

^m *Quis vero tam bene modalo suo metiri se novit, ut cum assidue & immodice laudationes non moveant. Hen. Steph.*

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ⁿ Livius, Gloria tantum elatus, non ira, in medios hostes irruere, quod c. m. pletis muris conspici se pugnantem, a muro spectantibus, egregium ducebat. ⁿ I demens, & seuas curre per Alpes. Aude aliquid &c. ut pueris placeas, & declamatio fias. luv. Sat. 10. P In monte Encom.

ⁿ Antonius ab assentatoribus, vestus, Liberum se patrem appellari iussit, & pro deo se vediturum, redimitus hederam, & coronam velatus auream, & thyrsum tenens, coturnisq; succinctus, curru velut Lib. pater vestus est Alexandree. Pater. vol. post. ⁿ Minerve nuptias ambit, tanto furore percussa, ut satellites mitteret ad videndum num Dea in thalamum venisset, &c.

ⁿ Aelian lib. 12. ⁿ Sequiturq; superbia formam. Livius lib. 11. Oraculum est, vivida sepe ingenia, luxuriare hac & evanescere, multosq; sensum penitus amisisse. Homines tutentur, ac si ipsi non essent homines.

ⁿ Galeus de Rubis. Cuius noster faber ferrarius, ob inventionem instrumenti Co-

eleae olim Archimedis dicti, pre letitia insanivit. ⁿ Insania postmodum correptus, ob nimiam inde arrogantiam. ⁿ Bene ferre magnam disce fortunam. Hor Fortunam reverenter habere, quicunq; repente Dives ab exili progrediēre loco. Antonius. ⁿ Processit squalidus & submissus, ut hesterni diei gaudium intemperans hodie castigaret. ⁿ Vxor Henrici 8. ⁿ Neutrius se fortune extremum libenter expecturum dixit: sed si necessitas alterius subinde imponeretur, optare se difficilem & adversam: quod in hac multi unquam desuit solati-um, in altera nullis consilium, &c. Lod. Vives.

plauded, his valour extoll'd, though it be *impar congressus*, as that of *Troilus*, & *Achilles*, *Infelix puer*, he will combat with a Giant, As another *Philippus* he will ride into the thickest of his enemies: Commend his house keeping, and he will begger himselfe, commend his temperance, hee will starue himselfe,

*— laudataq; virtus
Crescit, & immensum gloria calcar habet.*

he is mad, mad, mad, no whoe with him, he will ouer the *Alpes* to be talked of, or to maintaine his credit. Commend an ambitious man, some proud Prince or Potentate, *Si plus aequo laudetur* (saith *ⁿ Erasmus*) *cristas erigit, exuit hominem, deum se putat*: he sets vp his crest, & will be no longer a man, but a God. How did this worke with *Alexander*, that would needes be *Iupiters* sonne, and goe like *Hercules* in a Lions skin. *Commodus* the Emperour was so gulled by his flattering Parasites, that he would be called *Hercules*. *ⁿ Antonius* the Roman would be crowned with Ivy, carried in a Chariot, and adored for *Bacchus*. *Cotys* King of *Thrace*, was married to *ⁿ Minerva*, and sent three severall messengers one after another, to see if shee were come to his bed chamber. Such a one was *ⁿ Iupiter Menebrates*, *Maximinus Iovianus*, *Dioclesianus Herculeus*. *Sapor* the Persian King, brother of the Sunne and Moone, and our Kings of *China* and *Tartaria* in this present age. Such a one was *Xerxes*, that would whip the Sea, and send a challenge to mount *Athos*: & such are many sottish Princes, brought into a fooles Paradise by their Parasites. Tis a common humor, incident to all men, when they are in great places, haue done, or deseru'd well, to applaud and flatter themselves. They haue good parts, and they know it, you need not tell them of it: out of a conceit of their worth, they goe smiling to themselves, and perpetuall meditation of their Trophies & plaudits, they runne at the last quite mad, and loose their wits *Petrarch lib. 1. de contemptu mundi*, confessed as much of himselfe, and *Cardan* in his 5. booke of wisdom, giues an instance of a Smith of *Millan*, a fellow Citizen of his, *ⁿ one Galeus de Rubis*, that being commended for refinding of an Instrument of *Archimedes*, for ioy ranne madde. *Plutarch* in the life of *Artaxerxes*, hath such a like story of one *Chamus* a souldier, that wounded King *Cyrus* in battle, and grew thereupon so *ⁿ arrogant*, that in a short space after, he lost his wits. So, many men, if any new honor, office, preferment, possession, or patrimony, *ex insperato* fall vnto them, for immoderate ioy, and continuall meditation of it, cannot sleepe, y or tell what they say or doe, they are so rauished on a sudden. *Epaminondas* therefore, the next day after his *Leuctrian* victory, *ⁿ came abroad all squallid and submisse*, and gaue no other reason to his friends of his so doing, then that he perceiued himselfe the day before, by reason of his good fortune, to be too insolent, ouermuch ioyed. And that wise and vertuous Lady, *ⁿ Queene Catharine*, Dowager of *England*, in private talke said, that *ⁿ shee would not willingly endure the extremity of either Fortune; but if it were so that of necessity shee must undergoe the one, shee would be in aduersity, because comfort was neuer wanting in it, but still counsell, moderation and gouernment, were defectiue in the other.* They could not moderate themselves.

*Lone of Learning, or ouer-much study: With a Digression of the misery
of Schollers, and why the Muses are Melancholy*

Leonartus Fuchsius *Instit. lib. 3. sect. 1. cap. 1.* Felix Plater. *lib. 3. de mentis alienat. Herc. de Saxonia Tract. post. de melanch. cap. 3.* speake of a peculiar Fury, which comes by ouer-much Study: *Fernelius lib. 1. cap. 18.* puts Study, contemplation, and continual meditation, as an especiall cause of madnesse: and in 86. *consul.* cites the same words. *Io. Arculanus in lib. 9. Rhafis ad Almansorem, cap. 16.* amongst other causes, reckons vp *studium uehemens*: so doth *Leuius Lemnius, lib. de occult. nat. mirac. lib. 1. cap. 16.* c. *Magnymen* (saith he) come to this malady by continuall study, and night-waking, and of all other men, Schollers are most subiect to it: and such *Rhafis* addes, that haue commonly the finest wits, *Cont. lib. 1. Tract. 9.* *Marsilius Ficinus de sanit. tuenda. lib. 1. cap. 7.* puts Melancholy amongst one of those five principall plagues of Students, tis a common maul vnto them all, and almost in some measure an inseparable companion. *Varro* belike for that cause calls *Tristes Philosophos & sereros*, severe, sad, dry, tetricke, are common Epithites to Schollers: And *Patritius* therefore in the institution of Princes, would not haue them to be great students. For (as *Machiavel* holdes) study weakens their bodies, dulls the spirits, abates their strength & courage, & good schollers, are neuer good souldiers; which a certaine *Gothe* well perceiued, when his Countrey-men came into *Greece*, and would haue burned all their bookes, he cryed out against it, by all meanes they should not doe it, b. *leane them that plague, which in time will consume all their vigour, and martiall spirits.* The *Turkes* abdicated *Cornutus* the next heire, from the Empire, because he was so much giuen to his booke: and tis the common Tenent of the world, that Learning dulls and diminisheth the spirits, and so per consequens produceth Melancholy.

Two maine reasons may be giuen of it, why students should be more subiect to this malady then others. The one is, they liue a sedentary, solitary life, *sibi & musis*, free from bodily exercise, & those ordinary disports which other men vse: & many times if discontent & Idlenes concur with it, which is too frequent, they are precipitated into this gulf on a sudden: but the common cause is ouermuch study; too much learning (as *Festus* told *Paul*) hath made thee madde; tis that other extreame which effects it. So did *Trincavelius, lib. 1. consul. 12. & 13.* finde by his experience, in two of his Patients, a yong Baron, and another, that contracted this malady by too vehement study. So *Forestus obseruat. lib. 10. obseru. 13.* in a yong Diuine in *Lovain*, that was mad, & said, *he had a Bible in his head:* *Marsilius Ficinus de sanit. tuenda. lib. 1. cap. 1. 3. 4. & lib. 2. cap. 16.* giues many reasons, m. *why students dote more often then others:* The first is their negligence: n. *other workemen looke to their*

c. *Peculiaris furor, qui ex literis fit.*

d. *Nihil magis auget, ac assidua studia, & profundæ cogitationes.*

e. *Non desunt, qui ex inui studio, & intemperata lucubratione, huc derenerunt, hi præ cæteris enim plebunaq. melancholiâ solent inflari.*

f. *Study is a continual & earnest meditation, applied to something with great desire.*

g. *Tully. Et illi qui sunt subtilis ingenij, & multe præmeditationis, de facili incidunt in melancholiâ.*

h. *Ob studiorum sollicitudinem, lib. 5. Tit. 5.*

i. *Gasspar Bar. Theaur. Polit. Apotelef. 31. Græcis hæc pestem relinquere, quæ dubium non est, quin brevi omnē is vigorē ereptura Martialis, spiritus exhaustura sit. Vt ad acmē actāda planē inhabiles futuri sint.*

k. *Knoles Truk. biff.*

l. *Acts 26. 24.*

¹ *Nimius studij melancholicus evasit, dicens se Biblum in capite habere.* ^m *Cur Melancholiâ assidua, crebrisq. deliramentis vexentur eorum animi, ut desipere cogantur.* ⁿ *So'ers quilibet artifex, instrumenta sua diligentissime curat, penicillos pictor, malleos, in- endesque faber ferrarius, miles equos, arma: venator, aucupes, aves, & canes: Cytharam cytharedus &c. soli musarum mythe tam negligentes sunt, ut instrumentum illud quo mundum universum metiri solent, spiritum scilicet, penitus negligere videantur.*

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tooles; a Painter will wash his pencils, a Smith will looke to his hammer, anvil, forge: an husbandman will mend his plough-irons, and grinde his hatchet if it be dull; a fawconer or huntsman will haue an espectall care of his haukes, hounds, horses, dogges &c: a Musitian will string & vnstring his Lute &c: only Schollers neglect that instrument, their braine and spirits (I meane) which they dayly use, and by which they range ouer all the world, which by much study is consumed. Vide (saith Lucian) *ne funiculum nimis intendendo, aliquando abrumpas*:

o Arcus & arma tibi non sunt imitanda Diana.
Si nunquam cessare tendere molles erit. Ouid.
P Ephemer.

Contemplatio cerebrum exsiccat, & extinguit calorem naturalem, unde cerebrum frigidum & siccum euadit, quod est melancholicum. Accedit ad hoc, quod natura in contemplatione, cerebro prorsus cordis intentia, stomachum, hepaticum, destituit, unde ex alimentis male coctis, sanguis crassus & niger efficitur, dum nimio otio membrorum superflui vapores non exhalant. Cerebrum exsiccat, corpora sensum gracilesunt.

1 Studiosi sunt Cacectici & nunquam bene colorati, propter debilitatem digestivae facultatis, multiplicantur in ipsis superfluitates. Io. Voschi. us parte 2. cap. 5. de peste.

2 Nullus mihi per otium dies exit, partem noctis studiis dedico, non vero somno, sed oculos vigilia fatigatos, cadentesq; in operam detineo.

See thou twist not the rope so hard, till at length it breake. Ficinus in his 4.c. giues some other reasons; Saturne and Mercury, the patrons of Learning, are both dry Planets: and P Origanus assignes that same cause, why Mercurialists are so poore, and most part beggers; for that their President Mercury had no better fortune himselfe: The Destinies of old, put poverty vpon him as a punishment; since when, Poetry and Beggery, are Gemelli, twin-borne brattes, inseparable companions:

† And to this day is euery Scholler poore,
Grosse gold from them runnes headlong to the boore:

Mercury, he can helpe them to knowledge, but not to money. The second is contemplation, which dryes the braine, and extinguisheth naturall heat; for whilst the spirits are intent to meditation aboue in the head, the stomacke and liuer are left destitute, and thence come blacke blood and crudities, for want of concoction, and for want of exercise, the superfluous vapours cannot exhale &c. The same reasons are repeated by Gomesius lib. 4. cap. 1. de sale. Nymannus orat. de imag. Io. Voschius lib. 2. cap. 5. de peste: and something more they adde, that hard students are commonly troubled with goutes, catarrhes, rheumes, cacexia, bradiopepsia, bad eyes, stone and colick, crudities, oppilations, vertigo, windes, crampes, consumptions, and all such diseases as come by ouermuch sitting; they are most part leane, dry, ill-coloured, spend their fortunes, loose their wits, and many times their liues, and all through immoderate paines, and extraordinary studies. If you will not beleue the trueth of this, looke vpon great Tostatus, and Thomas Aquinas workes, and tell me whether those men tooke paines? peruse Austin, Hierom, &c. and many thousands besides.

Qui cupit optatam cursu contingere metam,
Multa tulit, fecitq; puer, sudavit & alsit.

He that desires this wished goale to gaine,
Must sweat and freeze, before he can attaine,

and labour hard for it. So did Seneca, by his owne confession ep. 8. Not a day that I spend idle, part of the night I keepe mine eyes open tired with waking, and now slumbring to their continuall taske. Heare Tully pro Archia Poeta: whilst other loytered, and tooke their pleasures, hee was continually at his booke: and so they doe that will be Schollers, and that to the hazard (I say) of their health, fortunes, wits, and liues. How much did Aristotle and Ptolemy spend? how many crownes per annum, to perfect Arts, the one about his History of Creatures, the other about his Almagest? how many poore schollers haue lost their wits, or become dizards, neglecting all worldly affaires, and their owne health, wealth, esse and bene esse, to gaine knowledge? for which, after all their paines, in the worlds esteeme they are accompted ridiculous and silly fooles, Idiots, Asses, and (as oft they are) reiected, contemned, derided, doting

doting, and mad. Looke for examples in *Hildisheim spicel. 2. de Mania & delirio: reade Trincavelius lib. 3. consil. 36. & consil. 17. Montanus consil. 233.*
Garcaus de Indic. genit. cap. 33. Mercurialis consil. 86. consil. 25. Prosper & Calenus in his booke *de atrabile: Goe to Bedlam* and aske. Or if they keepe their wits, yet they are accompted fooles by reason of their carriage, because they cannot ride a horse, which euery Clowne can doe; salute and court a Gentlewoman, carue at table, cringe and make congies, which euery common swasher can doe, *hos populus ridet &c.* they are laughed to scorne, and ² accompted silly fellowes by our Gallants. Yea many times, such is their misery, they deserue it: ² a meere Scholler, a meere Ass.

*b Obsipio capite, & figentes lumine terram,
 Murmura cum secum, & rabiosa silentia rotant,
 Atq; expectato trutinantur verba labello,
 Aegroti veteris meditantur somnia, gigni
 De nihilo nihilum: in nihilum nil posse reverti.*

— who doe leane awry

^c Their heads piercing the earth with a fixt eye:
 When by themselves they gnaw their murmuring,
 And furious silence, as twere ballancing,
 Each word vpon their out streacht lip, and when
 They meditate the dreames of old sicke men,
 As, *Out of nothing, nothing can be brought,*
And that which is, can ne're be turn'd to nought.

Thus they goe commonly meditating vnto themselves, thus they sit, such is their action and gesture. *Fulgosus lib. 8. cap. 7.* makes mention how *Th. Aquinas* supping with King *Lewes of France*, vpon a sudden knocked his fist vpon the table, and cried, *conclusum est contra Manichaeos*, his wits were a woolgathering, as they say, and his head busied about other matters; when hee perceined his errour, he was much ^c abashed. Such a story there is of *Archimedes* in *Vitruvius*, that hauing found out the meanes to knowe how much gold was mingled with the siluer in King *Hierons* crowne, ran naked forth of the bath, and cryed *eureka*, I haue found: ^c and was commonly so intent to his studies, that he neuer perceaued what was done about him, when the City was taken, and the souldiers now ready to rife his house, hee tooke no notice of it. *S. Bernard* rode all day long by the *Leman lake*, and asked at last where hee was. *Marullus lib. 2. cap. 4.* It was *Democritus* carriage alone that made the *Abderites* suppose him to be mad, and send for *Hippocrates* to cure him: if he had beene in any solemne company, hee would vpon all occasions fall a laughing. *Theophrastus* saith as much of *Heracitus*, because hee continually wept, and *Laertius* of *Menedemus Lampascus*, because he ran about like a mad man, & saying he came from hell as a spy, to tell the diuells what mortall men did. Your great students are commonly no better, silly fellowes in their outward behauiour, ridiculous to others, and no whit experienced in worldly businesse. ^h I knewe in my time many Schollers, saith *Aeneas Sylvius*, (in an Epistle of his to *Gasper Sciticke*, Chancelour to the Emperour) excellent well

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^a *Iohannes Hahnus* Bobemus, natus 1516 eruditus vir, nimis studiis in Phrenesim incidit, Montanus instances in a Frenchman of Tolosa.
² *Cardinalis Caecilius*, ob laborem, vigiliam, & diuturna studia factus Melancholicus.

³ *Perf. Sat. 3.*
² They cannot fiddle; but as *Themistocles* said, he could make a small town become a great city.

^a *Perf. Sat. 3.*

^b *Ingenium sibi quod vanas desumpsit At enas & septem studiis annos dedit, insensitq;*

Libris & curis flatu taciturnius exit,

Pleruq; & risu populum quatit.

Hor. Ep. 1. lib. 2.

^c Translated

by Mr B. Holiday.

^d *Thomas rubore confusus*

dixit se de argumeto cogitasse.

^e *Plutarch. vita*

Marcelli, Nec

sensit urbem captam, nec milites in domum irruentes, adeo intentus studiis, &c.

^f *Lib. 2. cap. 18.*

^g *Sub Furie larua circum-*

vit urbem, dicti-

tans se exploratorem ab inferis

venisse, delaturu

demonibus mort

talium peccata.

^h *Novi meis diebus, plerosq; studiis literarum deat: os, qui disciplinis admodum abundabant, sed in nihil civilitatis habebant, nec rempubl. nec domesticam regere norant. Stupidi Paglarensis & suri villicum accusantis, qui suam secum undecim porcellos, asinam unum duntaxat pullum cuiam reuelerat.*

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learned, but so rude, so silly, that they had no common civility, nor knewe how to manage their domesticke or publike affaires. Paglarenis was amazed, and said his farmer had surely cosened him, when he heard him tell that his Sowe had cleauen pigges, and his Ass but one seale.

i Iure privilegiandi, qui ob commune bonum abbreviant sibi vitam.

Now because they are commonly subiect to such hazards and inconveniences, as dotage, madnesse, simplicity, &c. Io. Voschius would haue good Schollers to be highly rewarded, and had in some extraordinary respect aboue other men, to haue greater ⁱ priuiledges then the rest, that aduenture themselves, and abbreviate their liues for the publike good. But our Patrons of learning are so farre now adayes, from respecting the *Muses*, and giuing that honour to Schollers, or reward which they deserue, & are allowed by those indulgent priuiledges of many noble Princes, that after al their paines taken in the *Vniuersities*, cost and charge, expences, irksome houres, laborious taskes, wearisome dayes, dangers, hazards (barred *interim* from all pleasures which other men haue, mewed vp like haukes all their liues) if they chance to wade through them, they shall in the end be reiected, contemned, and which is their greatest misery, driuen to their shifts, exposed to want, poverty and beggery. Their familiar attendants are,

*Pallentes morbi, luctus, curaq, laborq,
Et metus, & maleuada fames, & turpis egestas,
Terribiles visu forme.*

Griefe, labour, care, pale, sicknesse, miseries,
Feare, filthy pouerty, hunger that cries,
Terrible monsters to be scene with eyes.

If there were nothing else to trouble them, the conceipt of this alone were enough to make them all melancholy. All other trades and professions after some seauen yeares prenticeship, are enabled by their craft to liue of themselves. A Merchant aduentures his goods at Sea, and though his hazard be great, yet if one ship returne offoure, hee likely makes a sauing voyage. An husbandmans gaines are almost certaine; onely Schollers, mee thinkes, are most vncertaine, vnrespected, subiect to all casualties, & hazards. For first, not one of a many prooues to be a Scholler, all are not capable & docile, ^k *ex omni ligno non fit Mercurius*: wee can make *Maiores* and officers every yeare, but not Schollers. Kings can make Knights and Barons, as *Sigismund* the Emperour confessed; *Vniuersities* can giue degrees; but he nor they, nor all the world can giue learning, make Philosophers, Artists, Orators and Poets: Though they may be willing to take paines, and to that end sufficiently informed, and liberally maintained by their Patrons and Parents. Or if they be docile, yet all mens wills are not answerable to their wits, they can apprehend, but will not take paines; they are either seduced by bad companions, *vel in puelam impingunt, vel in poculum*, & so spend their times to their friends griefe, and their owne vndoings. Or put case they bee studious, industrious, of ripe wits, and happily good capacities, then how many diseases of body and minde must they endure? No labour in the world like vnto study. It may be, their temperature will not endure it, but in striving to be excellent to knowe all, they loose health, wealth, wit, life and all. Let him yet happily escape all these hazards, & is now consummate and ripe, he hath profited in his studies, and proceeded with all applause: after many expences, he is now

* Quotannis fiunt consules & praefules. Rex & Poeta quotannis non nascitur.

fit

fit for preferment, where shall he haue it? he is as farre to seeke as he was (after twenty yeares standing) at the first day of his comming to the *Vniuersity*. For what course shall he take, being now capable and ready? The most payable and easie, and about which most are imployed, is to teach a Schoole, turne Lecturer or Curat; and for that he shall haue Faulkoners wages, 10^l per annum, and his diet, or some small stipend, so long as hee can please his Patron or the Parish; if they approue him not (for vsually they doe but a yeare or two) as inconstant, as * they that cryed *Hosanna* one day, and crucified him the other; seruing-man like, he must goe look a new master: if they doe, what is his reward?

* Mat. 21.

1 Hor. ep. 20. l. 1.

1 *Hoc quoque te manet ut pueros elementa docentem*

Occupet extremis in vicis alba senectus. Like an Asse, he weares out his time for prouender, and can shew a stumpe rod, *toga mitram & lacera*, saith *Hadus*, an old torne gowne, an ensigne of his infelicity, he hath his labour for his paine, a *modicum* to keepe him till he be decrepit, and that is all. If he be a trencher Chaplaine in a Gentlemans house, as it befell *Eu-phormio*, after some seauen yeares seruice, he may perchance haue a liuing to the halfe, or some small *Rectorie* with a crackt chamber-maid, to haue and to hold during the time of his life. But if he offend his good Patron, or displease his Lady Mistis in the meane time,

† Lib. 1. de con-tem amor.

m Satyricon.

* *Ducetur plantæ velut ictus ab Hercule Cacus;*

* Iuven. Sat. 5.

Poneturque, for as siquid tentauerit unquam

Hiscere, — as *Herculus* did by *Cacus*, he shal be dragged forth of dores by the heeles, away with him. If hee bend his forces to some other studies, with an intent to be a *secretis* to some Nobleman, or in such a place vnder an Embassadour, hee shall finde that such persons rise like Prentices one vnder another, as in so many tradesmens shoppes; when the Master is dead, the fore-man of the shop commonly steps in his place. Now for Poets, Rhetoritians, Historians, Philosophers, ° Mathematitians, Sophisters, &c. they are like Grashoppers; sing they must in Summer, and pine in the Winter, for there is no preferment for them. Euen so they were at first, if you will beleue that pleasant tale of *Socrates*, which hee told faire *Phædrus* vnder a Plane-tree, at the bankes of the riuer *Ilmenus*; about noone when it was hot, and the Grashoppers made a noise, he tooke that sweet occasion to tell him a tale, how Grashoppers were once Schollers, Musicians, Poets, &c. before the *Muses* were borne, and liued without meat and drinke, & for that cause were turned by *Iupiter* into Grashoppers. And may be turned againe, for any reward I see they are like to haue: or else in the meane time, I would they could liue like them without meat and drinke, like so many. ¶ *Manucodiate* those Indian birds of *Paradise*, as wee commonly call them, those I meane that liue with the ayre, and dew of heauen, and need no other food: for being as they are, their * *Rhetorick* only serues them, to curse their bad fortunes, and many of them for want of meanes are driuen to hard shifts, from Grashoppers they turne Humblebees and Wasps, plaine Parasites, filthily & basely they prostitute themselues, and make the *Muses*, Mules, to satisfie their hungerstarued panches, and get a meales meat. To say truth, tis the common fortune of most Schollers, to bee seruite and poore, to complaine pittifully, and lay open their wants to their respectlesse Patrons, as

o As colit asira.

p Aldrovandus de Avibus l. 12. Gesner. &c.

* Literas habent queis sibi & fortune sue maledicant. Sat. Menip.

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† Lib. de libris
propriis fol. 24.* Prefat. tran-
sit. Plutarch.† Or as horses
knowe not
their strength,
they consider
not their own
worth.† Plura ex Si-
monidis famili-
aritate Hieron-
consequutus est,
quam ex Hiero-
nis Simonides.* Inter inertes &
Plebeios ferè
iacet, ultimum
locum habens,
nisi tot artu,
virtutisq; insig-
nia, turpiter ob-
noxie, supparisi-
tando fascibus
subiecerit pro-
terve insolentisq;
potentie. Lib. I.
de contempt. re-
rum fortuitarum
† Buchanan.
eleg. lib.† In Satyricon.
Intrat senex, sed
cultus non ita spe-
ciosus, ut facile
appareret eum
hic notã litera-
tum esse, quos
diuites odisse so-
lent. Ego in-
quit, Poeta sum;
Quare ergo tam
male vestitus es?
Propter hoc iussu
amor ingenij ne-
minem unquam
diuitem fecit.
† Petronius Ar-
biter.* Oppressus pau-
pertate animus
nihil eximium
aut sublime cogi-
tare potest, ame-
nitates literarũ,
aut elegantias,
quoniam nihil
presidii in his
ad vite commo-
dũ videt, primò
negligere, mox
odisse incipit.
† Idem.

† Cardan doth, as * Xilander, and many others: as so many Fidlers, or mer-
cenary Tradesmen, to serue great mens turnes for a small reward. They are
like ¶ Indians, they haue store of gold, but knowe not the worth of it, for J
am of Synesius opinion, † King Hieron got more by Simonides acquaintance,
then Simonides did by his: they are more beholdē to Schollers, then Schol-
lers to them, but they vnder-value themselves, and so by these great men are
kept downe. Let them haue all that *Encyclopedian*, all the learning in the
world, they must keepe it to themselves, & liue in base esteeme, and starue,
except they will submit, as *Budens* well hath it, so many good parts, so many en-
signes of Arts, vertues, and be slauishly obnoxious to some illiterate potentate, &
liue vnder his insolent worship, or his honour, like *Parasites*. For to say truth,
artes he non sunt *Lucrativæ*, as *Guido Bonat* that Astrologer could fore-see,
they be not gainefull Arts these.

Dat *Galenus* opes, dat *Iustinianus* honores,

Sed genus & species cogitur ire pedes.

The rich Physicion, honour'd Lawyers ride,

Whil' the poore Scholler foots it by their side.

Pouerty is the *Muses* Patrimony, and as that Poeticall diuinity teacheth vs,
when *Iupiters* daughters were all married to the Gods, the *Muses* alone were
left solitary, *Helicon* forsaken of all suters, and I belecue it was, because they
had no portion.

† *Calliope* longum celebs cur vixit in ævum?

Nempe nihil doti, quod numeraret, erat.

Why did *Calliope* liue so long a maid?

Because she had no dowry to be paid.

Ever since all their followers are poore, forsaken, and left vnto themselves.
In so much, that as † *Petronius* argues, you shall likely knowe them by their
cloathes. There came, saith he, by chance into my company, a fellowe not very
spruce to looke on, that I could perceauē by that note alone he was a Scholler, whom
commonly rich men hate: I asked him what he was, he answered, a Poet; I deman-
ded againe why hee was so ragged, hee told mee this kinde of learning never made
any man rich.

† *Qui Pelago credit, magno se fenore tollit,**Qui pugnas & rostra petit, præcingitur auro:**Vilis adulator picto iacet ebrius ostro,**Sola pruinosis horret facundia pannis.*

A Merchant's gaine is great that goes to Sea,

A Souldier embossed all in gold:

A Flatterer lies fox'd in braue array,

A Scholler only ragged to behold.

All which our ordinary students, right well perceiving in our *Vniuersities*,
how vnprofitable these Poeticall, Mathematicall, & Philosophicall studies
are, how little respected, how few Patrons; apply themselves in all haste to
those three commodious professions, of Law, Physicke, and Diuinity, sha-
ring themselves betweene them, & reiecting the Arts in the meane time, Hi-
story, Philosophy, Philology, or lightly passing them ouer, as pleasant
toyes, sitting only table talke, and to furnish them with discourse. They are
not so behouefull; he that can tell his mony hath *Arithmetick* enough: He

is a true Geometrician, can measure out a good fortune to himselfe. A perfect Astrologer, that can cast the rise and fall of others, and make their Errant motions to his owne vse. The best Opticks are, to reflect the beames of some great mens fauour and grace to shine vpon him. He is a good Engineer that alone can make an instrument, to get preferment. This was the common Tenent and practise of Poland, as *Cromerus* obserued not long since, in the first booke of his history, their *Vniuersities* were generally base, not a Philosopher, a Mathematician, an Antiquary, &c. to be found of any note amongst them, because they had no set reward or stipend, but euery man betook himselfe to Divinity, *hoc solum in votis habens, opimum sacerdotium*, a good Personage was their aime. Euen so is it with vs, to get an office in some Bishops Court (to practise in some good Towne) or a Benefice is the mark we shoot at, as being only aduantageous, the high way to preferment.

Although many times, for ought I can see, these men fayle as often as the rest in their proiects, and are as vsually frustrated of their hopes. For let him be a Doctor of the Law, an excellent Ciuilian of good worth, where shall he practise and expatiate? Their fields are so scant, the Ciuill Law with vs so contracted with Prohibitions, so few causes, by reason of those all-deuouring municipall Lawes, *quibus nihil illiteratius*, saith * *Erasmus*, an illiterate and a barbarous study, (for though they be neuer so well learned in it, I can hardly vouchsafe them the name of Schollers, except they bee otherwise qualified) and so few Courts are left to that profession, so few offices, and those commonly to be compassed at such deare rates, that I knowe not how an ingenuous man shall thrine amongst them. Now for Physitians, there are in euery Village so many Mountebanks, Empiricks, Quacksalvers, Paracelsians, as they call themselves, *Causici & sanicide*, so * *Clenard* tearmes the, Wisards, Alcumists, poore Vicars, cast Apothecaries, and Physitians men, Barbers, and Good wiues that professe great skill, that I make a great doubt how they shall be maintained, or who shall be their Patients. Besides, there are so many of both sorts, and some of them such Harpyes, so couetous, so clamorous, so impudent; and as he said, litigious, Idiots,

*Quibus loquacis affatim arrogantia est,
Peritia parum aut nihil,
Nec vlla mica literarj salus,
Crumeni-mulga natio:
Loquuteleia turba, litium strophæ,
Maligna litigantium cohors, togati vultures
Lavernæ alumni, Agyrtæ, &c.
Which haue no skill, but prating arrogance,
No learning, such a purse-milking nation:
Gown'd vultures, theeuers, and a litigious rout
Of coseners, that haunt this occupation.*

that they cannot well tell how to liue one by another, but as he iested in the Comedy of clocks, they were so many, *maior pars populi arida reptant fame*: they are almost starued a great part of them, and ready to deuoure their fellowes, * *Et noxia caliditate se corripere*, such a multitude of Pettifoggers and Empericks; such impostors, that an honest man knowes not in what sort to compose & carry himselfe in such a society, to liue with any credit in so vile a rout.

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* *Ciceron. diu.** *Epist. lib. 2.** *Is. Dougl. Epist. lib. 2. car. 2.** *Plautus.** *Barr. Argum. lib. 3.*

Last

^a Joh. Howson
4^o Novembris
1597. the Ser-
mon was prin-
ted by Arnold
Hartfield.

^b Pers. Sat. 3.

^{*} E lecto exsili-
entes, ad subi-
tum tintinnabu-
lis pulsum quasi
fulmine territi.
^c Mart.
^d Mart.

[†] Sat. Menip.

Last of all to come to our Divines, the most noble profession, & worthy of double honour, but of all others most distressed and miserable. If you will not beleue me, heare a brieve of it, as it was not many yeares since, publike-ly preached at Pauls crosse, ^a by a graue Minister then, & now a reuerend Bishop of this land. *we that are bred up in Learning, and destinated by our Parents to this end, we suffer our childhood in the Grammer schoole, which Aukin calls magnam tyrannidem, & graue malum, and compares it to the torments of martyrdom: when we come to the Vniuersity, if we line of the Colledge allowāce, as Phalaris objected to the Leontines, *ἡδὲν ἰδὲναι μὲν ἀπὸ τοῦ πένος, needy of all things but hunger and feare; or if wee bee maintained but partly by our Parents cost, doe expend in vnnecessary maintenance, bookes and degrees, before we come to any perfection, five hundred pounds, or a thousand markes. If by this price of the expence of our time, our bodies and spirits, our substance and patrimonies, we cannot purchase those small rewards, which are ours by law, and the right of inheritance, a poore Parsonage, or a Vicarage of 50^l per annum, but wee must pay to the Patrone for the lease of a life (a spent and outworne life) either in annuall pension, or aboue the rate of a copyhold, and that with the hazard and losse of our soules, by Simony and periury, and the forfeiture of all our spirituall preferments, in esse and posse, both present and to come. what father after a while will be so improvident, & bring up his sonne to his great charge, to this necessary beggery? what Christian will be so irreligious, to bring up his son in that course of life, which by all probability and necessity, cogit ad turpia, enforcing to sinne, will entangle him in simony and periury! when as the Poet saith, *Invitatus ad hæc aliquis de ponte negabit: a beggers brat taken from the bridge where he sits a begging, if he knewe the inconvenience, had cause to refuse it.* This being thus, haue not we fished faire all this while, that are initiated Divines, to finde no better fruits of our labours, ^b *hoc est cur palles, cur quis non prouideat hoc est,* doe we macerate our selues for this? Is it for this wee rise so early all the yeare long? *Leaping* (as ^{*} he saith) *out of our beds, when we heare the bell ring, as if we had heard a thunder clap.* If this be al the respect, reward, and honour we shall haue, ^c *frange leues calamos, & scinde Thalia libellos:* let vs giue ouer our bookes, and betake our selues to some other course of life? To what end should we study? ^d *Quid me literulas stulti docuere parentes:* what did our parents meane to make vs Schollers, to bee as farre to seeke of preferment after twenty yeares study, as we were at first: why doe wee take such paines? *Quid tantum insanis iuvat impallescere chartis?* If there bee no more hope of reward, no better encouragement. I say againe, *Frangite leues calamos, & scinde Thalia libellos;* let's turne souldiers, teare our bookes, or turne them into Gunnes and Pikes, leaue all, and betake our selues to any other course of life, then to continue longer in this misery. [†] *Præstat dentiscalpia radere, quàm literarijs monumentis magnatum favorem emendicare.***

Yea, but me thinkes I heare some man except at these words, that though this be true which I haue said of the estate of Schollers, and especially of Divines, that it is miserable and distressed at this time, that the Church suffers shipwracke of her goods, and that they haue iust cause to complaine; there is a fault, but whence proceeds it? If the cause were iustly examined, it would be retorted vpon our selues, if we were cited at that Tribunall of truth, we should be found guilty, and not able to excuse it. That there is a fault amongst

mongst vs, I confesse, and were there not a buyer, there would not bee a seller: but to him that will consider better of it, it will more then manifestly appeare, that the fountaine of these miseries proceeds from these griping Patronnes. In accusing them, I doe not altogether excuse vs; both are faulty, they and we: yet in my iudgement, theirs is the greater fault, more apparant causes, and more to be condemned. For my part, if it bee not with me as I would; or as it should, I doe ascribe the cause, as *Cardan* did, in the like case, *meo infortunio potius quam illorum sceleri*, to mine owne infelicity, rather then their naughtinesse: Although I haue beene basted in my time by some of them, and haue as iust cause to complaine as another. For the rest, 'tis on both sides, *facinus detestandum*, to buy and sell Liuiings, to detaine from the Church, that which Gods and mens Lawes haue bestowed on it; but in the most, & that from the couetousnesse and ignorance of such as are interrested in this businesse; I name couetous esse in the first place, as the root of all these mischieses, which *Achan*-like, compels them to commit sacriledge, and to make Simoniall compacts, (and what not) to their owne ends, that kindles Gods wrath, brings a plague, vengeance, and an heauy visitation vpon themselues and others. Some out of that insatiable desire of filthy lucre, to be enriched, care not how they come by it, *per fas & nefas*, hooke or crooke, so they haue it. And some when they haue with riot and prodigality, embezelled their estates to recouer themselues, make a prey of the Church, robbing it, & as *Iulian* the Apostate did, spoile Persons of their reuenues (in keeping halfe backe, ^h as a great man amongst vs obserues:) and that maintenance on which they should liue: by meanes of which, Barbarisme is increased, and a great decay of Christian Professors; for who will apply himselfe to these diuine studies, his sonne, or friend, when after great paines taken, they shal haue nothing whereupon to liue? But with what event doe they these things? they are commonly vnfortunate families that vse it, accursed in their progeny, and as common experience euinceth, accursed themselues in all their proceedings. *With what face* (as *Ihe* quotes out of *Austin*) *can they expect a blessing or inheritance from Christ in Heauen, that defraud Christ of his inheritance here on earth?* I would all our Symoniacall Patrons, and such as detaine Tithes, would reade those iudicious Tracts of *S^r Henry Spelman*, and *S^r Iames Sempill* Knights; those late elaborate and learned Treatises of *D^r Tilsye*, and *M^r Montague*, which they haue written of that subiect. But though they should read, it would be to small purpose, *clames licet & mare caelo Confundat*; thunder, lighten, preach hell and damnation, tell them 'tis a sin, they will not beleue it; denounce and terrify, they haue ^k cauterized consciences, they doe not attend, as the enchanted Adder, they stoppe their eares. Call them base, irreligious, prophane, barbarous, Pagans, Atheists, Epicures (as some of them surely are) with that Bawd in *Plautus*, *Euge, optime*, they cry and applaud themselues, with that Miser, *simulac nummos contemplor in arca*: say what you will, *quocumq; modo rem*: as a dogge barks at the Moone, to no purpose are your sayings. Take you Heauen, let them take money. A base, prophane, Epicurean, Hypocriticall rout; for my part, let them pretend what zeale they will, counterfeit Religion, bleare the worlds eyes, bumbast themselues, and stufte out their greatnes with Church spoiles, shine like so many Peacocks; so cold is my charity, so defectiue in this be-

^c Lib. 3. de conf.
 I had no money, I wanted impudence, I could not scamble, temporize, dissemble: non pranderet olus, &c.
^d vis dicam, ad pulandum & adulandum penitus insulsus, recudi non possum, tam senior ut sim talis, & fingi nolo, & c.
^e cum, male cedat in rem meam, & obscurus inde delitescam.
^f Deum habent iratum, subigunt mortem eternam acquirunt, alijs miserabilem ruinam. Serrarius in Iosua, 7.
^g Nicephorus l. 10. cap. 5.
^h Lord Cook in his Reports second part fol. 44.

ⁱ S^r Henry Spelman, de non reuerentia Ecclesie.

^k 1. Tim. 4. 2.

^l Hor.

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halfe, that I shall neuer thinke better of them, then that they are rotten at core, their bones are full of Epicurean hypocritic, and Atheisticall marrow, that they are worse then Heathens. For as *Dionysius Halicarnassensis* obserues, *antiq. Rom. lib. 7.* *m* *Primum locum &c.* Greekes and Barbarians obserue all religious rites, and dare not breake them for feare of offending their gods; but our Simoniacall contractors, our senselesse *Achans*, our stupified Patrons, feare neither God nor diuell, they haue euasions for it, it is no sinne, or not due *iure diuino*, or if a sinne, no great sinne &c. And though they be daily punished for it, yet as *n* *Chrysostome* followes it, *Nulla ex penâ sit correctio, & quasi aduersis malitia hominum provocetur, crescit quotidie quod puniatur:* they are rather worse then better, and the more they are corrected, the more they offend: but let them take their course, *o Rode caper vites*, goe on still as they begin, tis no sin, let them reioyce secure, Gods vengeance will ouer-take them in the end, and these ill-gotten goods, as an Eagles feathers, *P* will consume the rest of their substance. It is *9 aurum Tholosanum*, and will produce no better effects. *9 Let them lay it vp safe, and make their conveyances neuer so close, locke and shut doore, saith Chrysostome, yet fraud and covetousnesse, two must violent theeues, are still included, and a little gaine euill gotten, will subuert the rest of their goods.* The Eagle in *Aesope*, seeing a peece of flesh, now ready to be sacrificed, swept it away with her clawes, and carried it to her nest; but there was a burning coale stuck to it by chance, which vnawares consumed her yong ones, nest and all together. Let our Symoniacall Church-chopping Patrons, and sacrilegious Harpyes, looke for no better successe.

A second cause is Ignorance, and from thence contempt, *succesit odium in literas ab ignorantia vulgi;* which *Iunius* well perceiued: this hatred & contempt of Learning, proceedes out of Ignorance, as they are themselues barbarous, idiots, dull, illiterate, and proud, so they esteeme of others:

Sint Mecanates, non deerunt Flacce Marones:

let there be bountifull Patrons, and there will be painefull Schollers in all Sciences. But when they contemne Learning, and thinke themselues sufficiently qualified, if they can write and read, scamble at a peece of Evidence, or haue so much Latin as that Emperour had, *qui nescit dissimulare, nescit vivere*, they are vnfit to doe their Countrey seruice, to performe or vnder-take any action or imployment, which may tend to the good of a Commonwealth, except it be to fight, or to doe country iustice, with common sense, which euery Yeoman can likewise doe. And so they bring vp their children, rude as they are themselues, vntaught, vnciuill most part. Shall these men iudge of a Schollers worth, that haue no worth, that know not what belögs to a Students labours, that cannot distinguish betwixt a true Scholler, and a drone? or him that by reason of a voluble tongue, a strong voice, a pleasing tone, and some trivantly *Polyanthean* helps, steales and gleanes a few notes from other mens Haruests, and so makes a faire shew, and him that is truly learned indeed: that thinkes it no more to preach, then to speake, and no more *x* then to runne away with an empty cart, as a graue man said; and thereupon vilify vs, and our paines; scorne vs, & all Learning. *y* Because they are rich, and haue other meanes to liue, they thinke it concernes them not to know, or to trouble themselues with it; a fitter taske for yonger brothers,

or

m *Primum locum apud omnes gentes habet patritius deorum cultus, & genitorum, nam hunc diuinitate custodiunt, tam Greci, quam Barbari, &c.*

n *Tom. 1. de sevil. trium annorum sub Elia sermone.*

o *Ouid. Fast. De male quæ sitis vix gaudet tertius heres.*

9 *Strabo lib. 4. Geog.*

x *Nihil facilius opes evertet, quàm avaritia & fraud de parta. Et senim seram addas tali arce & exteriori ianua, & velle eam communias, intus tamen fraudem & avaritiam, &c. in 5. Corinth.*

y *Acad. cap. 7. Ars neminem habet inimicum præter ignorantiam.*

u *He that cannot dissemble, cannot liue.*

x *Dr King, in his last Lecture on Ionas, sometimes right reverend L. Bishop of London.*

y *Quibus opes & otium, hi barbaro fastu licentia concupiscunt.*

or poore mens sonnes, and no whit beleeving the calling of a Gentleman: as *Frenchmen* and *German*s commonly doe, neglect therefore all humane Learning, what haue they to doe with it? Let *Marriners* learne *Astronomy*; *Merchants* *Factors* study *Arithmetike*; *Surveyors* get them *Geometry*; *Spectacle-makers* *Optickes*; *Land-leapers* *Geography*; *Towne-Clarks* *Rhetoricke*; what should he doe with a spade, that hath no ground to digge; or they with Learning, that haue no vse of it? Thus they reason, and are not ashamed to let *Marriners*, *Prentises*, and the basest seruants, to be better qualified then theselues. In former times, *Kings*, *Princes* & *Emperors* were the only *Schollers*, excellent in all faculties. *Iulius Caesar* mended the yeare, and writ his owne *Commentaries*.² *Antonius*, *Adrian*, *Nero*, *Severus*, *Iulian*, &c.³ *Michael* the Emperour, and *Isatius*, were so much giuen to their studies, that no base fellow would take so much paines. *Orion*, *Perseus*, *Alphonso*, *Ptolomeus*, famous *Astronomers*: *Sabor*, *Mithridates*, *Lyfimachus*, admired *Physicians*: *Plato*s kings all. *Euax* that *Arabian* Prince, a most expert *luel*-ler, and an exquisite *Philosopher*; The *Kings* of *Egypt* were *Priests* of old, & chosen from thence, — *Idem rex hominum*, *Phæbig*, *sacerdos*: but those heroicall times are past; the *Muses* are now banished in this bastard age, ad *sordida tuguriola*, to meaner persons, confined alone to *Vniuersities*. In those dayes, *Schollers* were highly beloued, & honored, esteemed; as *Virgil* by *Augustus*; *Horace* by *Mecænas*: *Princes* companions; as *Anacreon* to *Polycrates*; *Philoxenus* to *Dionysius*, and highly rewarded: *usu rerum aut eruditione prestantes viri*, *mensis olim regum adhibiti*, as *Philostratus* relates of *Adrian*, & *Lampridius* of *Alexander Severus*, famous *Clarks*, came to these *Princes* Courts, *velut in Lyceum*, as to an *Vniuersity*, and were admitted to their *Tables*, *quasi diuûm epulis accumbentes*: And it was fit it should be so, ^d *quoniam illis nihil deest*, & *minimè egere solent*, & *disciplinas quas profitentur*, *soli à contemptu vindicare possunt*, they needed not to beg so basely, as they compell ^e *Schollars* in our times to complaine of pouerty, or crouch to a rich chuffe for a meales meate, but could vindicate themselves, and those *Arts* which they professed. Now they would, and cannot: for it is held by some of them, as an *axiome*, that to keepe them poore, will make them study; they must be dieted, as horses to a race, not pampered, ^f *alendos volunt*, *non saginandos*, *ne melioris mentis flammula extingatur*; a fat bird will not sing, a fat dog cannot hunt; and so by this depression of theirs, ^f some want meanes, others will, all want ^g *incouragement*, as being forsaken almost, and generally contemned. How deare of old, and how much respected was *Plato* of *Dionysius*? how deare to *Alexander* was *Aristotle*? *Plutarch* to *Traian*? *Seneca* to *Nero*? *Simonides* to *Hieron*? how much respected?

^h *Sed hæc prius fuere, nunc recondita*

Senent quiete,

those times are gone:

Et spes, & ratio studiorum in Casare tantum:

as he said of old, we may truely say now, he is our *Amulet*, our ⁱ *Sunne*, our sole comfort and refuge, our *Ptolomy*, our common *Mecænas*, *Iacobus munificus*, *Iacobus pacificus*, *mystra Musarum*, *Rex Platonicus*: *Grande decus, columeng, nostrum*: A famous *Scholler* himselfe, and the sole *Patron*, *Pillar*, and *sustainer* of *Learning*: but his worth in this kinde is so well knowne, that as *Paterculus* of *Cato*, *iam ipsum laudare nefas sit*: & which ^{*} *Pliny* to *Traian*, *Se-*

² *Spartian. Sol. licit de rebus minimis.*
³ *Nicet. i. Anal. Fumis lucubrationum sordabant.*

^e *Grammaticis olim & Dialecticis, Iurisque Professoribus, qui specimen eruditionis dedissent, eadem dignitatis insignia deeerunt Imperatores, quibus ornabantur herodes Erasmi. ep. 10. Fabio epist. Vien.*

^d *Heinsius præfat. Poematum.*

^c *Servile nomen Scholaris iam.*

^f *Seneca.*

^g *Haud facile emergunt &c.*

^h *Mediâ quâdam noctis ab horâ sedisti, quâ nemo faber, quâ nemo sedebat, qui docet obliquo lanâ deducere ferro.*

raratamen merces. Iuv. Sat. 7.

ⁱ *Catullus.*

Iuven.

^k *Nemo est quem non Phæbus hinc noster, solo intus iu lubentiores reddat.*

^{*} *Panagyr.*

riate carmina, honorq; eternus annalium, non hac brevis & pudenda predica-
tio colet.

Let me not be malicious, and lye against my *Genius*; I may not deny, but
that we haue a sprinkling of our Gentry, heere and there one, excellently
well learned,

Apparent raritates in gurgite vastos

but they are but few in respect of the multitude, the major part (and some a-
gaine excepted, that are indifferent) are wholly bent for Hawkes & Hounds,
and carried away many times with intemperate lust, gaming, and drinking. If
they read a booke at any time, 'tis an English Chronicle, *St Huon of Bur-*
deaux, *Amadis de Gaule*, &c. a play-booke, or some pamphlet of Newes, and
that at such seasons onely, when they cannot stirre abroad, to driue away
time,^k their sole discourse is dogs, hawkes, and horses, and what newes? If
some one haue beene a traualer in *Italy*, or as farre as the Emperors Court,
wintered in *Orleanse*, and can court his Mistris in broken French, weare
his cloathes neatly in the newest fashion, sing some choice out landish
Tunes, discourse of Lordes, Ladies, Townes, Palaces, & Cities, hee is com-
pleat, & to be admired: ^l Otherwise he and they are much at one; no diffe-
rence betwixt the Master & the Man, but worshipfull titles: winke & choose
betwixt him that sits downe (cloathes excepted) and him that holdes the
Trencher behinde him: yet these men must be our Patrons, and wise by in-
heritance.

^k *Rarus enim
sermo sensus
communis in illa
Fortuna. Iuven.
Sat. 8.*

^l *Quis enim ge-
nerosum dixerit
hunc qui, indig-
nus genere, &
preclara nomi-
ne tantum In-
signis. Iuven.
Sat. 8.*

^m I haue often
met with my
selfe, and con-
ferred with di-
vers worthy
Gentlemen in
the Country,
no whit infe-
riour, if not to
be preferred
for diuers kind
of learning, to
many of our
Academickes.

^o *Ipsæ licet Mu-
sis venias comi-
tatus Homere,
nil tamen at-
tuleris ibis Ho-
mere foras.
P Et leuat histo-
ricos, auctores
noverit omnes,
Tanquæ unguis
digitoq; suos.
Iuv. Sat. 7.
† Iuvenal.*

Mistake me not (I say againe) *Vos ô Patrius sanguis*, you that are wor-
thy Gentlemen, I honour your names & Persons, & with all submissenesse,
prostrate my selfe to your censure and service. There are amongst you, I
doe ingeniously confesse, many well-deserving Patrons, and true patriots,
of my knowledge, besides many hundreths which I neuer saw, no doubt, or
heard of, pillars of our common-wealth, ^m whose worth, bounty, learning,
forwardnes, true zeale in Religion, & good esteeme of all Schollers, ought
to be consecrated to all posterity: but of your ranke there are a deboshed,
corrupt, couetous, illiterate crew againe, no better then stockes, *merum pe-*
cus (testor Deum, non mihi videri dignos ingenui hominis appellatione) a
sordid, prophane, pernicious company, irreligious, impudent and stupid, I
know not what Epithets to giue them, enemies to Learning, confounders of
the Church, and the ruine of a Common-wealth: Patrons they are by right
of inheritance, and put in trust freely to dispose of such Liuinges to the Chur-
ches good; but (hard taske-masters as they are) they take away their straw,
& compell them to make their number of bricke: they commonly respect
their owne ends, commodity is the steer of all their actions, & him they pre-
sent in conclusion, as a man of greatest gifts, that will giue most; no penny,
^o no *Pater noster*, as the saying is. *Nisi preces auro fulcias amplius irritas*: It
was an old saying, *Omnia Romæ vanalia*, 'tis a ragge of Popery, which will
neuer be rooted out. A Clarke may offer himselfe, approue his P worth, lear-
ning, honesty, religion, zeale, they will commend him for it; but — ^t *probi-*
tas laudatur & alget. If he be a man of extraordinary parts, they will flocke a
farre off to heare him, as they did in *Apuleius*, to see *Psyche*: *multi mortales*
confluebant ad videndum seculi decus, speculum gloriosum: laudatur ab omni-
bis, spectatur ab omnibus, nec quisquam non rex, non regius, cupidus eius nup-
tiarum petitor accedit, mirantur quidem divinam formam omnes, sed ut simu-
lacrunt

lachrum fabrè politum mirantur; many mortal men came to see faire *Psyche*, the glory of her age, they did admire her, commend, desire her for her diuine beauty, and gaze vpon her; but as on a picture, none would marry her, *quod indotata*, faire *Psyche* had no money. ¶ So they doe by learning.

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— *didicit iam diues avarus*
Tantum admirari, tantum laudare disertos,
Vt pueri Iunonis auem. —

Your rich men haue now learn'd of later dayes

T'admire, commend, and come together

To heare and see a worthy Scholler speake,

As children doe a Peacocks feather.

¶ Tu vero licet
 Orpheus sis, saxa
 sono testudinis
 molliens, nisi
 plumbea eorum
 corda, auri vel
 argenti malleo
 emollas &c.
 Salustianensis
 Polykrat. lib. 5.
 c. 10.

¶ Juven. Sat. 7.
 Euge bene; no
 need. Douſa
 epod. lib. 2.

— dos ipſa ſci-
 entia, ſibiq; con-
 giuuium eſt.

¶ Quatuor ad
 portas Eccleſiaſ-
 iae ad omnes;
 ſanguinis, aut Si-
 monis, preſulie
 atq; Dei. Eſcolot.

¶ Lib. contra
 Gentiles de Ba-
 bila martyre.

¶ Preſcribunt,
 imperant, in or-
 dinem cogunt,
 ingenium noſtrum
 prout ipſis vide-
 bitur, aſtringunt
 & relaxant, ut
 papilionem pueri
 aut bruchum filo
 demittunt, aut
 attrahunt, nos à
 libidine ſua pen-
 dere æquum cõ-
 ſentes. Heiſius.

¶ Iohn 5.

He ſhall haue all the good words that may be giuen, ſa proper man, and 'tis pitty he hath no preferment, all good wiſhes; but inexorable, indurate as he is, he will not preferre him, though it be in his power, becauſe he is *indotatus*, he hath no mony. Or if he doe giue him entertainment, let him be neuer ſo well qualified, or pleade affinity, conſanguinity, ſufficieny, he ſhall ſerue 7 yeares, as *Iacob* did for *Rachel*, before he ſhall haue it. ¶ If he will enter at firſt, he muſt come in at that *Simoniacall* gate, come off ſoundly, and put in good ſecurity to performe all covenants, or els hee will not deale with, or admit him. But if ſome poore Scholler, ſome parſon chuſſe will offer himſelfe; or ſome Trencher Chaplaine, that will take it to the halſes, thirds, or accept of what he will giue, he is welcome, bee conformable, preach as hee will haue him, he likes him before a million of others; for the beſt is alway beſt cheape: & then as *Hierome* ſaid to *Cromatius*, *patellâ dignum operculum*, ſuch a Patron, ſuch a Clarke; the cure is ſupplied, & all parties pleaſed. So that is ſtill verified in our age, which *Chryſoſtome* complained of in his time, *Qui opulentes ſunt in ordinem paraſitorum cogunt eos, & ipſos tanquam canes ad menſas ſuas enutriunt, eorumq; impudentes Ventres iniquarum cœnarum reliquijs differtiunt, iſdem pro arbitrio abutentes*. Rich men keepe theſe Lecturers, and fawning Paraſites, like ſo many Dogges at their tables, and filling their hungry guts with the offauls of their meate, they abuſe them at their pleaſure, and make them ſay what they propoſe. * As children doe by a bird or a butterflye in a ſtring, pull him, and let him out as they liſt: doe they by their trencher Chaplins, preſcribe, cõmand their wits, let in & out, as to them it ſeemes beſt. If the Patron be precise, ſo muſt his Chaplaine be; os if he be Papiſtical, he muſt be ſo too, or elſe bee turned out. Theſe are thoſe Clearkes which ſerue the turne, whom they commonly entertaine, and preſent to Church- liuings, whiſt in the meane time we that are Vniuerſity men, like ſo many hide-bound Calues in a Paſture, tarry out our time, and wither away as a ſlowre vngathered in a garden, and are neuer vſed: or as ſo many candles, illuminate our ſelues alone, obſcuring one anothers light, and are not diſcerned heere at all; the leaſt of which, tranſlated to ſome darke roome, or to ſome Countrey Benefice, where it might ſhine apart, would giue a faire light, and be ſeene ouer all. Whiſt we lye waiting here as thoſe ſick-men did at the poole of *Bethſeda*, till the Angell ſtirred the water, expecting a good houre, they ſtep betweene, and beguile vs of our preferment. I haue not yet ſaid, If after long expectation, much expence, trauell, and earneſt ſuit of our ſelues and friends, we obtaine a ſmall Benefice at laſt: our miſery beginnes a-freſh,

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† Epist. lib. 2.
Iam suspectus in
locum demortui,
protinus exortus
est adversarius,
&c. post mul-
tos labores, sup-
er me, &c.

a-fresh, wee come to a ruinous house, which before it bee habitable, must be necessarily repaired, and we are compelled to sue for dilapidations; and scarce yet settled, we are called vpon for our Predecessors arrerages, first fruits, tenthes, subsidies, are instantly to be payd, benevolence, procurations, &c. and which is most to be feared, wee light vpon a crackt title, as it befell *Clenard of Brabant*, for his Rectory and his *Begina*, he was no sooner inducted, but instantly sued, *cepimusq;* († saith he) *strenue litigare, & implicabili bello configere*: at length after ten yeares sute, as long as *Troyes* siege, when he had tyred himselfe, and spent his mony, he was faine to leaue all for quietnes sake, and giue it vp to his aduersary. Or els wee stand in feare of some precedent Lapse; we fall amongst refractory, seditious Sectaries, peeuish Puritans, peruerse Papists, or a lasciuious rout of Atheisticall *Epicures*, that will not be reformed; or some litigious people, that will not pay their dues without much repining, or compelled by long suit; all they thinke well gotten that is had from the Church, and by such vnciuill, harsh dealings, they make their poore Minister a weary of his place, if not his life: and put case they be quiet honest men, make the best of it, as often it falls out, hee must turne rusticke, and daily conuerse with a company of Idiots and Clownes.

Nos interim quod attinet (nec enim immunes ab hac noxa sumus) idem reatus manet, idem nobis, & si non multò grauius, crimen obijci potest: nostrâ enim culpâ fit, nostrâ iniuriâ, nostrâ avaritiâ, quod tam frequentes, fœdæq; fiant in Ecclesiâ nundinationes, († *templum est venale, deusq;*) tot sordes invehantur, tanta grassetur impietas, tanta nequitia, tam insanus miseriarum Euripus, & turbarum æstuarium, nostro inquam, omnium (Academicorum imprimis) vitio fit. Quod tot Respub. malis afficiatur, à nobis seminarium, ultrò malum hoc accersimus, & quâvis contumeliâ, quâvis interim miseriâ digni, qui pro virili non occurrimus. Quid enim fieri posse speramus, quum tot indiês sine delectu pauperes alumni, terræ filii, & cuiuscunq; ordinis homunciones, ad gradus certatim admittantur? qui si definitionem, distinctionemq; unam aut alteram memoritèr edidicerint, & pro more tot annos in dialecticâ posuerint, non refert quo profectu, quales demum sint, Idiota, nugatores, otiatores, alcatores, compotores, indigni, libidinis voluptatumq; administri,

Sponsi Penelopes, nebulones, Alcinoi,

modò tot annos in Academia insumpserint, & se pro togatis vendiderint; luctu causâ, & amicorum intercessu præsentatur: Addo etiam & magnificis nonnunquam elogiis morum & scientiæ, & jam valedicturi, testimonialibus hisce literis, amplissimè conscriptis in eorum gratiam honorantur, ab ijs, qui fidei suæ & existimationis iacturam proculdubio faciunt. Doctores enina & Professores (quod ait & ille) *id unum curant, ut ex professionibus frequentibus, & tumultuarijs potius quàm legitimis, commoda sua promoveant, & ex dispendio publico suum faciant incrementum*. Id solum in votis habent annui ple- rumq; magistratus, ut ab incipientium numero 2 pecunias emungant, nec multum interest qui sint, literatores an literati, modò pingues, nitidi, ad aspectum speciosi, & quod verbo dicam, pecuniosi sint. 3 Philosophastri licentiantur in artibus, artem qui non habent, 4 eosq; sapientes esse iubent, qui nullâ præditi sunt sapientiâ, Et nihil ad gradum, præterquam velle adferunt. Theologastri (solvant modò) satis superq; docti, per omnes honorum gra- dus

7 Iun. Acad. c. 6.

2 Accipiamus pecuniam, de- mittamus a sinu, ut apud Patavi- nes, Italos.

3 Hos non ita pridem perstrin- xi, in Philoso- phastro Come- diâ latinâ, in Æde Christi Oxon. publicè habitâ. Anno 2677. Feb. 16.

4 Sat. Adenip.

ducuntur & ascendunt. Atque hinc fit quod tam viles scurræ, tot passim Idiotæ, larvæ pastorum, circumforanei, vagi, bardi, fungi, crassi, asini, merum pecus, in sacrosanctos Theologiæ aditus, illotis pedibus irrumpant, præter inverecundum frontem adferentes nihil, vulgares quasdam quisquillas, & scholarium quædam nugamenta, indigna quæ vel recipiantur in triviis. Hoc illud indignum genus hominum & famelicum, indigum, vagum, ventris mâcipium, ad stivam potius relegandum, ad haras aptius, quàm ad aras, quod divinas hæc literas turpiter prostituit, hi sunt qui pulpita complent, & in ædes nobilium irrepunt, & quum reliquis viræ destituantur subsidiis, ob corporis & animi egestatem, aliarum in Repub: partium minimè capaces sint, ad sacram hanc anchoram confugiunt, sacerdotium quovismodò captantes, non ex sinceritate, quod ^b Paulus ait, sed cauponantes verbum Dei. Ne quis interim viris bonis detractum quid putet, quos habet Ecclesia Anglicana quâ plurimos, egregiè doctos, illustres, instructæ famæ viros, & plures forsitan quâ quævis Europæ provincia; ne quis à florentissimis Academiis, quæ viros undiquâq; doctissimos, omni virtutum genere suscipiendos abundè producit. Et multò plures utraq; habitura, multò splendidior futura, si non hæc sordes splendidum lumen eius obscurarent, obstarer corruptio, & cauponantes quædam Harpyæ, proletarij; bonum hoc nobis non inviderent. Nemo enim tam cæcâ mente, qui non hoc ipsum videat: nemo tam stolido ingenio, qui non intelligat; tam pertinaci iudicio, qui non agnoscat, ab his Idiotis circumforaneis, sacram pollui Theologiam, ac coelestes Musas quasi prophanum quiddam prostitui. *Viles animæ & effrontes* (sic enim Lutherus ^c alicubi vocat) lucellâ causâ ut muscæ ad mulctra, ad nobilium & heroum mensas advolant, in spem sacerdotij, cuiuslibet honoris, officij, in quamvis aulam, urbem se ingerunt, ad quodvis se ministerium componunt.

^b 2. Cor. 7. 31.

^c Comments. in Gall.

— Ut nervis alienis mobile lignum — Ducitur —

^d offam sequentes, psittacorum more, in præda spem quidvis effutiunt: obsecundantes Parasiti (^e Erasmus ait) quidvis docent, dicunt, scribunt, suadent, & contra conscientiam probant, non ut salutarem reddant gregem, sed ut magnificam sibi parent fortunam. Opiniones quævis & decreta contra verbum Dei astruunt, ne non offendant patronum, sed ut retineant favorem procerum, & populû plausum, sibiq; ipsis opes accumulent. Eo etenim plerumq; animo ad Theologiam accedunt, non ut rem divinam, sed ut suam faciant; non ad Ecclesiæ bonum promovendum, sed expilandum, quærentes quod Paulus ait, Non quæ Iesu Christi, sed quæ sua, non domini thesaurum, sed ut sibi, suisq; thesaurizent. Nec tantum iis, qui vilioris fortunæ, & abjectæ sortis sunt, hoc in usu est: sed & medios, summos, elatos, ne dicam Episcopos, hoc malum invasit.

^d Heinssius.
^e Ecclesiast.

^f Luth. in Gall.

^g Dicite Pontifices, in sacris quid facit aurum?

^h summos sæpè viros transversos agit avaritia, & qui reliquis morum probitate prælucere; hi facem præterunt ad Simoniam, & in corruptionis hunc scopulum impingentes, non tondent pecus, sed deglubunt, & quocunq; se conferunt, expilant, exhauriunt, abradunt, magnum famæ suæ, si non animæ naufragium facientes: ut non ab infimis ad summos, sed à summis ad infimos malum promanasse videatur, & illud verum sit quod ille olim lussit, Emerat ille prius, vendere iure potest. Simoniacus enim (quod eum Leone dicam) gratiam non accepit, si non accipit, non habet, & si non habet, nec gratus potest esse, Tantum enim absunt istorum nonnulli, qui ad clavum sedent à promovendo

ⁱ Pers. Sat.
^j Salust.

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† Sas. Menip.

reliquos, ut penitus impediunt, probè sibi conscij, quibus artibus illuc pervenerint. † Nam qui ob literas emerisse illos credit, despicit: qui verò ingenij, eruditionis, experientia, probitatis, pietatis, & Musarum id esse pretium putat (quod olim reverà fuit, hodiè promittitur) planissimè insanit. Vt cunq; vel vnde cunq; malum hoc originem ducat, non ultro quæram, ex his primordiis caput vitiæ colluvies, omnis calamitas, omne miseriarum agmen in Ecclesiam invehitur. Hinc tam frequens simonia, hinc ortæ querelæ, fraudes, imposturæ, ab hoc fonte se derivârunt omnes nequitie. Ne quid obiter dicam de ambitione, Adulatione plusquam aulicâ, ne tristi domicenio laborent; de luxu, de sædo nonnunquam vitæ exemplo, quo nonnullos offendant, de cōporatione Sybariticâ, &c. Hinc ille squalor Academicus, *tristes hac tempestate Camenæ*, quum quivis homunculus artium ignarus, his artibus assurgat, hunc in modum promoveatur & ditescat, ambitiosis appellationibus insignis, & multis dignitatibus augustus vulgi oculos perstringat, benè se habeat, & grandia gradiens maiestatem quandam, ac amplitudinem præ se ferens, miramq; sollicitudinem, barbâ reverendus, togâ nitidus, purpurâ coruscus, suppellectilis splendore, & famulorum numero maximè conspicuus. *Quales statuæ* (quod ait i ille) *quæ sacris in ædibus columnis imponuntur, velut oneri cedentes videntur, ac si insudarent, quum reverà sensu sint carentes, & nihil saxeam adiuvant firmitatem*: Atlantes videri volunt, quum sint statuæ lapideæ, umbratiles reverà homunciones, fungi forsan & bardi, nihil à saxo differentes. Quum interim docti viri, & vitæ sanctioris ornamentis præditi, qui æstum diei sustinent, his iniquâ sorte serviant, minimo forsan salario contenti, puris nominibus nuncupati, humiles, obscuri, multoq; digniores licet, e-gentes, inhonorati vitam privam privatam agant, tenuiq; sepulchri sacerdotio, vel in collegiis suis in æternum incarcerati, ingloriè delitescant. Sed nolo diutius hanc movere sentinam, hinc illæ lachrymæ, lugubris musarum habitus, † hinc ipsa religio (quod cum *Sesellio* dicam) in ludibrium & contemptum adducitur, abiectum sacerdotium (atq; hæc ubi fiunt, ausim dicere, & putidum † puridi dicterium de clero usurpare) *Putidum vulgus*, inops, rude, sordidum, melancholicum, miserum, despicabile, contemnendum.

i Budens de
Assè lib. 5.

† Lib. 1. de rep.
Gallorum.

† Campian.

MEMB. 4.

SVBSEC. I.

Non-necessary, remote, outward, adventitious, or accidental causes: as first from the Nurse.

† Proem. lib. 2.
nulla ars consti-
tui potest.

† Lib. 1. cap. 19
de morborum
causis. Quas de-
clinare licet aut
nullâ necessitate
vitamur.

OF those remote, outward, ambient, *Necessary* causes I have sufficiently discoursed in the precedent member, the *Non-necessary* follow of which, saith † *Fuchsius*, no art can be made, by reason of their uncertainty, casualty, and multitude; so called *not necessary*, because according to † *Fernelius* they may be avoided, and used without necessity. Many of these accidental causes, which I shal entreat of here, might have well beene reduced to the former, because they cannot be avoided, but fatally happen to vs, though accidentally, and at vnawares, at some time or other: the rest are contingent and inevitable, and more properly inserted in this rancke of causes. To reckon vp all is a thing vnpossible, of some therefore most remarkable, of

of these contingent causes which produce Melancholy, I will briefly speake and in their order.

From a child's Natiuity, the first ill accident that can likely befall him, in this kinde is a bad Nurse, by whose meanes alone, hee may bee tainted with thisⁿ malady from his cradle. *Aulus Gellius lib. 12. cap. 1.* brings in *Phauorinus* that eloquent Philosopher, prouing this at large, ° that there is the same vertue and property in the milke as in the seed, and not in men alone, but in all other creatures: he giues instance in a Kid and Lambe, if either of them sucke of the others milke, the Lambe of the Goats, or the Kid of the Ewes, the wooll of the one will be hard, the haire of the other soft. *Giraldus Cambrensis Itinerar. Cambriae lib. 1. cap. 2.* confirms this by a notable example which happened in his time. A sow pigge by chance sucked a Brach, and when shee was growne, P would miraculously hunt all manner of Deere, and that as well, or rather better then any ordinary hound. His conclusion is, ¶ that Men and beasts participate of her nature and conditions, by whose milke they are fed. *Phauorinus* vrgeth it farther, and demonstrates it more evidently, that if a Nurse bee misshapen, vnchast, dishonest, impudent, drunke, & cruell, or the like, the childe that sucks vpon her breast will be so too; and all other affections of the minde, and diseases almost are ingrafted, as it were, and imprinted into the temperature of the Infant, by the Nurses milke; as Pox, Leprosie, Melancholy, &c. *Cato* for that reason would make his seruants children sucke vpon his wiues breast, because by that meanes they would loue him and his the better, and in all likelihood agree with them. A more evident example that the mindes are altered by milke, cannot be giuen then that of *Dion* which he relates of *Caligula's* cruelty, it could neither be imputed to father or mother, but to his nurse alone, that anointed her paps with blood still, which made him such a murderer, and to expresse her to a haire: And that of *Tiberius*, who was a common drunkard, because his Nurse was such a one. *Et si delira fuerit* (° one obserues) *infantum delirum faciet*, if she be a foole or dolt, her childe shee nurseth will take after her, or otherwise be misaffected; Which *Franciscus Barbarus lib. 2. cap. ult. de re uxoria*, proues at full; and *Ant. Guinnarra lib. 2. de Marco Aurelio*: The childe will surely participate. For bodily sicknesse there is no doubt to be made. *Titus, Vespasianus* son was therefore sickly because his Nurse was so, *Lampridius*. And if we may beleue Physicians, many times children catch the pox from a good Nurse, *Botaldus cap. 61. de lue vener.* For these causes *Aristotle Polit. lib. 7. cap. 17.* *Phauorinus*, and *Marcus Aurelius* would not haue a childe put to nurse at all, but every mother to bring vp her owne, of what condition soeuer she be. Which some women most curiously obserue, and amongst the rest, ¶ that Queene of France, a Spaniard by birth, that was so precise and zealous in this behalfe, that when in her absence, a strange Nurse by chance had suckled her childe, she was neuer quiet till she had made the infant vomit it vp againe. But shee was too ialous: if it be so, as many times it is, they must be put forth, I would then aduise such mothers as *Plutarch* doth in his booke *de liberis educandis*, and *S. Hierome lib. 2. epist. 27. Lete, de institut. fil. Magnus part. 2. Reg. sanit. cap. 7.* that they make choice of a sound woman, of a good complexion, honest, free from bodily diseases, if it be possible, all passions and perturbations of

ⁿ Quosemel est imbuta recens seruiabit odorem Testa diu. Hor. ° Sicut valet ad fingendas corporis atq; animi similitudines vis & natur. seminis. sic quoq; lactis proprietas. Neq; id in hominibus solum, sed in pecudibus animaduersum Nam si orium lacte hodi aut caprarum agni alerentur, constat fieri in his lanam duriorem in illis capillam gigni seuiorem

¶ Adulta in ferarum persecutione ad miraculum usq; sagax. ¶ Tam animal quodlibet quam homo, ab illa cuius lacte nutritur naturam contrahit. ¶ Improbis, in formis, in iudiciis temulenta nutritrix &c. quoniam in moribus efformandis magnam sepe partem ingenitricis & naturae lactis tenet. ¶ Hircanti q; ad morunt ubera Tigres, Virg. ¶ Lib. 2. de Caesaribus.

¶ Beda cap. 27. l. b. 1. Eccles. hist. ¶ Ne infans lactis alimento degeneret corpus et animus corrumptur. ¶ Stephanus. ¶ To 2. Nutrices non quasuis, sed maxime probas deligamus. ¶ Nutrix non sit lasciuia aut temulenta. Hier.

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^b Prohibendum
ne stolidus lactet.
^c Pqf.

the minde, as sorrow, feare, grieve, ^b folly, melancholy. For such passions corrupt the milke and alter the temperature of the childe, which now being ^c *vdum & molle lutum*, is easily seasoned and perverted. And if such a nurse may be found out, let *Phavorinus* and *M. Aurelius* plead how they can against it, I had rather accept of her, then the mother her selfe. For why may not the mother be a whore, a peeuishe drunken flurt, a waspish cholerick flut, a crazed peece, a foole (as many mothers are) as soone as the Nurse? There is more choice of Nurses then Mothers; and therefore except the mother bee most vertuous, staid, a woman of excellent good parts, and of a sound complexion, I would haue all children in such cases committed to strangers. And 'tis the only way; as by marriages they are engrafted to other families to alter the breed, or if any thing be amisse in the mother, as *Lodouicus Mercatus* contends, *Tom. 2. lib. de morb. hered.* to preuent diseases and future maladies, to correct and qualifie the childs ill disposed temperature, which hee had from his parents. This is an excellent remedy, if good choice bee made of such a Nurse.

SVBSEC. 2.

Education a cause of Melancholy.

^a Lib. de morbis
capit. de
mania. haud po-
strema causa
supputatur edu-
catio, inter has
mentis abaliena-
tionis causas.
Iniusstia nouerca.

EDUCATION, of these accidentall causes of Melancholy, may iustly chal-
lenge the next place. for if a man escape a bad nurse, he may be vndone
by euill bringing vp. ^d *Iason Pratensis*, puts this of Education for a prin-
cipall cause, bad parents, step-mothers, Tutors, Masters, Teachers, too rigo-
rous, and too seuer, or too remisse or indulgent on the other side, are often
fountaines and furtherers of this disease. Parents and such as haue the tuiti-
on and oversight of children, offend many times in that they are too sterne,
alway threatening, chiding, brawling, whipping, or striking, by meanes of
which, their poore children are so disheartned and cowed, that they neuer
after haue any courage, or a merry houre in their liues, or take pleasure in a-
ny thing. There is a great moderation to be had in such things, as matters of
so great moment, to the making or marring of a childe. Some fright their
children with beggars, bugbeares, and hobgoblins, if they cry, or bee other-
wayes vnruely: but they are much to blame in it, many times, saith *Lauater de*
spectris. part. 1. cap. 5. ex metu in morbos graues incidant, & noctu dormientes
clamant, for feare they fall into many diseases, and cry out in their sleepe, and
are much the worse for it all their liues: these things ought not at all, or to
be sparingly done, and vpon iust occasion. Tyrannicall, impatient, harebrain
Schoolemasters, *Aiaces flagelliferi*, are in this kinde as bad as hangmen and
executioners, they make many children endure a martyrdom all the while
they are at Schoole, with bad diet, if they boord in their houses, too much
seuerity and ill vsage, they quite peruert their temperature of body & mind:
still chiding, rayling, frowning, lashing, tasking, keeping, that they are *fracti*
animis, moped many times, and weary of their liues, and thinke no slavery in
the world (as once I did my selfe) like to that of a grammer Scholler. *Præcep-*
torum ineptis discruciantur ingenia puerorum, saith *Erasmus*, they tremble at
his voice, lookes, comming in. *S. Austin* in his first booke of his confess. and

4. cap.

4. cap. calls this schooling *meticulosam necessitatem*, and elsewhere a martyr-
dome, and confesseth of himselfe, how cruelly he was tortured in minde for
learning Greek, *nulla verba noueram, & satis terroribus & penis, ut nossem,*
instabatur mihi vehementer, I knewe nothing and with cruell terrors & pu-
nishments I was daily compell'd. Beza complaines in like case of a rigorous
Schoolemaster in *Paris*, that made him by his continuall thundering and
threats, once in a minde to drowne himselfe, had he not met by the way with
an vnkle of his that vindicated him from that misery for the time, by taking
of him to his house, *Trincavellius lib. 1. consil. 16.* had a patient 19 yeares of
age, extreemely melancholy, *ob nimium studium Tarvity & praeceptoris mi-*
nas, by reason of ouermuch study, and his *Tutors threats. Many Masters
are hard hearted and bitter to their seruants, & by that meanes doe so much
deiect, with terrible speeches and hard vsage so crucifie them, that they be-
come desperate, and can neuer be recalled.

* Prefat. ad
Testam.

* Plus mentis
pedagogico stu-
perculo abstulit,
quam unquam
praeceptis suis
sapientiae insil-
lauit.

Others againe, in that other extreame, doe as much harme by their too
much remifnesse, their seruants, children, Schollers, are carried away with
that streame of drunkenesse, Idlenesse, gaming, and many such irregular
courses, that in the end they rue it, curse their parents, and mischiefe them-
selues. Too much indulgence causeth the like, many fond mothers especial-
ly, dote so much vpon their children like † *Aesops Ape*, till in the ende they
crush them to death. *Corporum nutrices animarum noverae*, pampering vp
their bodies to the vndoing of their soules: they will not let them be ^f corre-
cted or controled, but still soothed vp in euery thing they doe, that in con-
clusion, they become rude, vntaught, headstrong, incorrigible, and gracelesse;
They loue them so foolishly, saith † *Cardan*, that they rather seeme to hate them,
bringing them vp not to vertue but iniury, not to learning but riot, not to so-
ber life and conuersation, but to all pleasure and licentious behaviour. Who is
he of so little experience that knowes not that of *Fabius* to bee true, that
Education is another nature altering the minde and will, and I would to God
(saith he) we our selues did not spoyle our childrens manners, by our ouermuch
cockering and nice education, and weaken the strength of their bodies & minds;
that causeth custome, custome nature, &c. For these causes *Plutarch* in his
booke *de lib. educ.* and *Hierom epist. lib. 2. epist. 17.* to *Lata de institut. filiae*,
giues a most especiall charge to all parents, and many good cautions about
the bringing vp of children, that they be not committed to vndiscreet, passi-
onate, bedlam Tutors, light, giddy headed, or couetous persons, and spare for
no cost, that they may be well nurtured and taught, it being a matter of so
great consequence. For such Parents as doe otherwise, *Plutarch* esteemes
like them, that are more carefull of their shooes then of their feet, that rate
their wealth about their children. And he, saith *Cardan*, that leaues his sonne
to a couetous Schoolemaster to be informed, or to a close Abby to fast and learne
wisdome together, doth no other, then that he be a learned foole, or a sickly
wiseman.

† *Camerarius*
emb. 77. cent. 2.
hath elegantly
expressed it in
an Embleme.
perdit amando,
&c.

† *Prov. 13. 24.*
Hee that spa-
reth the rod
hates his son.

† *Lib. 2. de con-*
sol. Tam stultè
pueros diligimus
ut odisse potius
videamur, illos
non ad virtutem
sed ad iniuriam,
non ad eruditi-
onem sed ad lux-
um, non ad vi-
ram, sed volup-
tatem educates.

† *Lib. 1. cap. 3.*
educatio altera
natura, alterat
animos & vo-
luntatem, atq;
vitam (inquit)
liberorū nostro-
rum mores non
ipsi perderemus,
quum infantia
statim delitijs
solumus molli-
re ista educatio;

quam indulgentiam vocamus, nervos omnes, & mentis & corporis frangit, fit ex his consuetudo, inde natura. Perinde agit ac si quis
de calceo sit sollicitus, pedem nihil curet. *Iuven.* Nil patri minus est quam filius. * *Lib. 3. de sapient.* qui avaris pedagogis pueros alen-
dos dant, vel clausos in cenobijs ieiunare simul & sapere, nihil aliud agunt, nisi ut sint vel non sine stultitia eruditi, vel integrā viā
sapientes.

Terrors and affrights causes of melancholy.

Tully in the 4 of his *Tusculans*, distinguisheth these terrors which arise from the apprehension of some terrible object heard or scene, from all other feares, and so doth *Patritius lib. 5. Tit. 4. de regis institut.* Of all feares they are most pernicious and violent, and so suddainely alter the whole temperature of the body, moue the soule and spirits, and strike such a deepe impression, that the parties can neuer bee recovered, causing a more grievous and fiercer melancholy, as *Felix Plater, cap. 3. de mentis alienat.*

¹ Terror & metus maximè ex im rovisso accidentes, ita animi commovent, ut spiritus nunquam recuperent, graviterque, melancholiam terror facit, quam quæ ab internis causis fit. Impressio ita fortis in spiritibus humoribusque cerebri, ut extracta tota sanguineâ massa, è grè exprimitur, Et hæc horrenda species melancholia frequenter oblata mihi, omnes exercebat viros, iuvenes, senes.

² Tract. de melan. cap. 7. & 8. non ab intemperie, sed agitatione, dilatactione, contractione, motu ³ Lib. de fort. & virt. Alex. præsertim in eunte periculo, obdies quoque adfuerunt terribiles. ⁴ Fit à visione horrenda, & uera apparente, vel per insomnia. ⁵ Platerus. ⁶ A Painters wife in Basil, 1600. Somnia vitæ filium bello mortuum, inde melancholica consolari noluit. ⁷ Senec. Herc. Oct. ⁸ Quarta pars comment. de statu religionis in Gallia sub Carolo 9. 1572. ⁹ Ex occurſu demonum aliqui furore corripiuntur, & experientia notum est. ¹⁰ Lib. 8 in Arcad. ¹¹ Lucret. ¹² Puella extra urbem in prato excurrens, & c. mæſta & melancholica domum redijt per dies aliquot vexata, dum mortua est. Plater.

Speakes out of his experience, then any inward cause whatſoever: and imprints it ſelfe ſo forcibly in the ſpirits, braine, humours, that if all the maſſe of blood were let out of the body, it could hardly be extracted. This horrible kind of melancholy (for ſo he rearmes it) had beene often brought before him, and troubles and affrights commonly men and women, young and old, of all ſorts. *Hercules de Saxonia*, calls this kinde of Melancholy (*ab agitatione spirituum*) by a peculiar name, it comes from the agitation, motion, contraction, dilatation, not from any diſtemperature of ſpirits, & produceth ſtrong effects. This Terror is moſt vſually cauſed, as ¹ *Plutarch* will haue, from ſome imminent danger, when ſome terrible object is at hand, heard, ſcene, or conceiued, ² truly appearing, or in a ³ dreame: and many times the more ſudden the accident, it is the more violent.

¹ Stat terror animis, & cor attonitum ſalit,
² Pavidumq; trepidis palpitat venis iecur.

Their ſoule's affright, their heart amazed quakes,
The trembling Liuer pants ith' veines and akes.

Arthemedorus the Grammarian loſt his wits by the vnexpected ſight of a Crocodile, *Laurentius cap. 7. de melan.* The ¹ *Massacre at Lyons 1572.* in the raigne of *Charles 9.* was ſo terrible and fearefull, that many ran mad, ſome died, great-bellied women were brought to bed before their time, generally all affrighted and agaft. Many loſe their wits ² by the ſudden ſight of ſome ſpectrum or diuell, a thing very common in all ages, ſaith *Lanater part. 1. cap. 9.* as *Oreſtes* did at the ſight of the *Furies*, which appeared to him in blaſke (as ³ *Pauſanias* records) The Greeks call them *εἰς μολύχαια*, which ſo terrifie their Soules, or if they be but affrighted by ſome counterfeit diuells in ieſt,

— ¹ ut pueri trepidant, atq; omnia cæcis

In tenebris metuunt, — as children in the darke conceaue

Hobgoblins, & are ſore afraid, they are the worſe for it all their liues. Some by ſudden fires, earthquakes, inundations, or any ſuch diſmall objects: *The miſon* the Phyſician fell into an *Hydrophobia*, by ſeeing one ſicke of that diſeaſe: (*Dioſcorides l. 6. cap. 33.*) or by the ſight of a monſter, a carcaſe, they are diſquieted many months following, and cannot endure that roome where a coarſe hath beene, or for a world would not be alone with a dead man, or lye in that bed many yeares after, in which a man hath died. At ¹ *Baſil* a ma-

² *melancholica* conſolari noluit. ³ *Senec. Herc. Oct.* ⁴ *Quarta pars comment. de ſtatu religionis in Gallia ſub Carolo 9. 1572.* ⁵ *Ex occurſu demonum aliqui furore corripiuntur, & experientia notum eſt.* ⁶ *Lib. 8 in Arcad.* ⁷ *Lucret.* ⁸ *Puella extra urbem in prato excurrens, & c. mæſta & melancholica domum redijt per dies aliquot vexata, dum mortua eſt. Plater.*

my little children in the Spring time, went to gather flowers in a meddow and at the townes end, where a malefactor hung in gibbets, all gazing at it, one by chance flung a stone, & made it stirre, by which accident, all the children affrighted ran away; one slower then the rest, looking backe, and seeing the stirred carcase wag towards her, cryed out it came after her, and was so terribly affrighted, that for many dayes she could not be pacified, but melancholy, died. In the same towne another childe beyond the *Rhine*, sawe a graue opened, and vpon the sight of the carcase, was so troubled in minde, that she could not be comforted, but a little after died, and was buried by it, *Platerus observat. lib. 1.* A Gentlewoman of the same Citty saw a fat hogge cut vp, and when the intrals were opened, and a noysome savour offended her nose, she much misliked, and would no longer abide: a Physitian in presence, told her, that as that hogge was, so was shee, full of filthy excrements, and aggrauated the matter by some other lothsome instances, in so much, that this nice Gentlewoman apprehended it so deeply, that she fell instantly a vomiting, and was much distempered in minde and body, that with all his art and perswasions, for some months after, hee could not restore her to her selfe, she could not forget it, or remoue the obiekt out of her sight, *Idem.* Many cannot endure to see a wound opened, but they are sicke, or a man executed, or sicke of any fearefull disease, as possession, Apoplexies, bewitched: or if they read by chance of some terrible thing, they are as much disquieted, as if they had seene it. *Hecates sibi videntur somniare*, they dreame, and continually thinke of it. As lamentable effects are caused by such terrible objects heard, as seene, *auditus maximos motus in corpore facit*, as *Plutarch* holds, no sense makes greater alteration of body and minde: let them beare witnesse that haue heard those Tragicall allarums, outcries, hideous noises, which are many times suddenly heard in the dead of the night by irruption of enemies, accidentall fires, &c. those * panicke feares, which often driue men out of their wits, bereaue them of sense, vnderstanding and all, some for a time, some for all their liues, they neuer recover it. The *Midianites* were so affrighted by *Gideons* souldiers, they breaking but euery one a pitcher; and * *Hannibals* army by such a panicke feare, discomfited at the walls of *Rome*. *Augusta Livia* hearing a few Tragical verses recited out of *Virgil*, *Tu Marcellus eris*, &c. fell downe dead in a towne. *Edinus* king of *Denmark*, by a sudden sound which he heard, * was turned into fury with all his men, *Cranzius lib. 5.* *Dan. hist.* & *Alexander ab Alexandro lib. 3. cap. 5.* *Amatus Lusitanus* had a patient, that by reason of bad tidings became *Epilepticus*, *cent. 2. cura 90.* *Cardan subtil. lib. 18.* saw one that lost his wits by mistaking of an *Eccho*. If one sense alone can cause such violent commotions of the minde, what may we thinke when hearing, sight, and those other senses are all troubled at once? as by some Earthquakes, thunder, lightning, tempests, &c. At *Bologne* in *Italy* Anno 1504. there was such a fearefull earthquake about 11 a clocke in the night, as * *Beroaldus* in his booke *de terra motu*, hath commended to posterity, that all the Citty trembled, the people thought the world was at an end, *actum de mortalibus*, such a fearefull noise, it made such a detestable smell; the inhabitants were infinitely affrighted, and some ran mad. *Audem atrocem & annalibus memorandam* (mine Author addes) heare a strange story and worthy to bee chronicled, I had a seruant at the same time called

Altera trans-
Rhenana ingres-
sa sepulchrum
recens apertum,
vidit cadaver,
& domum subi-
to reuera puta-
uit eam vocare,
post paucos dies
obijt, proximo se-
pulchro colloca-
ta. Altera pati-
bulum ero pra-
teriens, melue-
bat ne urbe ex-
clusa illuc perno-
ctaret, unde
melancholica sa-
eta, per multos
annos laboravit.
Platerus.

Subitus occur-
sus, inopinata
lectio.

Lib. de audi-
tione.

** effuso cernens*
fugientes oemi-
ne turmas. Quis
mea nunc inflat
cornua Faunus
an Alciat. embl.
122.

** Iud. 6. 19.*

** Plutarchus*
vita eius.

** In futurum*
cum sociis ver-
sus.

** Subitarius*
sermo molus.

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sermo molus.

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† Caput inde de-
fipere cum dis-
pendio sanitatis,
inde adeo de-
mentans, ut sibi
ipsum mortem in-
ferret.

Historica re-
latio de rebus
Iaponicis Tract.
2. de legat. regis
Chinensis à Lo-
dovico Frois le-
suita. A. 1596.
Fuscini dere-
pentē tanta acris
caligo, & terre-
motus, ut multi
cadit e dolerent,
plus imis cor me-
rore & melan-
cholia obruere-
tur. Tantum fre-
mitum edebat,
ut tonitru frago-
rem imitari vi-
deretur, tantum
que, &c.

In urbe Secai
tam horrificus
fuit, ut homines vix sui compotes essent, à sensibus alienati, virore oppressi tam horrendo spectaculo, &c. Quum subit illius tri-
stissima noctis Imago. Qui solo aspectu medicine movebatur ad purgandum. Sicut viatores si ad saxum ingegerint, aut nauae
memores sui casus, non ista modo que offendunt sed & similia horrent perpetui & tremunt.

Fulco Argelanus, a bold and proper man, that was so terrified with it, that he was first melancholy, after doted, at last mad, and made away himselfe. At *Fuscinum* in Iapona there was such an earthquake, and darknesse of a sudden, that many men were offended with head-ache, many overwhelmed with sorrow and melancholy. At Meacum whole streets and goodly palaces were overturned at the same time, and there was such an hideous noyse withall like thunder, and a filthy smell, that their haire stared for feare, and their hearts quaked, men and beasts were incredibly terrified. In Sacai another city, the same earthquake was so terrible vnto them, that many were bereft of their senses; and others by that horrible spectacle so much amazed, that they knewe not what they did. *Blasius* a Christian, the reporter of the newes, was so affrighted for his part, that though it were two months after, he was scarce his owne man, nether could he driue the remembrance of it out of his minde. Many times some yeares after, they will tremble a fresh at the remembrance, or concept of such a terrible obiect, euen all their liues long, if mention be made of it. *Cornelius Agrippa* relates out of *Gulielmus Parisensis*, a story of one, that after a distastfull purge which a Physitian had prescribed vnto him, was so much moved, that at the very sight of Physicke he would be distempred, though he neuer so much as smelled to it, the very sight of Phylick long after, would giue him a purge; nay the very remembrance of it would effect it: like travellers and Sea-men, saith *Plutarch*, that when they haue beene landed on a rocke, for ever after feare not that mischance only, but all such dangers whatsoeuer.

SVBSEC. 4.

Scoffes, Calumnies, bitter Iests, how they cause melancholy.

Leuiter volant,
graviter vulne-
rant. Bernardus

† Ensis fauciat
corpus, mentem
ferio.

† Sciat is eum
esse qui à nemi-
ne ferē & vi sui
magnate, non il-
lustre stipendii
habuit, ne mores
ipsorum Satyris
suis notaret.

Gasp Barthius
presat. p. modid.
& Iovius in vitā
eius. gravissime
inlebat famosis
libellis nomen
suum ad Pas-
quilli statum
fuisse laceratum, decrevitq. ideo statum demoliri &c. Plato lib. 13. de legibus. Qui existimationem curant, poetas vereant, quia
magnum vim habent ad laudandum & vituperandum.

It is an old saying, *A blow with a word, strikes deeper then a blow with a sword*: and many men are as much gauled with a calumny, scurrile and bitter jest, a libell, a pasquill, or the like, as with any misfortune whatsoeuer. Princes and Potentates, that are otherwise happy, and haue all at command, are grievously vexed with these pasquilling libels, and Satyrs: they feare a rayling & *Areteine*, more then an enemy in the field: which made most Princes of his time (as some relate) allow him a liberall pension, that he should not taxe them in his Satyres: The *Cæsars* themselves in Rome were commonly taunted. *Adrian* the sixt Pope, & was so highly offended, and grievously vexed with Pasquillers at Rome, that hee gaue command that statue should be demolished and burned, the ashes to be flung into the riuer *Tyber*, and had done it forthwith, had not *Lodovicus Snessanus*, a facetie companion, dissuaded him to the contrary, by telling him, that Pasquills ashes would turne to frogs in the bottome of the riuer, and croake worse and lower then before. — *genus irritabile vatum*, and therefore * *Socrates* in *Plato* advi-
seth all his friends, that respect their credits, to stand in awe of Poëts, for they

are terrible fellowes, and can praise and dispraise as they see cause. The Prophet David complaines Psal. 123. 4. that his soule was full of the mocking of the wealthy, and of the despitefulnesse of the proud, and Psal. 35. 4. for the voyce of the wicked &c. and their hate, his heart trembled within him, and the terrors of death came upon him. Feare, and horrible feare &c. and Psal. 69. 20. Rebuke hath broken mine heart, and I am full of heavinesse. Who hath not like cause to complaine, and is not so troubled, that shall fall into the mouthes of such men? for many are of so ^h petulant a spleene, and haue that figure *Sarcasimus* so often in their mouthes, so bitter, so foolish, as ⁱ Baltasar Castilio notes of them, that they cannot speake, but they must bite; they had rather lose a friend, then a jest, and what company soeuer they come in, they will be scoffing, humoring, misusing, or putting gulleries of some or other, till they haue made by their humoring and gulling, *ex stulto insanum*: and all to make themselves merry: *Excutiat sibi, non hic cuiquam parcat amico*.

Friends, neuters, enemies, all are as one, to make a foole a mad-man is their sport, and they haue no greater felicity then to scoffe and deride others; they must sacrifice to the god of laughter, with them in ¹ Apuleius, once a day, or els they shall be melancholy themselves, they care not how they grinde and misuse others, so they may exhilarate their owne persons. Leo Decimus, that scoffing Pope, as Iovius hath registred in the 4. booke of his life; tooke an extraordinary delight in humoring of silly fellowes, and to put gulleries vpon them, ^m by commending some, perswading others to this or that; he made *ex stolidis stultissimos, & maxime ridiculos, ex stultis insanos*; hee made soft fellowes, starke noddies; and such as were foolish, quite madde before he left them. One memorable example he recites there, of Tarascomus of Parina a Musitian, that was so humored by Leo Decimus, and Bibiena his second in that businesse, that he thought himselfe to be a man of most excellent skill, (who was indeed a ninny) they ⁿ made him set foolish songs, and invent new ridiculous precepts, which they did highly commend, as to tye his arme that plaid on the Lute, to make him strike a sweeter stroke, ^o and to pull downe the Arras hangings, because the voyce would be clearer, by reason of the reverberation of the wall. In like manner they perswaded one Baraballius of Caieta, that he was as good a Poet as Petrarch, and would haue him to be made a Laureat Poet, and invite all his friends to his installment; and had so possessed the poore man with a conceipt of his excellent Poetry, that when some of his more discreet friends told him of his folly, he was very angry with them, and said, ^p they envied his honour and profferity: It was strange (saith Iovius) to see an old man of 60 yeares, a venerable and graue old man, so gulled. But what cannot such scoffers doe, especially if they finde a soft creature, on who they may worke: nay to say truth, who is so wise, or so discreet, that may not be humored in this kind, especially if some excellent wits shall set vpon him; he that maddes others, if he were so humored, would be as mad himselfe, as much griued and tormented; he might cry with him in the Comedy, *Proh Iupiter, tu homo me adigas ad insaniam*. For all is in these things as they are taken; if he be a silly soule, and doe not perceiue it, it is well, he may happily make others sport, and be no whit troubled himselfe; but if he be apprehensue of his folly, and take it to hart, then it torments him worse then any lash:

^h Petulant sple-
ne cachinno.

ⁱ Cur. l. lib. 2.

^{Ea} quorundam

est infamia, ut

quoties loquitur, to-

ties mordere

tere sibi putent.

¹ Ter. cumib.

² Hor. Ser. lib. 2.

^{Sat. 4.}

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a bitter jest, a slander, a calumny, pierceth deeper then any losse, danger, bodily paine, or iniury whatsoeuer; especially if it shall proceede from a virulent tongue, it cuts (saith David) like a two edged sword. And they smote with their tongues. *1er: 18, 18.* and that so hard, that they leaue an incurable wound behind them. Many men are vndone by this meanes, moped, and so dejected, that they are neuer to be recouered; and of all other men liuing, those which are actually melancholy, or inclined to it, are most sensible (as being suspitious, chollericke, and apt to mistake) and impatient of an iniury in that kinde, they aggravate, and so meditate continually of it, that it is a perpetuall course, not to be remoued, till time weare it out. Although they peradventure that so scoffe, doe it alone in mirth and merriment, and hold it, *optimum alienâ frui insanîâ*, an excellent thing to inioy another mans madnes; yet they must know, that it is a mortall sinne (as *Thomas* holdes) and as the Prophet *David* denounceth, they that vse it, shall neuer dwell in Gods Tabernacle.

2. 2. 2. quest.
75. Irrisio mortale peccatum.
Psal. 15. 3.

Balthasar Castilio lib. 2. de aulico.

Such scurrile jests, flouts, and Sarcasmes therefore, ought not at all to be vsed; especially to our betters, to such as are in misery, or any way distressed: for to such, *erumnarum incrementa sunt*, as he perceiued. *In multis pudor, in multis iracundia &c.* many are ashamed, many vexed, angred, and there is no greater cause or furtherer of melancholy. *Martin Cromerus* in the sixt booke of his History, hath a pretty story to this purpose, of *Vladislaus* the second King of Poland, and *Peter Dunius* Earle of Shrine, they had beene hunting late, and were enforced to lodge in a poore Cottage. When they went to bed, *Vladislaus* told the Earle in iest, that his wife lay softer with the Abbot of Shrine; he not able to containe, replied, *Et tua cum Dabessu*, and yours with *Dabessu*; a gallant yong Gentleman in the Court, whom *Christina* the Queene loued. *Tetigit id dictum Principis animum*, these words of his so galled the Prince, that he was long after, *tristis & cogitabundus*, very sad & melancholy for many moneths; but they were the Earles vtter vndoing; for when *Christina* heard of it, she persecuted him to death. For that reason, all those that otherwise approue of iests in some cases, will by no meanes admit them in their companies, that are any way inclined to this malady; *non iocandum cum iis qui miseri sunt, & erumnosi*, no iesting with a discontented person. 'Tis *Castilio's* caveat, *Io. Pontanus*, and *Galateus*, and euery good mans.

De sermone lib. 4. cap. 3.
Fol. 55. Galateus.

Tully Tusco quest.

Tales ioci ab iniurijs non possunt discerni.
Galateus fol. 55
7 Pibrancke in his Quatrains. 37.

Comitas is a vertue betwixt Rusticity and Scurrility, two Extreames, as Affability is betwixt Flattery and Contention, it must not exceede, but be still accompanied with that *ἀβλαβεια* or innocency, *qua nemini nocet, omnem iniuriam oblationem abhorrens*, hurts no man, abhorres all offer of iniury. Though a man be liable to such a jest, or obloquy, haue beene ouerseene, or committed an offence; yet it is no good manners or humanity, to vpbraide, to hit him in the teeth with his offence, or to scoffe at such a one; those iests (as he saith) are no better then iniuries, byting iests, *mordentes & aculeati*, they are poysoned iests, leaue a sting behind them, and ought not to be vsed.

Set not thy foot to make the blinde to fall,
Nor wilfully offend thy weaker brother:
Nor wound the dead with thy tongues bitter gall,
Neither reioyce thou in the fall of other.

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If these rules could be kept, we should haue much more ease and quiertnesse then we haue, lesse melancholy: whereas on the contrary, we study to mis- use each other, how to sting and gaule, like two fighting bores, bending all our force and wit, friends, fortunes, to crucify † one anothers soules; by meanes of which, there is little content and charity, much virulency, hatred, malice, and disquietnesse amongst vs.

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† Ego huius mi-
sera f. uitate
& dementia
confiteor. Tull.
ad Attic. lib. 11

SVBSEC. 5.

*Losse of liberty, servitude, imprisonment, how they
cause melancholy.*

TO this Catalogue of causes, I may well annexe losse of liberty, servi- tude, or imprisonment, which to some persons is as great a torture as any of the rest. Though they haue all things convenient, sumptuous houses to their vse, faire walkes and gardens, delicious bowres, galleries, good fare and diet, & all things correspondent: yet they are not content, be- cause they are confined, may not come & goe at their pleasure: haue, and do what they will, but liue † *alienâ quadrâ*, at another mans command. As it is † in meates, so is it in all other things, places, societies, sports, let them be ne- uer so pleasant, commodious, wholesome, so good; yet *omnium rerum est sa- tietas*, there is a loathing satiety of all things. The children of *Isracc* were tired with *Manna*, it is irksome to them so to liue, as to a bird in a cage, or a dog in his kennell, they are weary of it. They are happy, it is true, & haue all things to another mans iudgment, that heart can wish, or that they them- selues can desire, *bona si sua nōrint*: yet they loath it, & are tired with the pre- sent: *Est natura hominum novitatis auida*, mans nature is still desirous of newes, variety, delights; & our wandring affections are so irregular in this kinde, that they must change, though it be to the worst. Bachelors must bee married, and married men would be Bachelors; they doe not loue their own wiues, though otherwise faire, wise, vertuous, & well qualified, because they are theirs: our present estate is still the worst, we cannot endure one course of life long, & *quod modò voverat odit*, one calling long, *esse in honore inuat*, *mox displicet*; one place long, ^a *Roma Tybur amo veniosus, Tybure Romam*, that which we earnestly fought, we now contemne. *Hoc quosdam agit ad mor- tem* (saith ^b *Seneca*) *quod proposita sepe mutando in eadem revolvantur, & non relinquunt novitati locum. Fastidio cepit esse vita, & ipse mundus. & su- bit illud rapidissimarum deliciarum, Quousq. eadem?* This alone kils many a man, that they are tyed to the same still, as a horse in a mill, a dogge in a wheele, they run round, without alteration or newes; their life growes odi- ous, the world loathsome; and that which crosseth their furious delights, what? still the same? *Marcus Aurelius* & *Salomon*, that had experience of all worldly delights & pleasure, confessed as much of themselves, that what they most desired, was tedious at last, and that their lust could never be sa- tisfied, all was vanity and affliction of minde.

† *Miserum est
alienâ vivere
quadrâ. Iud.
Cramba bis
cocta.
Vite me reddere
priori.*

^a Hor.^b De Tranquil.
anima.

Now if it be death it selfe, another Hell, to be gluttred with one kinde of sport, dieted with one dish, tyed to one place; though they haue all things otherwise as they can desire, and are in Heauen to another mans opinion,

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what misery and discontent shall they haue, that liue in slavery, or in prison it selfe? *Quod tristius morte in seruitute vivendum*, as *Hermolans* told *Alexander* in *Curtius*, worse then death is bondage. *Equidem ego is sum, qui seruitutem extremum omnium malorum esse arbitror*: I am he (saith *Boterus*) that accompt seruitude, the extremity of misery. And what misery doe they endure, that liue vnder those hard task-masters, in gold-mines, tinne-mines, lead-mines, stone-quarries, cole-pits, like so many mouldewarps vnder ground, condemned to the gallies, to perpetuall drudgery, hunger, thirst, and stripes, without all hope of deliury? How are those women in *Turkie* affected, that most part of the yeare come not abroad; those *Italian* and *Spanish* Dames, that are mewd vp like Hawkes, and lockt vp by their jealous husbands; how tedious is it to them that liue in *Stoues* & *Caues* halfe a yeare together; as in *Island*, *Muscovy*, or vnder the *Pole* it selfe, where they haue six moneths perpetuall night. Nay, what misery & discontent doe they endure, that are in prison? they want all those six non-naturall things at once, good aire, good diet, exercise, company, sleepe, rest, ease &c. that are bound in chaines all day long, suffer hunger, and (as *Lucian* describes it) must abide that filth by stinke, and ratling of chaines; howlings, pitifull out-cryes, that prisoners vsually make: these things are not onely troublesome, but intollerable. They lye nastily amongst todes & frogs in a darke dungeon, in their owne dung, in paine of body, in paine of soule, as *Ioseph* did. *Psal. 105. 18. they hurt his feet in the stocks, the iron entred his soule*. They liue solitary, alone, sequestred from all company, but heart-eating melancholy; and for want of meate, must eate that bread of affliction, prey vpon themselves. Well might *Serculanus* put long imprisonment for a cause, especially to such as haue liued jovially, in all sensuality & lust, and vpon a sudden are estranged and debarred from all manner of pleasures: as were *Huniades*, and *Richard the second*, *Valerian* the Emperour, *Baiazet* the Turke. If it be irksome to misse our ordinary companiōs & repast for once or an houre, what shal it be to lose them for euer? If it be so great a delight to liue at liberty, & to inioy that variety of objects the world affords; what misery & discontent must it needs bring to him, that shall now be cast headlong into that *Spanish* Inquisitiō, to fall from Heaven to Hell, to be cubbed vp vpon a sudden, how shall he be perplexed? what shall become of him? *Robert Duke of Normandy*, being imprisoned by his eldest brother *Henry the first*, *ab illo die in consolabili dolore in carcere contabuit*, saith *Mathew Paris*: from that day forward, pined away with griefe. *Iugurth* that generous Captaine, brought to Rome in triumph, and after imprisoned, through anguish of his soule, and melancholy, died. *Roger*, Bishop of *Salisbury*, the second man from King *Stephen*, (he that built that famous Castle of *Deuises* in *Wiltshire*) was so tortured in prison with hunger, and all those calamities accompanying such men, *ut vivere noluerit, mori nescierit*, he would not liue, & could not dye, betwixt feare of death, & torments of life. *Francis King of France*, was taken prisoner by *Charles the 5th*, *ad mortem ferè melancholicus*, saith *Guicciardine*, melancholy almost to death, and that in an instant. But this is as cleare as the Sun, and needes no farther illustration.

Lib. 8.

Boterus lib. 1. polit. cap. 4.

• If there be any inhabitants.

In *Toxari*.

Interdum quidem collum vinctum est, & manus constricta, noctu vero totum corpus vincitur, ad has miseras accedit corporis fetor, strepitus eiulantium, somni breuitas, haec omnia planè molesta & intollerabilia.

In 9. R. h. a. f. s.

William the Conquerors eldest sonne.

† *Salust. Romam triumpho ductus, tandemq; in carcerem coniectus, animi dolore perijt.*

i *Camden in Wiltsh. miserum senem ita fame & calamitibus in carcere fregit inter mortis metum, & vite tormenta &c.*

• *Vies hodie.*

• *Seneca.*

Svbsar. 6.

SUBSEC. 6.

Poverty and want, causes of Melancholy.

POverty and Want, are so violent oppugners, so vnwelcome guests, so much abhorred of all men, that I may not omit to speake of them a part. Poverty although (if considered aright to a wise, vnderstanding, truly regenerate, and contented man) it be *donu m Dei*, a blessed estate, the way to Heauen, as *m Chrysostome* calls it, Gods gift, the mother of modesty, & much to be preferred before riches (as shall bee shewed in his *n place*) yet as it is esteemed in the worlds censure, 'tis a most odious calling, vile & base, a severe torture, a most intollerable burthen, we *o* shunne it all, *cane peius & angue*, we abhorre the name of it,

† *Paupertas fugitur, totog, arcesitur orbe.*

as being the fountaine of all other miseries, cares, woes, labours, & grieuan-ces whatsoeuer. To auoide which, we will take any paines, --- *extremos currit mercator ad Indos*. We will leaue no hauē, no coast, no creek of the world vnsearched, though it be to the hazard of our liues, we will diue to the bot-
tome of the Sea, to the bowels of the earth † five, sixe, seuen, eight, nine hun-
dred fathome deep, through all five Zones, and both extreames of heat and
cold: we will turne Parasites and slaues, prostitute our selues, sweare & lye,
damne our bodies and soules, forsake God, abjure Religion; steale, rob, mur-
der, rather then endure this vn sufferable yoke of Poverty, which doth so ty-
rannize, crucify, and generally depresse vs.

For, looke into the world, and you shall see men generally esteemed ac-
cording to their meanes; and happy, as they are rich: * *Vbiq, tanti quisq,*
quantum habuit fuit. In the vulgar opinion, if a man be wealthy, no matter
how he gets it, of what parentage, how qualified, how vertuously endowed,
or villanously inclined; let him be a bawde, a gripe, an vsurer, a villaine, a Pa-
gan, a Barbarian, a wretch, † *Lucians* tyrant, on whom you may looke with lesse
security, then on the Sunne: so that he be rich (and liberall withall) he shall be
honoured, admired, adored, revered, & highly p magnified. The rich is had
in reputation because of his goods, *Eccl. 10. 31*. He shal be befriended: for riches
gather many friends, *Prov. 19. 4*. --- *multos numerabit amicos*, all *q* happinesse
ebbes and flowes with his mony, he shall bee accompted a gracious Lord, a
Mecenas, a benefactor, a wise, discreet, a proper, a valiant man, a fortunate
man, of a generous spirit. *Pullus Iouis & galline filius alba*: a hopeful, a good
man, a vertuous, honest man. *Quando ego te Iunoniū puerum, & matris partum*
verē aureum, as *Tully* said of *Octavianus*, while hee was adopted *Cesar*, & an
heire apparent of so great a Monarchy, he was a golden child. All *e* honor,
offices, applause, grand titles, and turgent Epithets are put vpon him, *omnes*
omnia bona dicere, all mens eyes are vpon him, God blesse his good worship,
his honor; *u* euery man speakes well of him, euery man presents him, seeks &
sues to him for his loue, fauour and protection, to serue him, belong vnto
him, euery man riseth to him, as to *Themistocles* in the *Olympicks*, if he speak,
blesse him, and hopefull; why? he is heire apparent to the right worshipfull, to the right honorable, &c.
nummi: vobis hunc praestat honorem. *Exinde sapere enim omnes dicimus, ac quisq, fortunam habet.* *Plautus Pseud.*

*m Com. ad He-
braeos.*

n Pert. 2. Sec. 3

Mem. 3.

*o Quem ut dif-
ficilem morbum
pueris tradere
formidamus.*

Plutarch

† *Lucan lib. 1.*

† As in the fil-
uer mines at
Friburg in Ger-
many. *Fines Mo-
risom.*

* *Euripides.*

† *Tam. 4. dial.*
*minorem peri-
culo Solem qua
bunc defixis o-
culis licet in-
tueri.*

*o Omnis enim
res, virtus, fama
decus, diuina,
humanaq, pul-
chris Diuitis
parent. Hor. Ser.*

lib. 2. Sat. 3.

*Clauus erit for-
tis, iustus, sapi-
ens etiam rex.
Et quicquid vo-
let. Hor.*

*q Et genus, &
formam, regina
pecunia donat.*

*Mony addes
spirits, cou-
ra, &c.*

*† Epist. ult. ad
Atticum.*

*† Our yong
Master, a fine
towardsly gen-
tleman, God*

o munus

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* Aurea fortuna,
ma, principum
cubiculis reponi
solita. Iulius Ca-
pitollinus vita
Antonini.
† Petronius.

as of Herod, *Vox Dei, non hominis*, the voyce of God, and not of man. All the graces, Veneres, pleasures, elegances attend him, * golden Fortune accompanys and lodgeth with him; and as to those Roman Emperours, is placed in his chamber.

† *Securâ naviget aurâ,*

Fortunamq. suo temperet arbitrio:

he may saile as he will himselfe, & temper his estate at his pleasure, Ioviall dayes, splendor & magnificence, sweet Musick, dainty fare, the good things, & fat of the land, fine clothes, rich attires, soft beds, down pillows are at his command, all the World labours for him, thousands of Artificers are his slaves, to drudge for him, runne, ride & poast for him: † Divines, Lawyers, Physitians, Philosophers, Schollers, are his; wholly devoute to his service. Every man seekes his * acquaintance, his kintred, to match with him, though he be an ause, a ninny, a monster, a gooscap, *uxorem ducat Danaën*, when, & whom he will, *hunc optant generum Rex & Regina*, --- hee is an excellent * match for my sonne, my daughter, my neece &c. *Quicquid calcaverit hic, Rosa fiet*, let him goe whither he will, Trumpets sound, Bells ring &c. all happinesse attends him, euery man is willing to entertaine him, he sups in *Apollo* wheresoever he comes; what preparation is made for his * entertainement? fish and fowle, spices & perfumes, all that sea & land affords. What cookery, masking, mirth to exhilarate his person?

† *Da Trebio, pone ad Trebium, vis frater ab illis*

Ilibus? --- What dish will your good worship eat of?

† *dulcia poma,*

Et quoscung. feret cultus tibi fundus honores,

Ante Larem gustet, venerabilior Lare diues.

Sweet apples, and what e're thy fieldes afford,

Before thy gods be seru'd, let serve thy Lord.

What sport will your honour haue? hawking, hunting, fishing, fowling, bulles, beares, cards, dice, cockes, players, tumblers, fidlers, jesters &c. they are at your good worships command. Faire houses, gardens, orchards, galleries, pleasant walks, delightfome places, they are at hand; * *in aureis lac, vinum in argenteis, adolescentula ad nutum speciosa*, wine, wenches &c. a *Turkie Paradise*, Heauen vpo earth. And though he be a silly soft fellow, & scarce haue common sense, yet if he be borne to fortunes (as I haue said) † *iure hereditario sapere iubetur*, he must haue honor & office in his course. *Nemo nisi dives honore dignus.* Ambros. 2. offic. 21. none so worthy as himselfe: He shal haue it, atq. *esto quicquid Seruius aut Labeo*: get mony enough, & command † Kingdomes, Provinces, Armies, Hearts, Hands, and Affections; thou shalt haue Popes, Patriarkes to be thy Chaplins; thou shalt haue (Tamberlin-like) Kings to draw thy Coach; Queenes to be thy Landresses, Emperours thy foot-stooles, build more townes and Citties then great Alexander, Babel Towres, Pyramides and Mausolean Tombs &c. command Heauen & earth, and tell the World, tis thy vassall, *auro emitur diadema, argento cælum panditur, denarius Philosophum conducit, nummos ius cogit, obulus literatum pascit, metallum sanitatem conciliat, as amicos coglutinat*. It is not with vs, as amongst those Athenian Senators of Licurgus in Plutarch, hee preferred that descended best, and was most vertuous and worthy of the place, † not swiftnesse, or strength, or wealth, or friends carried it in those dayes; but *inter optimos optimus*,

† Theologi opulenti adherent, Iurisperiti pecuniosi, literati numerosi, liberalibus artifices, &c.

* Multi illum iuueas, multæ petiere puellæ.

† Dummodo sit dives barbarus, ille placet.

† Plat. in Lucullo. A rich chamber so called.

* Panis pane melior.

† Iuven. Sat. 5.

† Hor. Sat. 5. l. 2

* Bohemus de Turcis & Breidenbach.

† Euphorio, & Qui pecuniam habent, elati sunt animi: lofty spirits, braue men at armes, all rich men are generous, &c.

† Nummus apud pro. m. nubat Cornubia Rome.

† Non fuit apud mortales ullum excellentius certamen, non inter celeres celerissimo, non inter robustos robustissimo, &c.

mus, inter temperantes temperantissimus, the most temperate and best. Wee haue no *Aristocrasie* but in contemplation, all *Oligarchies*, wherein a few rich men domineere, and doe what they list, and are priuiledged by their greatnesse. They may freely trespasse, and doe what they please, no man dare accuse them, no not so much as mutter against them, there is no notice taken of it, they may securely doe it, liue after their owne lawes, and for their money, get Pardons, Indulgences, redeeme their soules from Purgatory and Hell, *clausum possidet arca Iouem*. Let them be *Epicures*, or *Atheists*, *Liber-tines*, *Machiavilians*, (as often they are)

* *Et quamvis periurus erit, sine gente, cruentus*, they may goe to heauen through the eye of a needle, if they will themselves, they may be canonized for Saints, they shall be^k honorably interred in *Mausolean* tombes, commended by Poets, registred in Histories, haue Temples, and statues erected to their names, *-e manibus illis Nascentur viole-*. If he be bouitfull in his life, and liberall at his death, he shall haue one to sweare, as he did by *Claudius* the Emperour in *Tacitus*, he saw his soule goe to heauen, and bee miserably lamented at his funerall. *Ambubaiarum collegia, &c. Trimalcionis Topanta in Petronius recta in cælum abiit*, went right to Heauen: a base queane, *1 thou wouldst haue scorned in thy misery to haue a penny from her*, and why? *modio nummos metijt*, she measured her money by the bushell. These prerogatiues doe not vsually belong to rich men, but to such as are most part seeming rich, let him haue but a good^m outside, he carries it, and shall bee adored for a God, as *† Cyrus* was amongst the *Persians*, *ob splendidum apparatus*, for his gay tyres; now most men are esteemed according to their cloathes. In our gullish times, him, whom you peradventure in modesty would giue place to, as being deceaued by his habit, & presuming him some great worshipfull man, beleue it, if you shall examine his estate, he will likely be proued a seruing man of no great note, my Ladies Taylor, or his Lordships Barber, or some such gull, a *Fastidius Briske*, a *St Petronell Flashe*, a meere outside. Only this respect is giuen him, and wherefoeuer he comes, he may call for what he will, and take place, by reason of his outward habit.

But on the contrary, if he be poore, *Prov. 15. 15. all his dayes are miserable*, he is vnder hatches, deiected, reiected and forsaken, poore in purse, poore in spirit. * *prout res nobis fluit, ita & animus se habet*. Though hee bee honest, wise, learned, well deseruing, noble by birth, and of excellent good parts: yet in that he is poore, he is contemned, neglected. *Frustra sapit, inter literas esurit, amicus molestus*. ⁿ If hee speake what babler is this? *Ecclus*. his nobility without wealth, is ^o *proiecta vilior algâ*, and he not esteemed: *Nos viles pulli nati infelicibus ouis*, if once poore, we are metamorphosed in an instant, base slaues, and vile drudges, ^t for to be poore is to be a knaue, a foole, a wretch, a wicked fellow, a common eyesore, say poore and say all: they are borne to labour, to misery, to carry burdens, like juments, *pistum sterens comederet* with *Vlysses* companions, and as *Chremilus* objected in *Aristophanes*, [†] *salem lingere*, lick salt, to empty jakes, say channels, ^p carry out dirt and dunghills, sweepe chimnies, rub horse heeles, &c. they are vgly to behold, and though earst spruce, now rusty and squalid, because poore, * *immundas fortunas equum est squalorem sequi*, tis ordinarily so. ^q Others eat to liue, but they liue to drudge, [†] *seruilis & misera gens nihil recusare audeat*, a ser vile generation that dare

Quicquid libet licet.

Hor. Sat. 3. l. 2

Cum moritur diues concurrunt undiq; ciues: Pauperis adfunus vix est ex millibus vnus.

Et modo quid fuit, ignoscat mihi genius tuus, noluisse de manu eius nummos accipere.

^m Hee that weares silke, sattin, velvet, and gold lace, must needs be a Gentleman. [†] *Xenophon Ciriopæd. lib. 8.*

^{*} *Euripides.* ⁿ *In tenui rara est facundia panis. l. i. ven.*

^o *Hor.* [†] *Egere est offendere. & indigere scelestum esse. Sat. menip.*

[†] *Plautus aet. 4.* ^p *Nullum tam barbarum, tam vile munus est, quod non lubentissime obire velis gens vilissima.*

^{*} *Plautus.* ^q *Leo Afer cap. vlt. lib. 1. edunt non ut bene vivant, sed ut fortiter laborent.*

Heinsius. [†] *Munster de rusticis Germanie Cosmog. cap. 27. lib. 3.*

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dareretur no taskes, *Heus tu Dromio* cape hoc flabellum, ventulum
hinc facite dum lauamus. Sirrah blowe winde vpon vs whilst we wash: they
are foot stools for rich men to tread on, blockes for them to get on horse
backe; or as *¶* walls for them to pisse on. They are commonly such people,
rude, filly, superstitious, Idiots, vally, vncleane, lowly, poore, dejected, slauish-
ly humble: and as *Leo Afer* obserues of the commonalty of *Africke*, *natura*
viliores sunt, nec apud suos duces maiore in precio quam si capes essent: base
by nature, and no more esteemed then dogges, *miseram, laboriosam, calamit-*
osam vitam agunt, & inopem, infelicem, rudiores asinis, ut de brutis plane natos
dicas: no learning, no knowledge, no civility, scarce common sense, nought
but barbarisme amongst them, *belluino more vivunt, neq. catros gestant, neq.*
vestes, like rogues and vagabonds they goe barefooted and barelegged, lea-
ding a laborious, miserable, wretched, vnhappy life, like beasts and iuments,
if not worse: their discourse is scurrility, their *summum bonum*, a pot of Ale.
There is not any slavery which they will not vndergoe, *Inter illos pleriq. la-*
tripas evacuunt, alij culinarium curant, alij stabularios agunt, & id genus si-
milis exercent, &c. like those people that dwell in the *¶ Alps*, chimney sweepers,
Iakes-fermers, dirt-daubers, vagrant rogues, they labour hard, and yet can-
not get clothes to put on, or bread to eat. For what can pouerty giue else,
but beggery, fullsome nastinesse, squalor, contempt, drudgery, labour, vgli-
nesse, hunger and thirst: *pediculorum & pulicum numerum*: as *¶* hee well fol-
lowed in *Aristophanes*, fleas and lice, *pro pallio vestem laceram, & pro pului-*
nari lapidem bene magnum ad caput, ragges for his rayment, and a stone for
his pillowe, *pro cathedra rupta caput vrna*, he sits in a broken pitcher, or on
a blocke for a chaire, *& malua ramos pro panibus comedit*, he drinks water, &
liue's on wort leaues, pulse, like a hogge, or scraps like a dogge, *ut nunc nobis*
vita afficitur, quis non putabit insaniam esse, infelicitatemq., as *Cremulus* con-
cludes his speech, as we poore men liue now adaies, who will not take our
life to be *¶* infelicity, misery, and madnesse. If they be of little better condi-
tion then those hunger-starued beggers, wandering rogues, those ordinary
slaves, and day labouring drudges; yet they are commonly so preyed vpon
by poling officers for breaking Lawes, by their tyrannizing land-lords, so
sleaded and fleeced by perpetuall *¶* exactions, that though they doe drudge &
fare hard, and starue their *Genius*, they cannot liue in some *¶* countries; but
what they haue is instantly taken from them, the very care they take to liue
to be drudges, to maintaine their poore families, their trouble and anxiety
takes away their sleepe, *Sirac. 31. 1.* it makes them weary of their liues: when
they haue taken all paines, and doe their vtmost and honestindeanours, if
they be cast behind by sicknesse, or ouertaken with yeares, no man pitties
them, hard hearted and mercilesse, *¶* vncharitable as they are, they leaue them
so distressed, to begge, steale, murmur and *¶* rebell, or else starue. The feare
of this misery compelled those old *Romans*, whom *Menenius Agrippa* paci-
fied, to resist their gouernours: outlawes and rebels in most places, to take
vp seditious armes, and in all ages hath caused vproares, murmuring, sediti-
ons, rebellions, thefts, murders, mutinies, jarres & contentions in euery com-
mon-wealth, grudging, repining, complaining, discontent in euery priuate

* Ter. Eunuch.
† Pauper paries
factus, quem ca-
nicula commin-
gant.
* Lib. 1. cap. ult.
* Deos omnes
illis infensos di-
ceres: tam pan-
nos, fame fracti,
tor asilue malis
afficiuntur, tan-
quam pecora
quibus splendor
rationis eman-
at.
* Nihil optatio
maiorum vitam
degit, qui
fere in siluis, in-
mentia in terris.
Leo Afer.
* Ortelius in
Heluetia. Qui
habitant in Ce-
sia valle vt plu-
rium latom, in
Oficella velle
cultorum fabri,
fumary in Vi-
getia, sordidum
genus hominum,
quod repurgan-
dis caminis vi-
ctum parit.
† I write not
this any waies
to vpraiſe or
scotte at, or
milye poore
men, but ra-
ther to con-
dole and pity
them by ex-
pressing, &c.
* Cremulus
Act. 4. Plaut.
* Paupertas di-
rum onus mise-
ris mortalibus.
* Vexat censura
columbas.
* Deuice non
possunt & sic
cinque solvere
nolunt. Omni-
bus est notum
quater tre solue-
re totum.
* Scandia, Afri-
ca, Lithuania,
Turcia, &c.
* Montaigne in
his Essais
speakes of certaine Indians in France, that being asked how they liked the country, woundred how a fewe rich men
could keep so many poore men in subiect, that they did not cut their throats.

family,

family, because they want meanes, to liue according to their callings, to bring vp their children, it breakes their hearts, they cannot do as they would. No greater misery then for a Lord to haue a Knights liuing, a Gentleman a Yeomans, not to be able to liue as his birth and place requires. Pouerty and want are generally conuies to all kinde of men, especially to such as haue beene in good and flourishing estate, and are suddenly distressed, nobly borne, liberally brought vp, and by some distaster & casualty, miserably dejected. For the rest, as they haue base fortunes, so haue they base mindes correspondent, they are not so thoroughly touched with it,

angustas animas angusto in pectore versant.

Yea that which is no small cause of their torments, if once they come to be poore, they are forsaken of their friends, most part neglected, and left vnto themselves. *Tempora si fuerint nubila solus eris*, left cold and comfortlesse, *nullus ad amissas ibit amicus opes*, all fly from him as from a rotten wall, now ready to fall on their heads. *Prov. 19. 4. Poverty seperates them from their neighbours.*

† Dum fortuna fauet, vultum seruat is amici,

Cum cecidit, turpi vertitis ora fugā.

Whilst fortune fauor'd, friends, you smil'd on me,

But when she fled, a friend I could not see.

Which is worse yet, if he be poore & every man contemnes him, insults o-
ver him, oppresseth him, aggravates his misery.

† Quum cepit quassata domus subsidere, partes

In proclinas omne recumbit onus.

When once the tottering house begins to shrinke,

Thither comes all the waight by an instinct.

Nay they are odious to their owne brethren, and dearest friends, *Prov. 19. 7. his brethren hate him if he be poore. † omnes vicini oderunt, his neighbours hate him, Prov. 14. 20. † omnes me noti ac ignoti deserunt*, as hee complained in the Comcedy, friends and strangers all forsake me. Which is most grievous, poverty makes men ridiculous, *nil habet infelix paupertas durius in se, quam quod ridiculos homines facit*, they must endure † iests, taunts, flouts, blowes of their betters, and take all in good part to get a meales meat. ^m *magnum pauperies opprobrium, iubet quid vis & facere & pati*. He must turne Parasite, jester, foole, slaue, and drudge to get a poore liuing, and be buffeted when he hath all done, as *Vlysses* was by *Melanthius* ⁿ in *Homer*, be reviled, and must not so much as mutter against it. Hee must turne rogue, villaine; for as the saying is, *Neceſſitas cogit ad turpia*, pouerty alone makes men theeuues, rebels, murderers, traitors, assassins, because of poverty we haue sinned, *Eccles. 27. 1. I sweare, and forswear, beare false witness, lye, dissemble, any thing, as I say, to aduantage themselves, and to relieue their necessities. † Culpe ſcelerisq; magistra est*, when a man is driuen to his shifts, what will he not do? betray his father, Prince, and country, turne Turke, forsake Religion, abjure God & al: *nulla tam horrenda proditio, quam illi lucri causa*, (saith *P. Leo Afer*) *perpetrare nolint* * *Plato* therefore calls poverty, theeuish, sacrilegious, filthy, wicked, & mischieuous, & well he might. For it makes many an vpright man otherwise, had he not beene in want, to take bribes, to bee corrupt, to doe against his conscience, to sell his tongue, heart, hand, &c. to vse indirect means

^e *Angustas animas angusto in pectore versant.*

^f *Prov. 19. 7. though he be instant yet they will not.*
[†] *Petronius.*

[‡] *Non est qui doceat vicem, ut Petrus Christum iurant se hominem non nouisse*
[‡] *Ouid. in Trist.*

ⁱ *Hor.*
[‡] *Ter. Eunuchus act. 2. sc.*
[‡] *Quid quoddam materiam prebet, causamq; iocandi. Si toga sordida sit.*
Iuven. Sat. 3.
^m *Hor.*
ⁿ *Odyss. 17.*

^o *Mantuan.*
^p *De Africa lib. 1. cap. ult.*

^q *de legibus furacissima paupertas, sacrilega, turpis, flagitiosa, omnium malorum opifex.*

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to helpe his present estate. It makes Princes to exact vpon their subiects, great men tyrannize, Landlords oppresse, Iustices mercenary, Lawyers vulters, Physitians Harpyes, friends importunate, tradesmen lyers, honest men theeuers, devout assassins, great men to prostitute their wiues, daughters and themselves, middle sort to repine, commons to mutiny, all to grudge, murmur and complaine. A great temptation to all mischief, it compells some miserable wretches to counterfeite seuerall diseases, to dismember, make themselves blinde, lame, to haue a more plausible cause to beg, & loose their limbs to recouer their present wants; *Iodocus Damhoderius* a Lawyer of *Bruges*, *praxi rerum criminal. cap. 112.* hath some notable examples of such counterfeite Cranks, and every Village almost will yeeld abundant testimonies amongst vs, we haue Dummerers, *Abraham* men, &c. and that which is the extent of misery, it makes them through anguish & wearisomnesse of their liues, to make away themselves. They had rather bee hanged, drowned, &c. then to liue without meanes.

¶ *Theognis.*

¶ *Dionysophris.*
lib. 12. *Millies*
potius moriturum
(si quis sibi
mente constaret)
quam tam vilis
exerumque visus
communio-
nem.

¶ *Gasper Vilela*
Iesuita epist. 1a.
pon. lib.

¶ *Mat. Riccius*
expedit in *Sinas*
lib. 1. cap. 3.

¶ *Vos Romani*
procreatos filios
sevis & canibus
exponitis, nunc
strangulatis vel
in saxum eliditis,
&c.

¶ *Cosmog.* 4. lib.
cap. 22. vendunt
liberos viciu-
carentes tanquam
pecora, interdum
& seiplos vt a-
pud ciuites sa-
turentur cibis.

¶ *Vel bonorum*
desperatione, vel
malorum perfec-
tione fracti &
fatigati, plures
violentas manus
sibi inferunt.

¶ *Hor.*

¶ *Ingenio pote-
ram superari ve-
litare per arces,
Vt me pluma le-
uat, sic graue
mergit onus.* *Al-*
ciat.

¶ *Terent.*¶ *Flor. Sat.* 3. l. 1.

¶ *In mare cetiferum: ne te premat aspera egestas,
Desili & à celsis corruce Cerne iugis.*

Much better 'tis to breake thy necke,
or drowne thy selfe i' th' Sea,
Then suffer irksome pouerty.

Goe make thy selfe away.

A *Sybarite* of old, as I finde it registred in * *Athenaus*, supping in *Phiditys* in *Sparta*, and obseruing their hard fare, said it was no maruell if the *Lacedemonians* were valiant men; for his part he would rather runne vpon a sword point (and so would any man in his wits) then liue with such base diet, or lead so wretched a life. ¶ In *Iaponia* 'tis a common thing to stifle their children if they be poore, or to make an abort, which *Aristotle* commends. In that ciuill commonwealth of *China*, the mother strangles her childe, if she be not able to bring it vp, and had rather loose it, then sell it, or haue it endure such misery as poore men doe; *Arnobius* lib. 7. *adversus gentes*, * *Lactantius* lib. 5. c. 9. obiect as much to those ancient *Greekes* and *Romanes*, they did expose their children to wild beasts, strangle, or knocke out their braines against a stone, in such cases. If we may giue credit to † *Munster*, amongst vs *Christians* in *Lituania*, they voluntarily mancipate, and sell themselves, their wiues and children for slaues to rich men, to avoid hunger and beggery; ‡ many make away themselves in this extremity. *Apitius* the *Roman*, when hee cast vp his accounts, and found but 100000 Crownes left, murdered himselfe for feare he should be famished to death. *P. Forestus* in his medicinall obseruations, hath two memorable examples, of two brothers of *Lovain*, that being destitute of meanes, became both melancholy, & in a discontented humour massacred themselves. Another of a merchant, learned, wise otherwise and discreet, that out of a deep apprehension he had of a losse at Seas, would not be perswaded but as ¶ *Ventidius* in the Poet, he should dye a begger. In a word this much I may cōclude of poore men, that though they haue good x parts, they cannot shew, or make vse of them: *haud facile emergunt, quorum virtutibus obstat res angusta domi*: the wisdom of the poore is despised, and his words are not heard. *Eccles. 9. 16. 1* amittunt consilium in re, as *Gnatho* said. ‡ *Sapiens crepidas sibi nunquam nec soleas fecit*, a wise man never cobled shooes,

as he said of old, but how doth he proue it? I am sure wee finde it otherwise in our dayes, ^a *pruinosis horret facundia pannis*. Homer himselfe must begge if he wants meanes, and as by report he sometimes did, goe from doore to doore and sing Ballads, with a company of boyes about him. This common misery of theirs must needs distract, make them discontent and melancholy, as commonly they are, wayward, still murmuring and repining. *Ob inopiam morosi sunt, quibus est male*, as *Plutarch* quotes out of *Euripides*, and that comickall Poet well seconds.

^c *Omnes quibus res sint minus secunda nescio quomodo
Suspitosi, ad contumeliam omnia accipiunt magis,
Propter suam impotentiam se credunt negligi.*

If they bee in aduersity, they are more suspicious and apt to mistake; they thinke themselves scorned by reason of their misery: And therefore many generous spirits in such cases, withdraw themselves from all company. Neither is it without cause, for wee see men commonly respected according to their meanes, ^{*} *an diues sit omnes querunt, nemo an bonus* and vilified if they be in bad cloathes. ^d *Pholopæmen* the orator was set to cut wood, because he was so homely attired. ^e *Terentius* was placed at lower end of *Cecilius* table, because of his homely outside. ^f *Dantes* that famous Italian Poet, because his clothes were but meane, could not bee admitted to sit downe at a feast. *Gnatho* scorned his old familiar friend, because of his apparell. ^g *Hominem video pannis annisq; oblitum, hic ego illum contempsi prae me*; King *Persius* overcome, sent a letter to ^{*} *Paulus Aemilius* the Roman Generall, *Persius P. consuli. S.* but he scorned him any answer, *tacite exprobrans fortunam suam* (saith mine author) vpbraiding him with his present fortune. [†] *Carolus Pugnax*, that great Duke of Burgundy, made *H. Holland*, late Duke of Exeter exil'd, runne after his horse like a lackey, and would take no notice of him: ^h 'tis the common fashion of the world. That such men as are poore, may iustly be discontent, melancholy, and complaine of their present misery, & all may pray with ⁱ *Solomon*, *Give me O Lord neither riches nor poverty, feed mee with food convenient for me.*

SVSSC. 7.

*An heape of other Accidents causing melancholy.
Death of friends, losses, &c.*

IN this Labyrinth of Accidentall causes, the farther I wander, the more intricate I finde the passage, *multæ ambages*, & new causes, as so many by-paths, offer themselves to be discussed: To search out all, were an *Herculean* worke, and fitter for *Theseus*: I will follow mine intended thred; & point at only some few of the chiefeft. Amongst which, losse and death of friends may challenge a first place, *multi tristantur*, as [†] *Vives* well obserues, *post delicias, convivium, dies festos*, many are melancholy after some feast, holiday, merry meeting, or some pleasing sport, some at the departure of friends only, whom they shall shortly see againe, weep and howle, and looke after the as a cow lowes after her calfe, or a childe takes on that goes to schoole after holidiaies. *Montanus consil. 232.* makes mention of a country woman, that

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^a *Petronius.*
^b *Herodotus* vi-
ta eius *Scaliger*
in *Poet. potenti-*
orum aedes offi-
um adiens, ali-
quid accipiebat,
cantens carmina
sua, concomitan-
te eum puerorū
choro.

^c *Ter. Act. 4.*
Scen. 3. Adelp.
Hegio.

^{*} *Euripides.*
^d *Plutarch* vita
eius.
^e *Vita Ter.*
^f *Gomeus lib.*
3. cap. 21. de sale

^g *Ter. Eunuch.*
Act. 2. Scen. 2.

^{*} *Liv. dec. 9. l. 2*

[†] *Comineus.*

^h He that hath
ⁱ *per annum*
comming in
more then o-
thers, scornes
him that hath
lesse, and is a
better man.
ⁱ *Pro. 30. 8. sc. 8*

Death of
friends.

[†] *3. de Anima*
cap. de morte.

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parting with her friends and native place, became grievously melancholy for many yeares; and *Trallianus* of another, so caused for the absence of her husband. If parting of friends alone can worke such violent effects, what shall death doe, when they must eternally be separated, neuer in this world to meet again? This is so grievous a torment for the time, that it takes away all appetite, desire of life, extinguisheth all delights, it causeth deepe sighes and groanes, teares, exclamations, howling, roaring, many bitter pangs, (* *lamenti, gemitu, & fœminia ululatu Tecta fremunt*) and by frequent meditation extends so farre sometimes, * that they thinke they see their dead friends continually in their eyes, obseruantes imagines, as *Conciliator* confessed he saw his mothers ghost presenting her selfe still before him. *Quod nimis miseri volunt, hoc facile credunt*, still, still, stil, that good father, that good sonne, that good wife, that deare friend, runnes in their mindes. *totus animus hic una cogitatione defixus est*, all the yeare long, as * *Pliny* complains to *Romanus*, me thinke I see *Virginus*. I heare *Virginus*, I talke with *Virginus*, &c. They that are most staied and patient, are so furiously carried headlong by this passion of sorrow in this case, that braue discreet men many times forget themselves, and weepe like children, many moneths together, as *Rachel* did, and will not be comforted. They are gone, they are gone,

Abtulit atra dies & funere meruit acerbo, What shall I doe?

Quis dabit in lachrymas fontem mihi, quis satis altis

Accendet gemitus, & acerbo verba dolori?

Exhaurit pietas oculos, & hiantia frangit

Pectora, nec plenos avido sinit edere questus,

Magna adeo iactura premit, &c.

Fountaines of teares who giues, who lends me groanes,

Deepe sighes sufficient to expresse my moanes?

Mine eyes are dry, my brest in peeces torne,

My losse so great, I cannot enough mourne.

So *Stroza Filius* that elegant *Italian* Poet in his *Epicedium*, bewailes his fathers death, he could moderate his passions in other matters (as hee confesseth) but not in this, he yeelds wholly to sorrow,

Nunc fateor do terga malis, mens illa fatiscit,

Indomitus quondam vigor & constantia mentis.

How doth ¹ *Quintilian* complaine for the losse of his sonne, to despaire almost: and *Cardan* lament his only childe, in his booke *de libris proprijs*, and elsewhere in many other of his tracts. *Alexander*, a man of a most invincible courage, after *Ephestions* death, as *Curtius* relates, *triduum iacuit ad moriendam obstinatus*, lay three dayes together vpon the ground, obstinate to dy with him, and would neither eat, drinke, nor sleepe: so did *Adrian* the Emperour bewaile his *Antinous*, *Hercules*, *Hylas*, *Orpheus*, *Euridice*, *David*, *Abolon*; (O my deere sonne *Abolon*) *Austin* his mother *Monica*; *Niobe* her children, insomuch, that the ^m Poets fained her to bee turned into a stone, as being stupified through the extremity of griefe. ⁿ *Ageus*, *signo lugubri filij consternatus*, in mare se precipitem dedit, impatient of sorrow for his sonnes death, drowned himselfe. Our late Physitians are ful of such examples. *Mon-*

* *Obid. Met.*

* *Plut. vitæ eius*

* *Nobilis maxima melancholica ob mortem quærit.*

ranus consil. 2 42. had a patient troubled with this infirmity, by reason of her husbands death many yeares together: *Trincavellus lib. 1. cap. 14.* hath

such

such another, almost in despaire after his mothers departure, *ut se ferre præcipitem daret*; and ready through distraction to make away himselfe: and in his 15 counsell, tells a story of one, that was 50 yeares of age, that grew desperate upon his mothers death; and cured by *Palapius*, fell many yeares after into a relapse, by the sudden death of a daughter which he had, and could never after be recovered. The fury of this passion is so violent sometimes, that it daunts whole kingdomes and cities. *Vespasian's* death was pittifully lamented all ouer the Roman Empire, *totus orbis lugebat*, saith *Aurelius Victor*. *Alexander* commanded the battlements of houses to bee pulled downe, Mules and Horses to haue their manes shorne off, and many common soldiers to be slaine, to accompany his deare *Ephesions* death. Which is now practised amongst the *Tartars*, that when a great *Cham* dieth, 10 or 12 thousand must be slaine, men and horses all they meet, and amongst those Pagan *Indians*, their wines and seruants voluntarily dye with them. *Leo Decimus* was so much bewailed in *Rome*, after his departure, that as *Iovius* giues out, *communis salus, publica hilaritas*, the comon safety, all good fellowship, peace, mirth, & plenty died with him, *tanquam eodem sepulchro cum Leone condita lugebantur*; for it was a golden age whilst he liued, but after his decease an iron season succeeded, wars, plagues, vastity, discontent. When *Augustus Caesar* died, saith *Paterculus*, *orbis ruinam timeueramus*, we were all afraid, as if heauen had fallen vpon our heads. *Budæus* records, how that at *Lewes* the 12. death, *transubita mutatio, ut qui prius digito cælum attingere videbantur, nunc humi repente serpere, sideratos esse diceret*: they that were erst in heauen, vpon a sudden, as if they had beene planet stricken, lay groueling on the ground. *† Concussis cecidere animis, seu frondibus ingens Sylua dolet lapsis* — they looked like cropt trees.

* At *Nancy* in *Lorraine*, when *Claudia* *Valesia*, *Henry* the second *French* kings sister, and the *Dukes* wife deceased, the *Temples* for forty daies were all shut vp, no *Prayers* nor *Masses*, but in that roome where she was. The *Senatours* all seene in blacke, and for a twelue months space throughout the *Citty*, they were forbid to sing or dance. How were we affected here in *England* for our *Titus* *delitia humani generis*, *Prince Henries* immature death, as if all our dearest friends liues had exhaled with his? In a word, as he saith of *Edward the first* at the newes of *Edward of Caernarvan* his sonnes birth, *immortaliter gavisus*, he was immortally glad; may wee say on the contrary of friends deaths, *immortaliter gementes*, we are many of vs as so many turtles, eternally deiected with it.

There is another sorrow, which ariseth from the losse of temporall goods and fortunes, which equally afflicteth, and may goe hand in hand with the precedent losse of time, losse of honour, office, of good name, of labour, frustrate hopes; may much torment; but in my Iudgment, there is no torture like vnto this, or that sooner procureth this malady and mischiefe:

* *Ploratur lachrymis amissa pecunia veris*.

it wrings true teares from our eyes, many sighes and sorrowes from our hearts, and often causeth habituall melancholy it selfe. *Guianerius tract. 15. 5.* repeates this for an especiall cause: *† Losse of friends, and losse of goods, make many men melancholy, as I haue often seene by continuall meditation of such things*. The same causes *Arnoldus Villanovanus* inculcates, *Breviar. lib. 1.*

† Ex matris obitu in desperationem incidit.

† Mathias à Michou. Boter. Amphibear.

† Lo. Vertomanus. M. Polus Venetus lib. 1.

† c. 54. perimunt eos quos in via obuius habent;

dicentes, ite et domino nostro regi seruire in alia via. Nec tamen in homines insaniunt sed in e-

quos etc.

† Vita eius.

† Lib. 4. vii. eius autem etiam tem condiderat ad humani generis salutem, quæ nos statim ab optimi principis excessu, verè ferream patere-

mur, famem, pestem, &c.

† Lib. 5. de affe-

† Mapb.

† Ortelius Itinerario: ob animum integrum à cantu tripudis & saltationibus tota ciuitas abstinere iubetur.

† Mat. Paris.

† Loss of goods.

† Iuvenalis.

† Multi qui res amatas perdiderant, ut filios, o-

pes, non sperantes recuperare, propter assiduam rationem, melancholici fiunt, ut ipse videt.

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² Statibursus
Hib. Hist.

† Cap. 3. Melan-
cholia semper
venit ob iactu-
ram pecunie, vi-
ctorie, repulsi-
a, mortis liberorū,
quibus longo post
tempore animus
torquetur, & a
dispositione fit
habitus.

^a Confil. 26.

^b Nubigenis.

† Templi orna-
mentis nudata,
spoliata, in sta-
bula equorum
& aliorum
versa &c.

In fule humi co-
calcate, perdi-
te, &c.

* In oculis ma-
vitorum dile-
ctissime coniuges
ab Hispanorum
lixis constupate
sunt. Filie mag-
natum thoro de-
stinatae, &c.

† Ita factu ante
unum mensem
turgida civitas,
& cacuminibus
celum pulsare
visa, ad inferos
usq; paucis die-
bus deiecta est.

^c Sect. 2. Mem.
4. Subl. 3.
Feare from
ominous acci-
dents, desti-
nies fore-told

^d Accersunt
sibi malum.

cap. 18. ex rerum amissione, damno, amicorum morte &c. Many men are affected like ² Irishmen in this behalfe, who if they haue a good skimiter, had rather haue a blow on their arme, then their weapon hurt: they had rather loose their life, then their goods: and the griefe that commeth hence, continueth long (saith [†] Plater) and out of many dispositions, procureth an habit. ^a Montanus and Frisemelica cured a yong man of 22 yeeres of age, that so became melancholy, ob amissam pecuniam, for a summe of mony which he had vnhappyly lost. Skenkius hath such another story of one, melancholy because he ouer-shot himselfe, and spent his stocke in vnneccessary building. ^b Roger that rich Bishop of Salisbury, exutus opibus & castris à Rege Stephano, spoiled of his goods and Manors by King Stephen, vñ doloris absorptus, atq; in amentiam versus, indecentia fecit, through griefe ran mad, and spake and did he knew not whar. Bee it by suretyship, ship-wracke, fire, spoile and pillage of souldiers, or what losse soeuer, it boots not, it will work the like effect, the same desolation in Provinces and Citie, aswell as priuate persons. Anno 1528. when Rome was sacked by Burbonius, the common souldiers made such spoile, that faire [†] Churches were turned to stables, olde monuments and bookes, made horse-litter, or burned like straw; reliques, costly pictures defaced; altars demolished, rich hangings, carpets &c. trampled in the durt. * Their wiues and loueliest Daughters constupated by euery base cullion before their fathers and husbands faces, Noblemens children, & of the wealthiest Citizens, reserved for Princes beds, were prostituted to euery common souldier, and kept for Concubines; Senators and Cardinals themselves, dragged along the streetes, and put to exquisite torments, to confesse where their mony was hid; the rest murdered on heapes, lay stinking in the streetes; Infants braines dashed out before the mothers eyes. A lamentable sight it was to see so goodly a City, so suddenly defaced, rich citizens sent a-begging to Venice, Naples, Ancona &c: that earst liued in all manner of delights. † Those proud palaces, that euen now vaunted their topps to Heauen, were deiectioned as low as hell in an instant. Whom will not such misery make discontent? Terence the Poët drowned himselfe for the losse of some of his Comedies, which suffered shipwracke. When a poore man hath made many hungry meales, got together a small summe, which he loseth in an instant; a Scholler spent many an houres study to no purpose, his labours lost &c: how should it otherwise be? I may conclude with Gregory, temporalium amor quantum afficit, cum haeret possessio, tantum quam subtrahitur, urit dolor; riches doe not so much exhilarate vs with their possession, as they torment vs with their losse.

Next to Sorrow still I may annexe such accidents as procure Feare; for besides those Terrors which I haue ^c before touched, and many other feares, (which are infinite) there is a superstitious Feare, commonly caused by prodigies, and dismall accidents, which much troubles many of vs. As if a Hare crosse the way at our going forth, or a Mousé gnaw our clothes: If they bleed three drops at nose, the Salt fall towards them, a blacke spot appeare in their nailes, &c: with many such, which Delrio Tom. 2. lib. 3. sect. 4. Austin Niphus in his booke de Augurijs. Polidore Virg. lib. 3. de Prodigijs. Sarisburiensis Policrat. lib. 1. cap. 13. discusse at large, they are so much affected, that with very strength of Imagination, Feare, and the diuels craft, they pull those ^d mis-
fortunes

fortunes they suspect, upon their owne heads, and that which they feare, shall come upon them, as Salomon fore-telleth, *Pro. 10. 24.* and *Isay* denounceth, *66. 4.* which if they could neglect and contemne, would not come to passe. *Eorum vires nostrâ resident opinione, ut morbi gravitas egrotantium cogitatione;* they are intended & remitted, as our opinion is fixed, more or lesse. *N. N. das panas,* faith *Crato* of such a one, *utinam non attraheret:* he is punished, and is the cause of it & himselfe: *† Dum fata fugimus, fata stulti incurrimus.*

As much we may say of them that are troubled with their fortunes, or ill destinies fore-seene, *multos angit præscientia malorum.* The fore-knowledge of what shall come to passe, crucifies many men, fore-told by Astrologers, or Wisards, *iratum ob cælum,* be it ill accident, or death it selfe. *Severus, Adrian, Domitian,* can testifie as much, of whose feare and suspicion, *Sueton, Herodian,* and the rest of those Writers, tell strange stories in this behalfe. *h Montanus consil. 21.* hath one example of a yong man, exceeding melancholy vpon this occasion. Such feares haue still tormented mortall men in all ages, by reason of those lying oracles, and those juggling Priests, *†* There was a fountaine in Greece, neere *Ceres* Temple in *Achaia*, where the euent of each disease was to be knowne; *Aglasse* was let downe by a threed, &c. Amongst those *Cyanean* rockes at the springs of *Lycia*, was the Oracle of *Thirxeus Apollo*, where all fortunes were fore-told, sicknesse, health, or what they would besides: so commo people haue beene alwayes deluded with future events. At this day, *Metus futurorum maxime torquet Sinas*, this foolish feare, mightily crucifies them in *China*: as *† Matthew Riccius* the Iesuite informeth vs, in his Commentaries of those Countries, of all Nations they are most superstitious, and much tormented in this kind, attributing so much to their Divinators, *ut ipse metus fidem faciat*, that feare it selfe and conceipt, cause it to fall out: If he fore-tell sicknesse such a day, that very time they will be sicke, *vi metus afflicti, in ægritudinem cadunt;* and many times dye as it is foretold. A true saying, *Timor mortis, morte peior*, the feare of death, is worse then death it selfe; and the memory of that sad houre, to some fortunate and rich men, is as bitter as gaulle, *Ecclesi 41. 1.* a worse plague cannot happen to a man, then to be so troubled in his minde. O *Clotho, Megapetus* the tyrant in *Lucian* exclaimes, let me liue a while longer. *† I will giue thee a thousand talents of gold, and two boles besides, which I tooke from Cleocritus, worth a 100 talents a peece. Woe's mee,* * faith another, what goodly Manors shall I leaue! what fertile fields! what a fine house! what pretty children! how many seruants! who shall gather my grapes, my corne? must I now dye so well settled? leaue all, so well provided? *Woe's me, what shall I doe? † Animula vagula blandula, quæ nunc abibis in loca?*

To these tortures of Feare and Sorrow, may well bee annexed Curiosity, that irksome care, *nimîa sollicitudo*, * superfluous industry about unprofitable things, and their qualities, as *Thomas* defines it; an itching humor, or a kinde of longing to see that which is not to be seene, to doe that which ought not to be done; to know that secret, which should not be knowne, to eat of the forbidden fruit: Vee commonly molest and tire our selues about things vnfit and vnnecessary, as *Martha* troubled her selfe to little purpose. Be it in Religion, humanity, Philosophy, policy, any action or study, 'tis a needlesse trouble, a meere torment. For what els is schoole Divinity, how many doth it puffle? what fruitlesse questions about the Trinity, Resurrection, Electiō,

Prede-

*Si non obfer-
uimus, nihil va-
lent. Polidor.
† Confil. 26. l. 2.
‡ Harne watch
harne catch.
† Georg. Bx-
chananus.*

*h Iuuenis solli-
citus de futuris
frustra, factus
melancholicus.
† Pausanias in
Achaicis lib. 7.
Vbi omnium
morborum et
tus dignoscua-
tur. Speculum
tenui suspensum
funiculo demit-
tunt: & ad Cy-
aneas petras, ad
Lycia fontes &c
† Expedit in Si-
nas lib. 1. cap. 3.*

*† Timendo præ-
occupat, quod
vitat ultro, pro-
vocatq; quod fu-
git, gaudetq;
merens & lu-
bens miser fuit.
Heinsius Au-
striaci.*

*† Tom. 4. dial.
Cataplo. Auri
puri mille talen-
ta, me hodie tibi
datum promitto &c.*

** Ibidem. Hei
mibi quæ relin-
quenda prædis,
quæ fertiles
agri &c.*

*† Adrian.
* Industria su-
perflua circa res
inutiles.*

*† Flava secre-
ta Minerva, ut
viderat Agla-
ros, Ouid. Met. 2.*

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Predestination, hell fire &c. how many shall bee saved, damned? what els is all superstition, but an endlesse obseruation of idle Ceremonies, Traditions? what is most of our Philosophy, but a Labyrinth of opinions, propositions, Metaphysicall termes; Astrologie, but vaine elections, predictions; Physicke, but intricate rules and prescriptions; Philology, but Criticismes; Logicke, Sophismes? To what end are so many great Tomes, why doe wee spend so many yeares in their studies? Much better to know nothing at all, as those barbarous *Indians* are wholly ignorant, then as some of vs, to bee so fore vexed about vnprofitable toyes: *stultus labor est ineptiarum*, to build an house without pinnes, make a rope of sand, to what end? *cui bono?* Hee studies on, but as the boy told *St Austin*, when I haue laved the Sea dry, thou shalt vnderstand the mystery of the Trinity; He makes obseruations, keepes times and seasons; and as *Conradus* the Emperour would not touch his new Bride, till an Astrologer had told him a masculine houre, but with what successe? He trauels into *Europe*, *Africke*, *Asia*, searcheth euery creeke, Sea, Citty, Mountaine, Gulfe, to what end? See one promontory (said *Soerates* of old) one Mountaine, one Sea, one Riuer, and see all. An *Alchymist* spends his fortunes to make gold; *Aristotle* must finde out the motion of *Euripus*; *Pliny* must needes see *Visuvius*, but how sped they? One loseth goods, another his life. *Pyrrhus* will conquer *Africke* first, and then *Asia*; he will be a sole Monarch, a second immortall, a third rich, a fourth commandes. *Turbine magno spes sollicita in urbibus errant*; we runne, ride, take vndefatigable paines all, vp early, downe late, struiuing to get that, which we had much better be without, (*ardeliones*, busy bodies as wee are) it were much fitter for vs to be quiet, sit still, and take our ease. His sole study is for words, that they bee ——— *Lepida lex eis composita ut resserula omnes*, not a syllable misplaced, to set out a stramineous subiect: as thine is about apparell, to follow the fashion, to be terse and polite, tis thy sole businesse: both with like profite. His onely delight is building, he spends himselfe to get curious intricate models and plots, another is wholly ceremonious about titles, degrees, inscriptions. A third is ouer sollicitous about his diet, he redeemes his appetite with extraordinary charge to his purse, is seldome pleased with any meale, whilest a triviall stomacke vseth all with delight, and is neuer offended. Busy, nice, curious wits, make that vnsupportable in al vocations, trades, actions, employments, which to duller apprehensions is not offensive, earnestly seeking that which others as scornefully neglect. Thus through our foolish curiosiry doe we macerate our selues, tire our soules, and run headlong, through our indiscretion, peruerse will, and want of gouernment, into many needlesse cares and troubles, vaine expences, tedious journies, painfull houres, and when all his done, *quorsum haec? cui bono?* to what end?

Vnfortunate marriage.

† A vertuous woman is the crowne of her husband. *Pro. 12. 4.* but shee &c.
m Lib. 17. epist. 105.

Amongst these passions and irksome Accidents, vnfortunate marriages may be ranked, a condition of life appointed by God himselfe in Paradise, an honourable and happy estate, & as great a felicity as can befall a man in this world, if the parties can agree as they ought, & liue as *Seneca* liu'd with his *Paulina*: but if they be vnequally matched, or at discorde, a greater misery cannot be expected, to haue a scold, a slut, an harlot, a foole, a fury, or a fiend, there can be no such plague. *Eccles 26. 14.* He that hath her, is as if hee held a scorpion, & 26. 25. a wicked wife makes a sorry countenance, an heavy heart, & hee

he had rather dwell with a Lion, then keepe house with such a wife. Herⁿ properties Iovianus Pontanus hath described at large, *Ant. dial. Tom. 2.* vnder the name of *Euphorbia*. Or if they be not equall in yeares. *Cicilius in Agellius lib. 2. cap. 23.* complaines much of an old wife, *dum eius mortu in hio, egomet mortuus vivo inter vivos*, whilst I gape after her death, I live a dead man amongst the living, or if they dislike vpon any occasion,

† Iudge they who are unfortunately wed,
What tis to come into a loathed bed.

† Daniel in Resamund.

The same inconvenience befalls women. ° A yong Gentlewoman in *Basil* was married, saith *Felix Plater observat. lib. 1.* to an ancient man against her will, whom she could not affect; she was continually melancholy, and pined away for griefe; and though her husband did all hee could possibly to giue her content, in a discontented humor at length she hanged her selfe. Many other stories he relates in this kind. † Thus men are plagued with women; they againe with men, when they are of diuerse humors and conditions, he a spendthrift, and shee sparing; one honest, the other dishonest &c. Parents many times disquiet their children, and they their parents. † A foolish sonne is an heauinesse to his mother. *In iusta noverca*. A step-mother often vexeth a whole family, is matter of repentance, exercise of patience, fuell of dissentio; which made *Cato's* sonne expostulate with his father, why he should offer to marry his client *Solinus* daughter, a yong wench, *Cuius causa novercam induceret*; what offence had he done, that he should marry againe? Vnkind, vn-naturall friends, euill neighbours, bad seruants, debts and debets; suretyship, the bane of many families, *Sponde praesto noxa est*, he shall be sore vexed that is surety for a stranger, *Pro. 11. 15.* and he that hateth suretyship, is sure. Contention, brawling, Law-sutes, falling out of neighbours and friends, — *discordia demens*. (*Virg. Aen. 6.*) are equall to the first, grieue many a man, and vex his soule. *Nihil sane miserabilius eorum mentibus* (as *Boter* holdes) nothing so miserable as such men, full of cares, griefes, anxieties, as if they were stabbed with a sharpe sword; feare, suspicion, desperation, sorrow, care, griefe, are their ordinary companions. Our Welchmen are noted by some of their owne Writers, to consume one another in this kind; but who soeuer they are that vse it, these are their common symptomes, especially if they be convict or ouercome, cast in a suit. *Arius* put out of a Bishoprick by *Eustachius*, turned Hereticke, & liued after discontented all his life. ° Euery Repulse is of like nature: *heu quantā de spe decidi!* Disgrace, infamy, will almost effect as much, & that a long time after. *Hipponax* a Satyricall Poet, so vilified & lashed two Painters in his Iambicks, *ut ambo laqueo se suffocarent*, & *Pliny* saith, both hanged themselves. All oppositions, dangers, perplexities, discontents, & to liue in any suspence, are of the same ranke: *potes hoc sub casu ducere somnos?* Who can be secure in such cases? Vnkinde speeches trouble many. A Glasfe-mans wife in *Basil* became melancholy, because her husband said hee would marry againe if she died. *No cut to unkindnes*, as the saying is, a frowne, an hard speech, or bad looke, especially to Courtiers, or such as attend vpon great Persons, is present death. *Ingenium vultu statq; caditq; suo*, they ebbe & flow with their masters favours. Some persons are at their wits ends, if by chance they ouer-shoot themselves in their ordinary speeches, or actions, which may after turne to their disgrace; or haue any secret dis-

Titonatur, candelabrat, &c.

° Elegans virgo in uita cuidam e nostratibus nupsi &c.

† Duxi uxorem, quam ibi miseriam non vidi, nati filij alia cura. Ter. Act. 3. Scē n. 4. Democritus Adelp. 9 Prov.

† De facrem. urb. lib. 3. cap. 3. tanquam diu mucrone confessi, his nulla requies, nulla delectatio, sollicitudo, gemitus, furor, desperation, timor, tanquam ad perpetuam erumnam infelicitate rapi.

† Humfredus Luid epist. ad Abrahamum Ortelium. Lilius & controuersus usq; ad omni bonorum consumptionem emicundant.

† Spreteg. iniuria forme.

° Quēq; repulsa grauis.

† Lib. 36. cap. 3.

° Nihil equē a marum, quam diu pendere: quidam equiore animo ferunt precidit spem suam, quam trahi Seneca cap. 3. lib. 2. de Den.

Virg. Plater. observat. lib. 1.

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closed. *Ronsseus epist. miscel. 3.* reports of a Gentlewoman 25 yeares old, that falling foule with one of her Gossips, was vpbraided with a secret infirmity, (no matter whar) in publike, and so much grieved with it, that she did there-vpon *solitudines querere, omnes ab se ablegare, ac tandem in gravissimam incidens melancholiam, contabescere*, forsake all company, and in a melancholy humour pine away. Others are as much tortured to see themselves reiected, contemned, scorned, disabled, or ^a left behind their fellowes. *Lucian* brings in *Etamacles* a Philosopher in his *Lapith. convivio*, much discontented that he was not invited amongst the rest, expostulating the matter, in a long Epistle with *Aristinetus* their Hoste. *Prætextatus* a robed Gentleman in *Plutarch*, would not sit downe at a Feast, because he might not sit highest, but went his wayes all in a chafe. We see the common quarrellings that are ordinary amongst vs, for taking of the wall, precedency, & the like, which though they be toyes in themselves, & things of no moment, yet they cause many distempers, much hart-burning amongst vs. Nothing pierceth deeper then a contempt or disgrace, ^b especially if they bee generous spirits, scarce any thing affects them more, then to be despised or vilified. *Crato consil. 16. lib. 2.* exemplifies it, and common experience confirmes it. Of the same nature is oppression, *Eccles 7. 7.* surely oppression makes a man mad. Banishment a great misery, as *Tyrteus* describes it in an Epigram of his,

*Nam miserum est patriâ amissâ, laribusq; vagari,
Mendicum, & timidâ voce rogare cibos:
Omnibus invisus, quocunq; accesserit, exul
Semper erit, semper spectus egenusq; iacet. &c.
A miserable thing 'tis so to wander,
And like a begger for to whine at doore,
Contemn'd of all the world, an exile is,
Hated, reiected, needy still, and poore.*

^c In *Pheniss.*

Polynices in his conference with *Jocasta* in *Euripides*, reckons vp five miseries of a banished man, the least of which alone, were enough to deiect some pusillanimous creatures. Oftentimes a too great feeling of our owne infirmities or imperfections of body or minde, will rivell vs vp; as if we bee long sicke:

*O beata sanitas, te presente, amicum
Ver floret gratijs, absq; te nemo beatus:*

O blessed health! without thee there can be no happinesse: Or visited with some lothsome disease, offensive to others, or troublesome to our selves, as a stinking breath, deformity of our limmes, crookednes, losse of an eye, leg, hand, palenesse, leannesse, rednesse, baldnesse, losse of haire, or want, &c. ^{hic} *ubi fluere capit, diros ictus cordi infert*, saith ^d *Synesius*, he himselfe troubled not a little *ob comæ defectum*, the losse of haire alone, strikes a cruell stroke to the heart. *Acco* an old woman, seeing by chance her face in a true glasse, (for she vsed false flattering glasses belike at other times, as most Gentlewomen doe) *animi dolore in insaniam delapsa est.* (*Calius Rhodiginus lib. 17. cap. 2*) ran mad. ^e *Brotheus* the son of *Vulcan*, because he was ridiculous for his imperfections, flung himselfe into the fire. Some are faire, but barren, and that gaules them. *Hanna* wept, and did not eate, and was troubled in spirit, and all for her barrennesse. *1. Sam. 1.* and *Gen. 30.* *Rachel* said, in the anguish of her soule, give me a childe, or I shall die: another hath too many, one was neuer married, and that's

^a Turpe relin-
qui est. Hor.

^b Scimus enim
generosas natu-
ras, nullâ re ci-
tius moveri, aut
gravius affici,
quàm contemptu
ac desipientiâ.

^a In laudem
salutis.

^e Ovid.

that's his hell: another is, and that's his plague. Some are troubled in that they are obscure; other by being traduced, slandered, abused, injured: *minime miror eos* (as † he said) *qui insanire occipiunt ex iniuriâ*. I marvel not at all if offences make men mad. No tydings troubles one; ill reports, rumours, bad tydings or newes, hard hap, ill successe, vaine hopes, or hope differred another: one is too eminent, another is too base borne, and that alone tor- ures him as much as the rest: one is out of action, imployment, another o- uercome and tormented with worldly cares, and onerous businesse. But what † tongue can suffice to speake of all?

Many men catch this malady by eating certaine meates at vnawares, as henbane, nightshade, cicuta, mandrakes &c: by philters, wandring in the Sun, biting of a mad dog, a blow on the head, stinging with that kind of spi- der called *Tarantula*; an ordinary thing, if we may believe *Skenck lib. 7. de venenis*, In *Calabria & Apulia* in Italy, *Cardan subtil. lib. 9. Scaliger exercit. 185*. Their symptoms are merrily described by *Iovianus Pontanus. Ant. dial.* how they daunce altogether, and are cured by Musick. & *Cardan* speakes of certaine stones, if they be carried about one, which will cause melancholy and madnesse, he calls them vnhappy, as an *Adamant*, *Selenites* &c. which dry up the body, increase cares, diminish sleepe: *Ctesias* in *Persia*, makes menti- on of a Well in those parts, of which if any man drinke, † hee is made for 24. houres: but these relations are common in all Writers.

‡ *Hic alias poteram, & plures subnectere causas,
Sed iumenta vocant, & Sol inclinat eundum est.*

Many such causes, much more could I say,

But that for provender my cattle stay:

The Sun declines, and I must needs away.

These causes, if they be considered, & come alone, I doe easily yeeld, can doe little of themselves, or seldome, or apart, though many times they are all suf- ficient euery one: yet if they concur, as often they doe, *vis unita fortior*;

Et que non obsunt singula, multa nocent;

they may batter a

strong constitution; as † *Austin* said, many graines and small sands sinke a ship, many small droppes make a flood &c. often reiterated; many dispositions pro- duce an habit.

MEMB. 5.

S V E S E C. I.

Continent inward, antecedent, next causes, and how
the body workes on the minde.

As a Purly hunter, I haue hitherto beaten about the circuit of the For- rest of this Microcosme, and haue followed only those outward ad- ventitious causes; I will now breake into the inner roomes, and rip vp the antecedent immediate causes which are there to be found. For as the di- straction of the minde, amongst other outward causes and perturbations, al- ters the temperature of the body, so the distraction and distemperature of the Body will cause a distemperature of the Soule; and 'tis hard to decide which of these two doe more harme to the other, *Plato*, *Cyprian*, and some

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^m Mores sequi-
tur temperatu-
ram corporis.

^a Scintille la-
tens in corpore.

^o Gal. 5.

^p Sicut ex ani-
mi affectionibus
corpus laqueat:

sic ex corporis
vitiis, & morbo-
rum plerisque, crui-
ciatibus, animam
videmus hebe-
tari, Galenus.

^q Lib. 1. cap. 16

^r Corporis inde
morbi animam
per consensum, a
lege consensu af-
ficiunt, & quan-
quam obiecta
multos motus
turbulentos in
homine concitant,
precipua tamen
causa in corde et
humoribus, spi-
ritibusque, consi-
stunt, &c.

^s Hor.

^t Humores pra-
vi mentem ob-
nubilant.

^u Hic humor vel
a partis intem-
perie generatur,
vel relinquitur
post inflammationes,
vel crassior
in venis conclu-
sus, vel torpidus
malignam qua-
litate contrahit.

others, as I haue formerly said, lay the greatest fault on the Soule, excusing the Body; others againe accusing the Body, excuse the Soule, as a principall agent. Their reasons are, because ^m the manners doe follow the Temperature of the body, as Galen proues in his booke of that subiect, *Prosper Calenius de Atrabile*, *Iason Pratensis cap. de Mania*, *Lemnius lib. 4. cap. 16.* and many others. And that which *Gualter* hath commented *hom. 10. in epist. Iohannis* is most true, concupiscence and originall sinne, inclinations, and bad humours are ^a radicall in every one of vs, causing these perturbations, affections, and seuerall distempers, offering many times violence vnto the Soule. Every man is tempted by his owne concupiscence (*James 1. 14*) the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weake, and rebelleth against the spirit, as our ^o apostle teacheth vs: that me thinkes the Soule hath the better plea against the body, which so forcibly inclines vs, that we cannot resist, *Nec nos obniti contra, nec tendere tantum Sufficimus.* How the body being materiall, worketh vpon the immateriall soule, by mediation of humours and spirits, which participate of both, and ill disposed organs, *Cornelius Agrippa* hath discoursed *lib. 1. de occult. Philos. cap. 63. 64. 65.* *Levinus Lemnius lib. 1. de occult. nat. mir. cap. 12. & 16. & 21. institut. ad opt. vit. Perkins lib. 1. Cases of Conf. cap. 12. T. Bright cap. 10. 11. 12. in his Treatise of Melancholy.* For as *Panger*, seare, sorrowe, obrectation, emulation, &c. *si mentis intimos recessus occuparint*, saith ^q *Lemnius*, *corpori quoque, infesta sunt, & illi terribilissimos morbos inferunt*, cause grievous diseases in the Body, so bodily diseases affect the Soule by consent. Now the chiefe causes proceed from the ^r Heart, humors, spirits: as they are purer, or impurer, so is the Minde, and equally suffers, as a Lute out of tune, if one string, or one organ be distempered, all the rest miscarry, ^t *Corpus onustum Hesternis vitijs, animum quoque, praeuariat una.* The Body is *domicilium anima*, her house, abode and stay, and as a torch, giues a better light, a sweeter smell, according to the matter he is made of: so doth our Soule performe all her actions, better or worse, as her organs are disposed; or as wine favours of the cask where it is kept; the Soule receaues a Tincture from the Body, through which it workes. Wee see this in old men, children, *Europeans, Asians*, hot & cold Climes; Sanguine are merry, Melancholy sad, Phlegmaticke dull, by reason of abundance of such humours, and they cannot resist such passions as are inflicted by them. For in this infirmity of humane nature, as *Melancthon* declares, the Vnderstanding is so tied to, and captiuated by his inferiour senses, that without their helpe hee cannot exercise his functions, and the Will being weakned, hath but a small power to reſtraine those outward parts, but suffers her selfe to be ouerruled by them; that I must needs conclude with *Lemnius*, *spiritus & humores maximum nocumentum obtinent*, spirits and humours doe most harme in ^t troubling the Soule. How should a man choose but bee cholericke and angry, that hath his body so clogged with abundance of grosse humours? or melancholy, that is so inwardly disposed? Thence comes then this malady, Madnesse, Apoplexies, Lethargies, &c. it may not be denied.

Now this Body of ours is most part distempered by some precedent diseases, which molest his inward organs and instruments, & so per consequens cause Melancholy, according to the consent of the most approved Physitians. ^u This humour (as *Avicenna lib. 3. Fen. 1. Tract. 4. cap. 18. Arnoldus breui-*

ar. lib. 1. cap. 18. Iacchinus comment. in 9. Rhasis cap. 15. Montaltus cap. 10. 153
 Nicholas Pifo cap. de Melan. &c. suppose) is begotten by the distemperature of
 some inward part, innate, or left after some inflammation, or else included in the
 blood after an ^u ague, or some other malignant disease. This opinion of theirs
 concurreth with that of Galen. lib. 3. cap. 6. de locis affect. Guianerius giues an in-
 stance in one so caused by a quartan ague, and Montanus consil. 32. in a yong
 man of 28 yeares of age, so distempered after a quartan, which had molested
 him five yeares together. Hildisheim spicel. 2. de Mania, relates of a Dutch
 Baron, grievously tormented with melancholy after a long ^a ague, Galen.
 lib. de atra bile cap. 4. puts the plague a cause. Botaldus in his booke de lue
 vener. cap. 2. the French pox for a cause: others, Phrensie, Epilepsie, Apo-
 plexie, because those diseases doe often degenerate into this. Of suppressi-
 on of Hæmroids, Hæmorrhagia, or bleeding at nose, menstruous retentions,
 or any other evacuation stopped, I haue already spoken. Only this I will add,
 that such Melancholy as shall be caused by such infirmities, deserues to bee
 pittied of all men, and to bee respected with a more tender compassion, ac-
 cording to Laurentius, as comming from a more inevitable cause.

^u Sepe constat
 in febre homine
 Melancholicum,
 vel post febrem
 reddi, aut alium
 morbum.
 Calida intempe-
 ries imata, vel a
 febre contracta.
^a Rayd quis diu-
 turno morbo la-
 borat, qui non sit
 melancholicus.
 Mercurialis de
 affect. capitis lib.
 1. c. 18. de Mel.

SUBSEC. 2.

Distemperature of particular parts.

T Here is almost no part of the Body, which being distempered, doth
 not cause this malady, as the Braine & his parts, Heart, Liuer, Splene
 Stomacke, Matrix or Wombe, Pylorus, Mirache, Mesentery, Hypo-
 condries, Meseriack veines, and in a word, saith ¹ Arculanus, there is no part
 which causeth not melancholy, either because it is adust, or doth not expell the
 superfluity of the nutriment. Savaarola Pract. maior. rubric. 11. Tract. 6. cap. 1.
 is of the same opinion, that melancholy is ingendred in each particular part,
 and ² Crato in consil. 17. lib. 2. Gordonius, who is instar omnium, lib. med. partic.
 2. cap. 19. confirms as much, putting the ² matter of melancholy, sometimes in
 the stomacke, Liuer, Heart, Braine, Splene, Mirach, Hypochondries, when as the
 melancholy humour resides there, or the Liuer is not well cleansed from Melan-
 choly blood.

¹ Ad nonum
 lib. Rhasis ad Al-
 man. or cap. 16.
 Vniuersaliter a
 quacunque parte
 potest fieri me-
 lancholicus.
 Vel quia aduri-
 tur, vel quia non
 expellit super-
 fluitatem ex-
 crementi.

² A Liene, iesti-
 more, utero, &
 aliis partibus o-
 ritur.

³ Materia Me-
 lancholie ali-
 quando in cere-
 bro, aliquando in
 corde, in stom-
 cho, hepate, ab
 hypochondriis,
 myrache, splene,
 cum ibi reman-
 net, humor me-
 lancholicus.

⁴ Ex sanguine
 adusto, intra vel

The Braine is a familiar and frequent cause, too hot, or too cold, ^b through
 adust bloud so caused, as Mercurialis will haue it, within or without the head,
 the braine it selfe being distempered. Those are most apt to this disease,
^c that haue a hot Heart and moist Braine, which Montaltus cap. 11. de Melanc.
 approoues out of Halyabbas, Rhasis, and Avicenna. Mercurialis consil. 11. 2.
 signes the coldnesse of the Braine a cause, and Salustius Saluianus med. lect.
 lib. 2. cap. 1. will haue it ^d arise from a cold & dry distemperature of the braine.
 Pifo, Benedictus Victorius Faventinus, will haue it proceed from a ^e hot dis-
 temperature of the Braine; and ^f Montaltus cap. 10. from the Braines heat,
 scorching the blood. The Braine is still distempered by him selfe, or by con-
 sent: by him selfe or his proper affection, as Faventinus calls it, ^g or by vapors

extra caput. ^c Qui calidum cor habent, cerebrum humidum, facile melancholici. ^d Sequitur melancholia malam intemperiem fri-
 gidam & siccam ipsius cerebri. ^e Sape fit ex calidiore cerebro, aut corpore colligente melancholiam, Pifo. ^f Vel per propriam affectio-
 nem, vel per consensum, cum vapores exhalant in cerebrum, Montalt. cap. 14. ^g Aut ibi gignitur melancholicus humor, aut alius ad
 vehitur, alterando animales facultates.

which arise from the other parts, and fume up into the head, altering the animal faculties.

^a Ab intemperie cordis, modo calidior, modo frigidior.

ⁱ Epist. 209.

² Scolizij. ^b Officina humorum hepatis concurrit &c.

¹ Ventriculus et vasa meseriace concurrunt, quod he partes obstruere sunt, &c.

^m Per se sanguinem adurentes.

ⁿ Lien frigidus & siccus cap. 13.

^o Splen obstruere.

^p De arte med. lib. 3. cap. 24.

^q A sanguinis putredine in vasis seminariis et utero, & quandoq; a spermate diu retento, vel sanguine menstruato in melancholiam versa per putrefactionem, vel adustionem.

^r Magirus.

^s Ergo efficiens causa melancholice est calida & sicca intemperies, non frigida & sicca quod multi opinati sunt, oritur enim a calore cerebri, affante sanguinem, &c. tum quod aromata sanguinem incendunt, solitudo, vigilie, febris precedens, meditatio, studium, & hec omnia calefaciunt, ergo ratum sit, &c.

^t Cap. 13. de Melanch.

Hildegardus spicel. 2. de Mania, thinkes it may be caused from a ^h distemperature of the heart, sometimes hot, sometimes cold. A hot Liuer, and a cold Stomacke, are put for vsuall causes of Melancholy: *Mercurialis consil. 11. & consil. 6. consil. 86.* assigns a hot Liuer, and cold Stomacke for ordinary causes.

ⁱ Monavius in an Epistle of his to Crato in Scolizius, is of opinion, that Hypocondriacall Melancholy may proceed from a cold Liuer, the question is there discussed. Most agree that a hot Liuer is in fault, ^k the Liuer is the shop of humours, and especially causeth melancholy by his hot and dry distemperature.

^l The Stomacke, and Meseriacke veines doe often concur, by reason of their obstructions, and thence their heat cannot be avoided, and many times the matter is so adust, and inflamed in these parts, that it degenerates into Hypocondriacall melancholy. *Guianerius cap. 2. Tract. 15.* holds the Meseriacke veines to be a sufficient ^m cause alone. The Splene concurs to this madady, by all their consents, and suppression of Hæmrods, *dum non expurgat altera causa alien,*

saith *Montaltus*, if it be ⁿ too cold and dry, and doe not purge the other parts as it ought. *Consil. 23.* *Montanus* puts the ^o splene stopped for a great cause.

^p *Christopherus à Vega* reports of his knowledge, that hee hath knowne Melancholy caused from putrified blood in those Seed veines & wombe. ^q *Arculanus* from that mensstruous blood turned into melancholy, and seed too long detained (as I haue already declared) by putrefaction or adustion.

The Mesenterium, or Midriffe, *Diaphragma*, is a cause, which the ^r Greekes called *oeris*: because by his inflammation, the minde is much troubled with convulsions and dotage. All these, most part, offende by inflammation, corrupting humours and spirits, in this non-naturall melancholy: for from these are ingendred fuliginous and blacke spirits. And for that reason, ^s *Montaltus*

cap. 10. de causis melan. will haue the efficient cause of melancholy to be hote and dry, not a cold and dry distemperature, as some hold, from the heat of the Braine, roasting the blood, and immoderate heat of the Liuer and bowels, and inflammation of the Pylorus. And so much the rather, because that, as *Galen* holds, all spices inflame the blood, solitarinesse, waking, agues, study, meditation, all which heat: and therefore he concludes that this distemperature causing aduentitious Melancholy, is not cold and dry, but hot and dry. But of this I haue sufficiently treated in the matter of Melancholy, and hold that this may bee true in non-naturall Melancholy, which produceth madnesse, but not in that naturall, which is more cold, and being immoderate, produceth a gentle dotage.

^t Which opinion *Geraldus de Solo* maintaines in his Comment vpon *Rhasis*.

SVBSEC. 3.

Causes of head Melancholy.

After a tedious discourse of the generall causes of Melancholy, I am now returned at last to treat in briebe of the three particular species, & such causes as properly appertaine vnto them. Although these causes promiscuously concur to each and every particular kinde, and commonly produce their effects in that part which is most weake, ill disposed, & least

least able to resist, and so cause all three species; yet many of them are proper to some one kinde, and seldome found in the rest. As for example, head Melancholy is commonly caused by a cold or hot distemperature of the Braine, according to *Laurentius cap. 5. de melan.* but as *† Hercules de Saxonia* contends, from that agitation or distemperature of the animal spirits alone. *Salust. Salviannus* before mentioned *lib. 2. cap. 1. de re med.* will haue it proceed from cold: but that I take of naturall melancholy, such as are fooles and dote; for as *Galen* writes *lib. 4. de puls. 8.* and *Avicenna*, ^a a cold & moist Braine is an vnseparable companion of folly. But this adventitious melancholy which is here meant, is caused of an hot and dry distemperature, as *† Damascen* the Arabian *lib. 3. cap. 22.* thinkes, and most writers. *Altomarus* and *Piso* call it *† an innate burning untemperatnesse, turning blood and choler into melancholy.* Both these opinions may stand good, as *Brueel* maintaines, & *Capivaccius* *si cerebrum sit calidius*, ² if the Braine be hote, the animal spirits will be hot, and thence comes madnesse: if cold, folly. *David Crusius Theat. morb. Hermet. lib. 2. cap. 6. de atrâ bile*, grants melancholy to bee a disease of an inflamed braine, but cold, notwithstanding of it selfe: *calida per accidens, frigida per se*, hot by accident only. I am of *Capivaccius* minde for my part. Now this humour, according to *Salviannus*, is sometime in the substance of the Braine, sometimes contained in the Membranes, and Tunicles that couer the Braine, sometimes in the passages of the Ventricles of the Braine, or veines of those Ventricles. It followes many times ³ *Phrensie*, long diseases, agues, long abode in hot places, or vnder the Sunne, a blowe on the head, as *Rhasis* informeth vs: *Piso* addes solitarinesse, waking, inflammations of the head, proceeding most part ^b from much vse of spices, hot wines, hot meates; all which *Montanus* reckons vp *consil. 22.* for a Melancholy Jew; and *Hernius* repeats *cap. 12. de Maniâ*, hot bathes, Garlick, Onions, saith *Guianerius*, bad ayre, corrupt, much ^c waking, &c. retention of seed, or abundance, stopping of hemorrhogia, the Midriffe misaffected; and according to *Trallianus l. 1. 16.* immoderate cares, troubles, griefes, discontent, study, meditation, and in a word, the abuse of all those non-naturall things. *Hercules de Saxonia*, *cap. 16. lib. 1.* will haue it caused from a cautery, or boyledryed vp, or any issue. *Amatus Lusitanus cent. 2. curâ 67.* giues instance in a fellow that had a boyle in his arme, ^e after that was healed, ran mad, & when the wound was open, he was cured againe. *Trincavelius consil. 13. lib. 1.* hath an example of a melancholy man so caused by ouermuch continuance in the Sunne, frequent vse of Venerie, and immoderate exercise. And in his *consil. 49. lib. 3.* from an ^f headpeece ouerheated, which caused head-melancholy. *Prosper Calenius* brings in *Cardinal Casius* for a patterne of such as are so melancholy by long study: but examples are infinite.

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† lib. 3. Tract. posthum. de mel.

^a A fatuitate inseparabilis cerebri frigiditas.² Ab interno calore assatur.³ Intemperies innata exuens, flavam bilem ac sanguinem in melancholiam convertens.² Si cerebrum sit calidius, fiet spiritus animalis calidior, & delirium maniacum; si frigidior, fiet fatuitas.³ Melancholia capitis accedit post phrenesim aut longam moram sub sole, aut percussione in capite, *cap. 23. lib. 1.*^b Qui bibit vina potentia, & sepe sunt sub sole.^c Cure validæ largioris vini & aromatum usus.^d A Caulerio & ulcere exsiccato.^e Ab ulcere curato incidit in insaniam, aperto vulnere curatur.^f A galeâ nimis calefactâ.

SUBSEC. 4.

Causes of Hypochondriacall or windie Melancholy

IN repeating of these causes, I must *crambem bis coctam apponere*, say that againe which I haue formerly said, in applying them to their proper Species. Hypochondriacall or flatuous Melancholy, is that which the Arabians call

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Exuritur sanguis & vene obstruuntur, quibus obstruuntur, prohibetur transitus Chyli ad iecur, corrumpitur & in rugitus & flatus vertitur.

Stomachole sororibus corporis imminuitur, & reliqua membra alimento orbata &c.

Cap.10.

Hildesheim.

call *Myrachiall*, and is in my iudgement the most grievous and frequent, though *Bruel* and *Laurentius* make it least dangerous, and not so hard to be knowne. His causes are inward or outward. Inward from divers parts or organs, as *Midriffe*, *Splene*, *Stomacke*, *Liuver*, *Pylorus*, *Wombe*, *Diaphragma*, *Meseriacke* veins, stopping of *Istues*, &c. *Montanus* cap.15. out of *Galen* recites & heat and obstruction of those *meseriacke* veins, as an immediate cause, by which meanes the passage of the *Chylus* to the *Liuver* is detained, stopped or corrupted, and turned into rumbling and winde. *Montanus* consil. 233. hath an evident demonstration, *Trincavelius* another, lib. 1. cap. 12. and *Plater* a third, obseruat. lib. 1. for a Doctor of the Law visited with this infirmity, from the said obstruction and heat of these *Meseriacke* veins, and bowels: *quoniam inter ventriculum & iecur vena effervescent*, the veins are inflamed about the *Liuver* and *Stomacke*. Sometimes those other parts are together misaffected, and concur to the production of this malady. A hot *liuver* & cold *stomacke* or cold belly: looke for instances in *Hollerius*, *Victor Trincavelius*, consil. 35 lib. 3. *Hildesheim* Spicel. 2. fol. 132. *Solenander* consil. 9. pro cluue *Lugdunensi*, *Montanus* consil. 229. for the Earle of *Monfort* in *Germany* 1549. and *Frismelica* in the 233 consultation of the said *Montanus*. *I. Casar Glaxdinus* giues instance of a cold *stomacke* and ouerhot *liuver*, almost in every consultation. cons. 89. for a certain Count: & cons. 106. for a *Polonian* Baron, by reason of heat the blood is inflamed, and grosse vapors sent to the *Heart* and *Braine*. *Mercurialis* subscribes to them, consil. 86. ^h the *stomacke* being misaffected, which he calls the king of the belly, because if he bee distempered, all the rest suffer with him, as being deprived of their nutriment, or fed with bad nourishment, by meanes of which, come crudities, obstructions, winde, rumbling, griping, &c. *Hercules de Saxonia* besides heat, will haue the weakness of the liver and his obstruction, a cause, *facultatem debilem iecinoris*, which he ¹ calls the minerall of melancholy. *Laurentius* assigns this reason, because the *liuver* ouer-hot drawes the meat vndigested out of the *stomacke*, and burneth the humours. *Montanus* cons. 244. proues that sometimes a cold *liuver* may be a cause. *Laurentius* cap. 12. *Trincavelius* lib. 12. consil. and *Gualter Bruel* seemes to lay the greatest fault vpon the *Splene*, that doth not his duty in purging the *liuver* as he ought, being to great or to little, in drawing too much blood sometimes to it, and not expelling it, as *P. Cnemidrus* in a ^k consultation of his noted, *tumorem lienis* hee names it, and the fountaine of Melancholy. *Diocles* supposed the ground of this kinde of Melancholy, to proceed from the inflammation of the *Pylorus*, which is the neather mouth of the *Ventricle*. Others assigne the *Mesenterium* or *Midriffe* distempered by heat, the *wombe* misaffected, stopping of *Hemrods*, with many such. All which *Laurentius* cap. 12. reduceth to three, *Mesentery*, *Liuver*, and *Splene*, from whence he denominates *Hepaticke*, *Spleniticke*, and *Meseriacke* Melancholy.

Outward causes, are bad diet, care, griefes, discontents, and in a word all those six non-naturall things, as *Montanus* found by his experience, consil. 244. *Solenander* consil. 9. for a Citizen of *Lyons* in *France* giues his reader to vnderstand, that he knewe this mischief procured by a medicine of *Cantharides*, which an vnskilfull Physitian gaue vnto his patient to drinke *ad venem excitandam*. But most commonly feare, griefe, and some sudden commotion

motion, or perturbation of the minde beginne it, in such bodies especially as are ill disposed. *Melancthon tract. 14. cap. 2. de animâ*, will haue it as commo to men, as the mother to women, vpon some grievous trouble, dislike, or discontent. For as *Camerarius* records in his life, *Melancthon* himselfe was much troubled with it, and therefore could speake out of experience. *Montanus consil. 22. pro delirante Iudeo*, confirms it, ¹grievous symptomes of minde brought him to it. *Randoletius* relates of himselfe, that being one day very intent to write out a Physitians notes, molested by an odde occasion, hee fell into an hypocondriacall fit, to avoid which he dranke the decoction of wormewood, and was freed. ^m*Melancthon* (being the disease is so troublesome and frequent) holds it a most necessary and profitable studie, for euery man to knowe the accidents of it, and a dangerous thing to be ignorant, & would therefore haue most men, in some sort to vnderstand the causes, symptomes, and cures of it.

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¹ *Habuit sava animi symptoma nata quae impediunt concoctionem, &c.*
^m *Estatissimus morbus cum sit, vtile est huius visceris accidentia considerare, nec leue periculum huius causae morbi ignorantibus.*

SUBSEC. 5.

Causes of Melancholy from the whole Body.

AS before, the cause of this kind of Melancholy is inward or outward. Inward, ^awhen the liuer is apt to ingender such an humour, or the spleene weake by nature and not able to discharge his office. A melancholy temperature, retention of Hæmroids, monthly issues, bleeding at nose, long diseases, agues, and all those six non-naturall things increase it. But especially
 o bad diet, as *Piso* thinks, pulse, salt meat, shell-fish, cheese, blacke wine, &c. *Mercurialis* out of *Averroes* and *Avicenna* condemnes all hearbes: *Galen. l. 3. de loc. affect. cap. 7.* especially Cabbage. So likewise feare, sorrow, discontent, &c. but of these before. And thus in brieffe you haue had the generall and particular causes of Melancholy.

^a *Tecur aptum ad generandum talem humorem, splenaturâ imbecillior Piso. Aliomarius. Guianerius.*
 o *Melancholiam que fit à redundantia humoris in toto corpore, vicius imprimis generat qui eum humorem parit.*

Now goe & bragge of thy present happinesse, whosoeuer thou art, brag of thy temperature, of thy good parts, insult, triumph, and boast; thou seest in what a brittle state thou art, how soone thou maist be deiected, how many seuerall waies, by bad diet, bad ayre, a small losse, a little sorrow or discontent, an ague, &c. how many sudden accidents may procure thy ruine, what a small tenure of happinesse thou hast in this life, how weake and silly a creature thou art. *Humble thy selfe therefore vnder the mighty hand of God. 1. Pet. 5. 6.* knowe thy selfe, acknowledge thy present misery, and make right vse of it. *Qui stat videat ne cadat.* Thou dost now flourish, and hast *bona animi, corporis, & fortuna*, goods of body, minde, and fortune, *nescis quid serus secum vesp̄er ferat*, thou knowst not what stormes and tempests the late euening may bring with it. Be not secure then, *be sober and watch, & fortunam reuerenter habe*, if fortunate and rich: if sick and poore, moderate thy selfe. I haue said.

P. *Ausonius.*

SECT. 3.

MEMB. 1. SUBSECT. 1.

Symptomes, or signes of Melancholy in the Body.

¹ Quedam vniuersalia, particularia, quedam manifesta, quedam in corpore, quedam in cogitatione & animo, quedam a stellis, quedam ab humoribus, que ut vinum corpus varie disponit, &c. Diversa phantasmata pro varietate cause externe interne

² Lib. 1. de risu. Fol. 17.

Ad eius esum alij sudant, alij vomunt, flet, bibunt, saltant, alij rident, tremunt, dormiunt &c.

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⁴ Nigrescit hic humor aliquando supercalescens, aliquando superfrigidus.

⁵ Melanch. e Gal.

⁶ Interprete F. Calvo.

⁷ Oculi his excavantur, ventri gignuntur circum praeordia & acidi vultus, fici ferè ventres Vertigo, tinnitus aurium, somni pusilli, somnia terribilia & interrupta.

⁸ Assidue eegridae rutilationes, quae cibum virulentum pisculentum, nidorem, eisi nihil ingestum sit, referant obcurritatem.

Ventres hisce aridi, somnus plerumq; parvus & interruptus, somnia absurdissima, turbulenta, corporis tremor, capitis grauedo, strepitus circa aures, & visiones ante oculos, ad venerem prodigi. ⁹ Altomarus, Bruel, Piso, Montaltus. ¹⁰ Frequentes habent oculorum nictationes. Aliqui tamen fixis oculis plerumq; sunt. ¹¹ Cent. lib. 1. Tract. 9. Signa huius morbi sunt plurimus saluus, sonitus aurium, capitis grauedo, lingua titubans, oculi excavantur, &c. ¹² In Pantheon cap. de Melancholia.

Symptomes are either ¹ vniuersal or particular, saith *Gordonius, lib. med. cap. 19. part. 2.* to persons, to species, some signes are secret, some manifest, some in the Body, some in the minde, and diuersly vary, according to the inward or outward causes, *Capivaccius*: or from starres according to *Iovianus Pontanus, de reb. caelest. lib. 10. cap. 13.* and celestiall influences or from the humours diuersly mixt, *Ficinus lib. 1. cap. 4. de sanit. tuenda*: as they are hote, cold, naturall, vnnaturall, intended or remitted, so will *Atius* haue melancholica leiria multiformia, diuersity of melancholy signes. *Laurentius* ascribes them to their severall temperatures, delights, natures, inclinations, continuance of time, as they are simple or mixt with other diseases, as the causes are diuers, so must the signes be, almost infinite, *Altomarus cap. 7. art. med.* And as wine produceth diuerse effects, or that hearb *Tortocola* in *Laurentius*, which makes some laugh, some weepe, some sleepe, some dance, some sing, some howle, some drinke, &c. So doth this our melancholy humour, worke severall signes in severall parties.

But to confine them, these generall Symptomes may be reduced to those of the Body or of the Minde. Those vsuall signes appearing in the Bodies of such as are melancholy be these, cold and dry, or they are hot and dry, as the humour is more or lesse adust. From these first qualities arise many other second, as that of colour, blacke, swarty, pale, ruddy, &c. some are impense rubri, as *Montaltus cap. 16.* obserues out of *Galen. lib. 3. de locis affectis*, very red and high coloured. *Hippocrates* in his booke ¹³ de Insaniâ & melan. reckons vp these signes, that they are ¹⁴ leane, withered, hollow-eyed, looke old, wrinkled, harsh, much troubled with winde, and a gryping in their bellies, or belly-ake, belch often, dry bellies and hard, deiected looks, slaggie beards, singing of the eares, vertigo, light headed, little or no sleepe, and that interrupt, terrible & fearefull dreames. The same Symptomes are repeated by *Melaneus* in his booke of Melancholy, collected out of *Galen, Ruffus, Atius*, by *Rhasis, Gordonius*, and all the Iunioris, & continuall, sharpe, and stinking belchings, as if their meat in their stomacke were putrified, or that they had eaten fish, dry bellies, absurd and interrupt dreames, and many phantasticall visions about their eyes, vertiginous, apt to tremble, and prone to Venery, ¹⁵ Some adde palpitation of the heart, cold sweat, as vsuall Symptomes, and a kinde of sleaping in many parts of the body, saltum in multis corporis partibus, a kinde of itching, saith *Laurentius* on the superficies of the skin, like a flea-biting sometimes. ¹⁶ *Montaltus, cap. 21.* puts fixed eyes and much twinkling of their eyes for a signe, & so doth *Avicenna, oculos habentes palpitantes, trauli vehementer rubicundi, &c. l. 3. Fen. 1. Tract. 4. cap. 18.* They stutte most part, which hee tooke out of *Hippocrates Aphorismes*. ¹⁷ *Rhasis* makes head ach and a binding heavinesse for

a principall token, much leaping of winde about the skinn, as well as sturring, or tripping in speech, &c. hollow eyes, grosse veines, and broad lippes. And although they be commonly leane, hirsute, vnchearefull in countenance, withered, and not so pleasant to behold, by reason of those continuall feares, griefes, and vexations; yet their memories are most part good, they haue happy wits, and excellent apprehensions. Their hot and dry braines make them they cannot sleepe, *Ingentes habent & crebras vigiliis* (Aretius) Mighty and often watchings, sometimes waking for a month, a yeare together. *c Hercules de Saxonia* faithfully auereth, that he hath heard his mother sweare, she slept not for seauen months together. *Trincavellius Tom. 2. conf. 16.* speakes of one that waked 50 dayes, and *Skenktus* hath examples of two yeares. In naturall actions their appetite is greater then their concoction, *multa appetunt, pauca digerunt*, as *Rhasis* hath it, they couet to eat, but cannot digest. And although they *d* doe eat much, yet they are leane, ill liking, faith *Aretius*, withered and hard, much troubled with costuenesse, crudities, oppilations, spitting, belching, &c. Their pulse rare and slowe, except it bee of the *c Carotides* which is very strong, but that varies according to their intended passions or perturbations, as *Struthius* hath proued at large, *Spigmatica artis lib. 4. cap. 13.* To say truth, in such Chronick diseases the pulse is not much to be respected, there being so much superstition in it, as *f Crato* notes, and so many differences in *Galen*, that he dares say they may not be obserued, or vnderstood of any man.

Their vrine is most part pale, and low coloured, *Vrina pauca, acris, biliosa*, (*Aretius*) Not much in quantity, but this in my iudgem^t, is all out as vncertaine as the other, varying so often according to seuerall persons, habits, and other occasions, not to be respected in Chronicke diseases. *3* Their melancholy excrements in some very much, in others little, as the Spleene playes his part, and thence proceeds winde, palpitation of the Heart, short breath, plenty of humiaity in the stomacke, heauinesse of heart and heart-ake, an intolerable stupidity and dulnesse of spirits. Their excrements or stooles hard, black to some, and little. If the heart, braine, liuer, spleene, bee misaffected, as vsually they are, many inconueniences proceed from them, many diseases accompany, as Incubus, *h* Apoplexy, Epilepsie, Vertigo, those frequent wakings & terrible dreames, intempestiue laughing, weeping, sighing, sobbing, blushing, trembling, sweating, swouning &c. *k* All their senses are troubled, they think they see, heare, smell, and touch, that which they doe not, as shall bee proued in the following discourse.

SVASEC. 2.

Symptomes or signes in the Minde.

A *Rculanus in 9. Rhasis ad Almanfor. cap. 16.* will haue these Symptomes to be infinite, as indeed they are, varying according to the parties, for scarce is there one of a thousand that doates alike, *Laurentius cap. 16.* Some few of greater note I will point at; and amongst the rest, Feare and Sorrow, which as they are causes, so if they perseuere long, according to *1 Hipocrates* *m* & *Galen's* Aphorismes, they are most assured signes, inseparable companions,

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c In Pantheon. cap. de Melancholia.

d Albus arida nihil deiciens, cibi copaces. nihilominus tamen extenuati sunt.

e Nic. Pilo. Inflatio carotidum &c.

f Andreas Dith Kabaro. epist. lib. 3. Crato. epist. multa in pulsibus superstitione, cuius etiam dicere, tot differentias que describuntur a Galeno, neq; intelligi a quouam me obseruari posse.

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h Pest. 40. etat. annum, faith

jacchimus in 15

9. Rhasis. Idem

Mercurialis cō-

fil. 86. Trinca-

velius Tom. 2.

conf. 17.

Gordonius:

modo ridet,

modo flet, si-

lent &c.

k Fernelius cō-

fil. 43. & 45.

Montanus conf.

230 Galen. de

locis affectis lib.

3. cap. 6.

Feare.

1 Apporism. de

lib. de melan.

m Lib. 3. cap. 6.

de locis affect.

timor & maffi-

ta, si diutius

perseuerent &c.

companions, & characters of melancholy; Of present melancholy, and habituated, saith *Montaltus* cap. 21. and common to them all, as the said *Hippocrates*, *Galen*, *Avicenna*, & all Neoterickes hold. But as hounds many times run away with a false cry, neuer perceiuing themselves to bee at a fault, so doe they. For *Diocles* of old, (whom *Galen* confutes) and amongst the *Iunior*s, † *Hercules de Saxonia*, take iust exceptions at this Aphorisme of *Hippocrates*, tis not alwayes true, or so generally to be vnderstood, Feare and Sorrow are no common Symptomes to all melancholy, vpon more serious consideration, I finde some (saith he) that are not so at all. Some indeed are sad, and not fearefull; some fearefull, and not sad, some neither fearefull, nor sad, some both. Four kinds he excepts, fanaticall persons, such as were *Cassandra*, *Manto*, *Nicostrata*, *Mopsus*, *Proteus*, the *Sybills*, whom * *Aristotle* confesseth to haue beene deeply melancholy, *Baptista Porta* seconds him, *Physiog. lib. 1. cap. 8.* they were *atrâ bile perciti*: dæmoniacall persons, and such as speake strange languages, are of this ranke; some Poets, such as laugh alwayes, and think themselves Kings, Cardinals, &c. sanguine they are, & pleasantly disposed most part, & so continue. † *Baptista Porta* confines Feare & Sorrow to such as are cold; but such as are Louers, Sybilles, Enthusiastes, he wholly excludes. So that I thinke I may truly conclude, they are not alwayes sad & fearefull, but vsually so: and that ° *without a cause*, *timent de non timendis*, *Gordonius*: *quæq. momenti non sunt*, although not all alike (saith *Altomarus*) yet all likely feare, & some with an extraordinary and a mighty feare, *Areteus*. Many feare death, and yet in a contrary humor, make away themselves, *Galen. lib. 3. de loc. affect. cap. 7.* Some are afraid that Heauen will fall on their heads: some, they are damned, or shall be. † They are troubled with scruples of conscience, distrusting Gods mercies, thinke they shall goe certainly to Hell, and make great lamentation, *Iason Pratensis*. Feare of imminent danger, losse, disgrace still torment others, &c. that they are all glasse, & therefore will suffer no man to come neere them; that they are all cork, as light as feathers; others as heavy as Lead; some are afraid their heads will fall off their shoulders, that they haue frogs in their bellies, &c. † *Montanus consil. 23.* speakes of one that durst not walke alone from home, for feare he should fowne, or die. A second feares euery man he meetes will rob him, quarrell with him, or kill him. A third dare not venture to walke alone, for feare he should meet the diuell, a theefe, be sicke; feares all old women as witches, and euery dog or cat he sees, he suspecteth to be a diuell, another dare not goe ouer a bridge &c. or come neere a poole: some are † afraid to be burned, or that the ° ground will sinke vnder them, or ° swallow them quicke, or that the King will call them in question for some fact they neuer did (*Rhasis cont.*) and that they shall surely be executed. The terror of such a death troubles them, and they feare as much, and are equally tormented in mind, & as they that haue committed a murder, & are persue without a cause, as if they were now presently to be put to death. *Plater. cap. 3. de mentis alienat.* they are afraid of some losse, danger, that they shall surely lose their liues, goods, and all they haue, but why they know not. *Trincavelinus consil. 13. lib. 1.* had a patient that would needes make away himselfe, for feare of being hanged, & would not bee perswaded for three yeeres together, but

† *Tract. posthumo de Melanch. edit. Venetijs 1620. per Boletam Bibliop. Mibi diligentius hanc rem consideranti, patet quosdam esse, qui non laborant merore & timore.*
* *Prob. lib. 3.*

† *Physiog. lib. 1. cap. 8. Quibus multa frigida bilis atra, solidi & timidi: at qui calidi, ingeniosi, amant, diuino spiritu inflati &c.*
° *Omnes exercent victus & erisilia, & sine causa.*
† *Omnes timent licet non omnibus idem timendi modus. Actius. Tetrab. lib. 2. sect. 2. cap. 9.*
† *Ingenti pavore trepidant.*
† *Multi mortem timent, & tamen sibi ipsi mortem consciscunt, alij celi ruinam timent.*
† *Affligit eos plena scrupulis conscientia, diuine misericordie dissidentes, Orco se destinant, sedâ lamentatione deplorantes.*
* *Non ausus egredi domo ne deficeret.*
† *Multi demones timent, latrones, insidias.*
† *Avicenna.*
† *Alij comburi, alij de Rege. Rasis.*

° *Ne terrâ absorbeantur. Forestus.* ° *Ne terra debiscat. Gordon.* † *Alij timore mortis tenentur, & malâ gratiâ principum putant se aliquid commississe, & ad supplicium requiri.*

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that he had killed a man. *Plater. observat. lib. 1.* hath two other examples, of such as feared to be executed without a cause. If they come in a place where a robbery, or any offence hath bin done, they presently feare they are suspected, and many times betray themselves without a cause. *Lewes the 11.* the French King, suspected every man a traitor that came about him, durst trust no man. *Alij formidolosi omnium, alij quorundam.* (*Fracastrorius lib. 2. de Intellect.*) ² some feare all alike, some certaine men, & cannot endure their companies, are sick in them, or if they be from home. Some suspect treason still, others are afraid of their dearest and nearest friends. (*Melanelius & Galeno, Ruffo, Etio,*) and dare not be alone in the darke, for feare of hobgoblins and divels: he suspects every thing he heares or sees to be a divell, & imagineth a thousand Chimeras & visions; another dares not be seene abroad, ^c loves darknesse as life, and cannot endure the light, or to sit in lightsome places, his hat still in his eyes, he will neither see, nor be seene by his good will, *Hippocrates lib. de Insaniâ & Melancholiâ.* He dare not come in company for feare he should be misused or disgraced, or overshoot himselfe in gesture or speeches, or be sicke, he thinkes every man observes him, or aimes at him, derides him, owes him malice. Most part ^d they are afraid, they are bewitched, possessed, or poisoned by their enemies, and sometimes they suspect their nearest friends: he thinkes something speaks or talks within him, or to him, and hee belcheth of the poison. *Christophorus à Vega lib. 2. cap. 1.* had a Patient so troubled, that by no perswasion or Physick, he could be reclaimed. Some are afraid that they shall have every fearefull disease they see others have, heare of, or reade, and doe not therefore heare or read of any such subiect, no not of melancholy it selfe, lest by applying to theselues that which they heare or read, they should aggravate & increase it. If they see one possessed, bewitch'd, or an Epileptick Paroxisme, a man shaking with the palsy, or giddy-headed, reeling or standing in a dangerous place &c: for many dayes after it runnes in their mindes; they are afraid they shall be so too, they are in like danger, as *Perkins cap. 1. 2. sect. 2:* well observes in his Cases of Conscience, and many times by Imagination they produce it. They cannot endure to see any terrible object, as a Monster, a man executed, a carcase, or heare the diuell named, or any Tragicall relation, but they quake for feare; *Hecates somniare sibi videntur* (*Lucian*) they dreame of hobgoblins, & cannot get it out of their mindes a long time after: they apply (as I have said) all they heare, see, read, to themselves; as ^e *Felix Plater* notes of some yong Physitians, that studying to cure diseases, catch them themselves, & will be sicke, & appropriate all symptomes they find related of others, to their owne persons. Generally of them all, *de inanibus semper conqueruntur, & timent,* saith *Arctius*; they complaine of toyces and feare, ^f without a cause. As really tormented & perplexed for toyces & trifles (such things as they will after laugh at themselves) as if they were most materiall & essentiall matters indeed, worthy to be feared, & will not be satisfied. Pacifie them with one, they are instantly troubled with some other feare, alwayes afraid of something, which they foolishly imagine or conceiue to themselves, troubled in mind vpon every small occasion, still complaining, grievuing, vexing, suspecting, discontent, & cannot be freed so long as melancholy endureth. Yet for all this, as ^g *Iacchimus* notes, in all other things they are wise, stayed, discreet, and doe nothing unbesee-

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² Alius domesticos timet, alius omnes. *Actius.*
^a Alij timent insidias. *Arrel. lib. 1. de morbo cron. cap. 6.*
^b Ille charissimos, hic omnes homines citra discrimen timet.
^c Hic in lucem prodire timet, tenebrasque querit, contra ille caliginosa fugit.
^d Quidam larvas, & malos spiritus ab inimicis veneficis & incantationibus sibi putant obiectari, *Hippocrates.* potionem se veneficam suspensisse putat, & de hac ruere sibi crebro videtur.
Idem Mortalius cap. 21.
^e *Actius lib. 2. & alij.*
^f *Trallianus lib. 1. cap. 16.*

^g *Observat. l. 1.*
Quando is nil nocet, nisi quod mulieribus melancholicis, s. timet tamen, metusque cause nescius, causa est metus. Heinricus Austriaco.
^h *Cap. 15. in 9.*
Rhasis in multis vidi, preter rationem semper aliquid timent, in ceteris tamen optime se gerunt neque aliquid preter dignitatem committunt.

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ming their dignity, person, or place, this foolish, ridiculous and childish feare excepted; which so much, so continually tortures and crucifies their soules, and so long as Melancholy lasteth, cannot be avoided.

^h Alcomarius
cap. 7. *Arctem*
tristes sunt.

Sorrow is that other Character, & inseparable companion, *fidus Achates*, as all Writers witnes, a common symptome, a continuall, & still without any evident cause, ^h *merent omnes, & si roges eos reddere causam, non possunt*, grieving still, but why, they cannot tell: they looke as if they had newly come forth of *Trophonius* den. And though they laugh many times, & seeme to be extraordinary merry (as they will by fits) yet extreme lumpish againe in an instant, dull & heavy, *semel & simul*, merry and sad, but most part sad.

ⁱ Mart. Egl. 1.

^h Ovid. Met. 4.

ⁱ In quibus
mors.

ⁱ *Si qua placent, abeunt; inimica tenacius herent*, sorrow stickes by them still, continually gnawing, as the vulture did ^h *Titius* bowels, and they cannot avoide it. No sooner are their eyes open, but after terrible and troublesome dreames, their heavy hearts beginne to sigh: they are still fretting, chafing, *He autem timor umenoi*, vexing themselves, ⁱ *disquieted in mind*, with restless, vnquiet thoughts, discontent, either for their owne, other mens, or publicke affaires, such as concerne them not, things past. *Lugubris* *Arctem* frownes vpon them, in so much, that *Arctem* well calls it, *angorem animi*, a vexation of the mind. They can hardly be pleased, or eased, though in other mens opinion most happy, goe, tarry, run, ride, ^m *post equitem sedet a. r. cura*: they cannot avoide this ferall plague, let them come in what company they will, ⁿ *heret lateri letalis arundo*, as a Deere that is struck, the griefe remaines: the feare, torture, care, cloudie suspicion, &c: and they cannot be relieved.

^m Hor. l. 3. ode 1

ⁿ Virg.

^o Mened. He-
autont. Act. 1.
sc. 1.

So ^o he complained in the Poet.

*Domum reverter maestus, atq; animo ferè
Perturbato, atq; incerto praegritudine,
Adfido, occurrunt servi soccos detrahunt:
Video alios festinare, lectos sternere,
Caenam apparare, pro se quisq; sedulo
Faciebant; quo illam lenirent miseriam.*

Tedium vite.

^p Alcomarius.

^q Seneca.

He came home sorrowfull, and troubled in his mind, his seruants did all they possibly could to please him; one pulled of his socks, another made ready his bed, another his supper, all did their vtmost endeavours to ease his griefe, & to exhilarate him, but he was profoundly melancholy, he had lost his sonne, *illud angebat*, his paine could not be remoued. Hence it proceeds many times, that they are weary of their liues, *tedium vite* is a common symptome. *tarda fluunt, ingrataq; tempora*, they are soone tired with all things; they will now tarry, now begone; now pleased, then againe displeased; now they like, by and by dislike all, weary of all, *sequitur nunc vivendi, nunc moriendi cupido*, saith *Aurelianus*, lib. 1. cap. 6. but most part *p vitam damnant*, discontent, disquieted, perplexed vpon euery light, or no occasion, object: often tempted to make away themselves; ^q *Vivere nolunt, mori nesciunt*; they cannot die, they will not liue; they complaine, weepe, & lament, & thinke they lead a most miserable life, especially if they be alone, idle, & parted from their ordinary company, or molested, displeased, prouoked: griefe, feare, discontent, suspicion, or some such passion forcibly seizeth on them. Yet by-and-by when they come in company againe, which they like, or be pleased, *suam sententiam rursus damnant, & vita solatio delectantur*, as *Obstaculus* *Horatius* *nus*

mus obserues *lib. 2. cap. 5.* they condemne their former dislike, and are well pleased to liue. And so they continue, till with some fresh discontent they be molested againe, and then they are weary of their liues, they will dye, and shew rather a necessity to liue, then a desire. *Iul. Caesar Claudinus consil. 84.* had a *Polonian* to his Patient, so affected, that through feare and sorrow, with which hee was still disquieted, hated his owne life, wished for death euery moment, and to be freed of his misery.

Suspition, and *Ielousie*, are generall Symptomes: they are commonly distrustfull, apt to mistake, *facile irascibiles*,¹ testy, pettish, peeuish, and ready to snarle vpon euery small occasion, *cum amici simis*, and without a cause, *datum vel non datum*, it will be *scandalum acceptum*. If two talke together, and whisper, jest, or tell a tale in generall, hee thinks presently they meane him, applies all to himselfe, -- *de se putat omnia dici*. Or if they talke with him, he is ready to misconster euery word they speak, & interpret it to the worst, he cannot endure any man to looke stedily on him, speake to him almost, laugh, jest, or be familiar, or hem, or point, cough, or spit, or make a noyse sometimes &c.² He thinks they laugh, or point at him, or doe it in disgrace of him, circumvent him, contemne him; he is pale, red, sweats for feare and anger, lest some body should obserue him. He workes vpon it, and long after, this false conceipt of an abuse, troubles him. *Montanus consil. 22.* giues instance in a melancholy Jew, that was so waspish and suspitious, *tam facile iratus*, that no man could tell how to carry himselfe in his company.

¹ *Luget & semper tristatur, solitudinem amat, mortem sibi precatur, vitam propriam odio habet.*

² *Suspition. Iealousie. Facile in iram incidunt. Aret. Ira sine causa velociter irascitur. Savanarola pract. maior. Velocitas irae signum. Avicenna lib. 3. Fen. 1. Tract. 4. cap. 18. Anger sine causa.*

³ *Suspitio, diffidentia, symptomatica. Crato epist. Iulio. Alexandrino consil. 185. Scoltizii. Inconstancy.*

Inconstant they are in all their actions, vnapt to resolute of any businesse, they will, and will not, perswaded to and fro vpon euery small occasion, or word spoken: and yet if once they be resolute, obstinate, hard to be reconciled. If they abhorre, dislike, or distaste, if once settled, though to the better by oddes, by no counsell or perswasion to be remoued. Yet in most things wauering, vnable to deliberate, through feare, *faciunt, & mox facti paenitet (Aretius) avari, & paulo post prodigi*. Now prodigall, and then covetous; they doe, and by-and-by repent them of that which they haue done, soon weary, and still seeking change, erected and dejected in an instant; animated to undertake, and vpon a word spoken againe discouraged.

Extremely *Passionate*, *Quicquid volunt, valde volunt*; and what they desire, they doe most furiously seeke: envious, malicious, covetous, muttering, repining discontent, peeuish, *iniuriarum tenaces*, prone to revenge, and most violent in all their Imaginations, not affable in speech, or apt to vulgar complement, but surly, dull, sad, austere; held therefore by some, soft, sottish, or halfe mad, as the *Abderites* esteemed of *Democritus*: and yet of a deep reach, excellent apprehension, iudicious, wise and witty: for I am of that Noble mans minde, *Melancholy advanceth mens conceits, more then any humour whatsoeuer*. They are of profound iudgment in some things, although in others, *non recte iudicant inquieti*, saith *Fracastrorius lib. 2. de Intell.* And as *Arctulanus, cap. 16. in 9. Rbafis*, tearmes it, *Iudicium plerumq. perversum, corruptum cum iudicant honesta, inhonesta; & amicitiam habent pro inimicitia*: They count honesty, dishonesty; friends as enemies; they will abuse their best friends, and dare not offend their enemies. Cowards most part, *& ad inferendam iniuriam timidissimi*, saith *Cardan lib. 8. cap. 40. de rerum varietat.* Loth to offend; and if they chance to ouer-shoot themselves in word, or deed, they

⁴ *L. Howard cap. 7. differ.*

they are miserably tormented, and frame a thousand dangers and inconveniences to themselves, *ex muscâ elephantum*, if once they conceit it: Yet again, many of them desperat hairebraines, rash, carelesse, fit to be Assassinated, as being void of all Feare and Sorrow, according to † *Hercules de Saxoniâ*, Most audacious, and such as dare walke alone in the night, through desarts and dangerous places, fearing none. They are prone to loue, and ^x easie to be taken. Propensi ad amorem & excarescentiam. (Montaltus cap.21) quickly inamored, and dote vpon all; loue one dearely, till they see another, and then dote on her, Et hanc, & hanc, & illâ, & omnes. Yet some again cannot endure the sight of a woman, abhorre the sexe, as that same melancholy † Duke of Muscovy, that was instantly sicke, if he came but in sight of them: and that † Anchorite, that fell into a cold pallsie, when a woman was brought before him.

Humorous they are beyond all measure, multa absurda fingunt, & à ratione aliena, (saith † *Frambesarius*) they faigne many absurdities, void of reason: one supposeth himselfe to be a Dog, Cock, Beare, Horse, Glasse, Butter &c. He is a Giant, a Dwarf, as strong as an hundred men, a Lord, Duke, Prince, &c. And if he be told he hath a stinking breath, a great nose, that he is sick, or inclined to such or such a disease, he beleues it eftsloones, and by force of Imagination, will worke it out. Many of them are immouable, and fixed in their conceits, others vary vpon euery object, heard or seene. If they see a Stage-play, they run vpon that a weeke after, if they heare Musick, or see dancing, they haue nought but Bag-pipes in their Braine; if they see a combat, they are all for armes. ^a If abused, an abuse troubles them long after, if crossed, that crosse &c. Restlesse in their thoughts, and continually meditating, *Velut agri somnia, vana Finguntur species*. More like dreamers, then men awake, *cogitationes somniantibus similes, id vigilant, quod alij somniant cogitabundi*. Still, saith *Avicenna*, they wake, as others dreame, and such for the most part are their Imaginations and conceits, ^b absurd, vaine, foolish toys, yet they are ^c most curious and sollicitous continuall, & *supra modum, Rhafis cont. lib.1. cap.9. prameditantur de aliquâ re*. As serious in a toy, as if it were a most necessary busines, of great moment, and still, still, still thinking of it: *sauiunt in se*, macerating themselves. Though they do talke with you, & seem to be otherwise imployed, & to your thinking, very intent & busie, still that toy runnes in their mind, that feare, that suspicion, that abuse, that vexation, that castle in the ayre, that pleasant waking dreame whatsoeuer it is. *Nec interrogant* (saith ^d *Fracastrorius*) *nec interrogatis rectè respondent*, They do not much heed what you say, their mind is on another matter; aske what you will, they do not attend. Tis proper to all melancholy men, saith ^e *Mercurialis cõsil. 11. What conceit they haue once entertained, to be most intent, violent, and continually about it. Inuitis occurrit*, doe what they may, they cannot be rid of it, against their wills they must thinke of it a thousand times ouer, *Perpetuò molestantur, nec obliuisci possunt*, they are continually troubled with it, in company, out of company; at meat, at exercise, at all times & places, † *non desinunt ea, quæ minimè volunt, cogitare*, if it be offensiue especially, they cannot forget it.

† *Tract. de mel. cap.2. Nocti ambulant per silvas, & loca periculosa, neminem timent.*

^x Facile amant. *Alton.*

Amorous.

† *Bodine.*

^z *Io Maior. vitæ patrum. f.1. 202. Paulus*

Abbas Eremita, tantâ solitudine perseuerat, ut nec vestem, nec vultum mulieris ferre possit, &c.

Humorous.

† *Consil. lib.1. 17. Consil.*

^a Generally as they are pleased or displeased, so are their continual cogitations, pleasing, or displeasing.

^b *Omnes exercent vane, in te, & animi cogitationes*

(*Nic. Pi. Bruel*) *& assidue.*

^c *Curijs de rebus minimis.*

Areteus.

^d *Lib. 2. de Intel.*

^e *Hoc melancholicis omnibus proprium, ut quas semel Imaginationes valde receperint, non facile reijciant, sed he etiam vel inuitis semper occurrant.*

† *Tullius de sen.*

† *Consil. 43.*

^z *Cap. 5.*

Bathus inesse.

† *Crato, & Laurentius, and Fernelius*, put bashfulnesse for an ordinary symptome, *subrusticus pudor*, or *vitiosus pudor*, is a thing which much haunts and torments

torments them, though some on the other side (according to ^hErastorius) be *inverecundi & pertinaces*, impudent and peevisht. Most part they are very shamefast: & that makes them with *Pet. Blesensis, Christopher Vrswick*, and many such, to refuse honours, offices, & preferments, which sometimes fall into their mouthes, they cannot speak or put forth themselves as others can, *timor hos, pudor impedit illos*, timorousnesse and bashfulnesse hinder their proceedings. For that cause they seldome visite their friends, except some familiars: *pauciloqui*, of few words, & sometimes wholly silent, [†]*Frambesarius* a Frenchman, had two such Patients, *omnino taciturnos*, their friends could not get them to speake: of small, or no complement, vnsociable, hard to be acquainted with, especially of strangers; they had rather write their mindes, then speake, and aboue all things loue *Solitarinesse*. *Ob voluptatem, an ob timorem soli sunt?* Are they so solitary for pleasure (one asks) or paine? for both: yet I rather thinke for feare and sorrow &c.

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^h Lib. 2. de Jure[†] Consult. 29. & 16. lib. 1.

Solitarinesse.

[†] Virg. En. 6.^h Pl. 3.

ⁱ *Hinc metuunt, cupiuntq; dolent, fugiuntq; nec aut as
Respicunt clausi tenebris, & carcere ceco.*

Hence 'tis they griue and feare, avoiding light,
And shut themselves in prison darke from sight,

As *Bellerophon* in ^h*Homer*.

*Qui miser in sylvis marens errabat opacis,
Ipse suum cor edens, hominum vestigia vitans.*

That wandered in the woods sad all alone,

Forfaking mens society, making great moane.

They delight in woods and waters, desert places, to walke alone in orchards, Gardens, private walkes, backe-lanes, averse from company, as *Diogenes* in his tub, or *Timon Misanthropus*, they abhorre all company at last, euen their neereft acquaintance, and most familiar friends, confining themselves wholly to their Chambers, *fugiant homines sine causa* (saith *Rhasis*) & odio habent, *cont. lib. 1. cap. 9*. It was one of the chiefest reasons, why the Citizens of *Abdera* suspected *Democritus* to be melancholy and mad; because that as *Hippocrates* related in his Epistle to *Philopæmenes*, ^m he forsooke the Citty, and liued in groues and hollow trees, or upon a greene banke by a brooke side, or confluence of waters all day long, and all night. *Que quidem* (saith he) *plurimum atrabile vexata, & melancholicis eveniunt, deserta frequentant, hominumq; congressum averfantur.* ⁿ Which is an ordinary thing with melancholy men. The *Egyptians* therefore in their *Hieroglyphickes*, expressed a melancholy man by a Hare sitting in her forme, as being a most timorous and solitary creature, *Pierius Hieroglyph. lib. 12*. But this, and all precedent symptomes, are more or lesse apparent, as the humor is intended or remitted, hardly perceived in some, or not at all, most manifest in others. To speake in a word, there is nothing so vaine, absurd, ridiculous, extravagant, impossible, incredible, so monstrous a Chymera, so prodigious and strange, ^o such as Painters and Poets durst not attempt, which they will not really feare, faine, suspect, and imagine vnto themselves: All extreames, contrarieties, and contradictions, and that in infinite varieties, *Melancholici plane incredibilia sibi persuadent, ut vix omnibus seculis duo reperti sint, qui idem imaginati sint*, *Erastus de Lamys*. Scarfe two of two thousand, that concur in the same symptomes; but as in a Riuer we swimme in the same place, though not in the same num-

ⁱ Si malum exasperatur, homines odio habent, & solitaria petunt.

^m Democritus solet noctes & dies apud se degere, plerumq; autem in speluncis, sub amenis arborum umbris, vel in tenebris, & mollibus herbis, vel ad aquarum crebra, & quæta fluctuantia, &c.

ⁿ Gaudet tenebris, aliturq; dolor.

^o Ps. 62. Vigilaui & factus sum velut nyctivora in domicilio, passer solitarius in templo.

^o Et qua vix audet fabula monstrare parit.

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mericall water: as the same Instrument affordes severall lessons, so the same disease yeeldes diuersity of symptomes; which howsoeuer they bee diuerse, intricate, and hard to be confined, I will adventure yet in such a vast confusion and generality, to bring them into some order, and so descend to particulars.

SVBSEC. 3.

*Particular Symptomes from the influence of Starres,
Parts of the Body, and Humours.*

SOME men haue peculiar Symptomes, according to their temperament and *Crisis*, which they haue from the Starres and those celestiaall influences, variety of wits and dispositions, as *Anthony Zara* contends, *Anat. ingen. sect. 1. memb. 11. 12. 13. 14. plurimum irritant influentia celestes, unde cidentur animi aggritudines & morbi corporum.* ^p One saith, diuerse diseases of the body and minde proceed from their influences, ^r as I haue already proued out of *Ptolomy*, *Pontanus*, *Lemnius*, *Cardan*, and others, as they are principall significators of maners, diseases, mutually irradiated, or Lords of the geniture, &c. *Ptolomeus* in his centiloquy, or *Hermes*, or whosoever else the author of that Tract, attributes all these symptomes, which are in melancholy men, to celestiaall influences: which opinion *Mercurialis de affect. lib. 1. cap. 16.* reiects; but as I say, ^s *Iovianus Pontanus*, and others stily defend. That some are solitary, dull, heavy, churlish: some againe blith, buxome, light, and merry, they ascribe wholly to the starres. As if *Saturne* be predominant in his natiuity, and cause Melancholy in his temperature, then ^t hee shall bee very austere, sullen, churlish, blacke of colour, profound in his cogitations, full of cares, miseries, and discontents, sad and fearefull, alwaies silent, solitary, still delighting in husbandry, in Woods, Orchards, Gardens, Riuer, Ponds, Pooles, darke walkes and close: *Cogitationes sunt velle adificare, velle arbores plantare, agros colere, &c.* Catch Birds, Fishes, &c. and stil contriuing and meditating of such matters. If *Iupiter* domineirs, they are more ambitious, still meditating of kingdomes, magistracies, offices, honors, or that they are Princes, Potentates, and how they would carry themselves, &c. If *Mars*, they are all for warres, braue combats, Monomachies, testy, cholericke, harebraine, rash, furious, and violent in their actions. They wil faine themselves Victors, Commanders, are passionate and satyricall in their speeches, great braggers, ruddy of colour. If the *Sunne* they will be Lords, Emperours, in conceipt at least, & Monarchs, giue Offices, Honours, &c. If *Venus*, they are still courting of their mistresses & most apt to loue, amorously giuen, they seeme to heare musicke, plaies, see fine pictures, dancers, merriments, and the like: Euer in loue, and dote on all they see. *Mercurialists* are solitary, much in contemplation, subtile, Poets, Philosophers, and musing most part about such matters. If the *Moone* haue a hand, they are all for peregrinations, sea voyages, much affected with trauels, to discourse, read, meditate of such things; wandering in their thoughts, diuers, much delighted in waters, to fish, fowle, &c.

But the most immediate Symptomes proceed from the Temperature it selfe, and the Organicall parts, as Head, Liuer, Spleene, Meferiacke Veines, Heart,

^p Velc. 1. 4. c. 5.^r Sect. 2. memb.^s Subf. 4.^s De reb. celest.

lib. 10. cap. 13.

^t J. de Indagi-
ne, Goclenius.

Heart, Wombe, Stomacke, &c. and most especially from distemperature of Spirits (which as *† Herc. de Saxonia* contends, are wholly immaterial) or from the foure humours in those seats whether they bee hot or cold, naturall, vnnaturall, innate or aduentitious, intended or remitted, simple or mixt, and their diuerse mixtures, and seuerall adustions, combinations, which may bee as diuersly varied, as those ^u foure first qualities in ** Clavius*, and produce as many seuerall Symptomes and monstrous fictions as wine doth effects, which as *Andreas Bachius* obserues *lib. 3. de vino cap. 20.* are infinite. Those of greater note be these.

If it be naturall Melancholy, as *T. Bright cap. 16.* hath largely described, either of the Spleene, or of the veines, faulty by excesse of quantity, or thicknes of substance, it is a cold and dry humour, as *Montanus* affirms *consil. 26.* the parties are sad, timorous, and fearefull. *Prosper Calenus* in his booke *de atrabile* will haue them to be more stupid then ordinary, cold, heavy, dull, solitary, sluggish, *Si multam atram bilem & frigidam habent.* *Hercules de Saxonia cap. 16. lib. 7.* will haue these that are naturally melancholy, to be of a leaden colour or blacke, and so will *Guianerius cap. 3. tract. 15.* and such as thinke themselves dead many times, if it be in excesse. These Symptomes vary according to the mixture of those foure humours adust, which is vnnaturall Melancholy. For as *Trallianus* hath written *cap. 16. lib. 7.* ² There is not one cause of this Melancholy, nor one humour which begets it, but diuers diuersly intermixt, from whence proceeds this varietie of Symptomes. And those varying againe as they are hot or cold. ^a Cold Melancholy (saith *Benedic. Vittorius Faustinus tract. mag.*) is a cause of dotage, and more milde Symptomes, if hote or more adust, of more violent passions, and furies. *Pracastorius lib. 2. de intellectu*, will haue vs to consider well of it, ^b with what kinde of Melancholy every one is troubled, for it much auailles to knowe it, one is enraged by seruent heat, another is possessed by sad and cold, one is fearefull, shamefast, the other impudent and bold. As *Ajax, Arma rapit superosq; furens in praelia poscit*: quite mad or tending to madness. *Nunc hos nunc impetit illos.* *Bellerophon* on the other side, *solis erat male sanus in agris*, wanders alone in the woods, one despaires, weepes, and is weary of his life, another laughes, &c. All which varietie proceeds from the seuerall degrees of heat and cold, which *† Hercules de Saxonia* will haue wholly proceed from the distemperature of spirits alone, animall especially, and those immateriall, the next and immediate causes of Melancholy, as they are hot, colde, dry, moist, and from their agitation proceeds that diuersity of Symptomes, which he reckons vp, in the *† 13. cap.* of his Tract of Melancholy, and that largely through every part. Others will haue them come from the diuers adustion of the foure humours, which in this vnnaturall melancholy, by corruption of blood, adust choler, or melancholy naturall, ^c by excessive distemper of heat, turned in comparison of the naturall, into a sharpe lye by force of adustion, cause according to the diuersitie of their matter, diuerse and strange Symptomes, which *T. Bright* reckons vp in his following chapter. So doth ^d *Arculanus*, according to the foure principall humours adust, and many others.

For example, if it proceed from fleagme, (which is seldome and not so frequent as the rest) ^e it stirres vp dull Symptomes, and a kinde of stupidity, or impassionate hurt: they are sleepy, saith ^f *Sauanorola*, dull, slow, cold, bloc-

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† Tract. 7. de Melan.

Humidum, calidum, frigidum, siccum.

** Com. in 1. cap. Iohannis de Sabotico.*

† Si residet melancholia naturalis, tales plumbi coloris aut nigri, stupidi, solitarii.

2 Non una melancholia causa est, nec unus humor vni parens sed plures, & alius aliter mutatus, unde non omnes eadem sentiunt symptomata.

a Humor frigidus delirii causa humor calidus furoris.

b Multum refert quid quisq; melancholia teneatur, tunc feruens & accensa agitat, illum trisus & si gens occu pat, hi timidi, illi inuerecundi, intrepidi, &c.

† Cap. 7. & 8. Tract. de Mel.

2 Signa melancholiae ex intemperie & agitatione spirituum sine materia.

c T. Bright. cap. 16. Treat. Mel.

d Cap. 16. in 9. Rhafis.

e Bright. c. 16.

f Pract. maior. Somnians, piger, frigidus.

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² De anima.
cap. de humor: si
à phlegmate
semper in aquis
feresunt & cir-
ca fluvios, plo-
rant multum,
&c.

³ Pigra nascitur
ex colore pallido
& albo, Hercu-
de Saxonia.

⁴ Savanarola.

⁵ Muos cade-
re in se, aut sub-
mergi timent,
cum torpore &
segritie, & flu-
vios amant tales
Alexand. cap.

16. lib. 1.

⁶ Semper ferè
dormit somno-
lenta. cap. 16.

lib. 7.

⁷ Laurentius

⁸ Cap. 6. de mel.

Si à sanguine

venit rubedo o-

culorum & faci-

ei, plurimus vi-

sus.

⁹ Vene oculo-

rum sunt rubre

vide an precesse-

rit vira & argo-

matum usus &

frequentem balne-

um. Trallianus,

lib. 1. 16. an pre-

cesserit mora

sub sole

¹⁰ Ridet patiens

si à sanguine pu-

tat se videre

choreas, muscā

audire ludos &c.

¹¹ Cap. 2. Tract.

de Melan.

¹² Hor. epist. lib.

2. quidam haud

ignobilis Argis,

&c.

¹³ Lib. de reb.

mir.

¹⁴ Cum inter con-

tionandum mi-

lier dormiens è

subsellio caderet,

& omnes reliqui

qui id viderent,

viderent, tribus

post diebus, &c.

¹⁵ Insania leta.

¹⁶ Iuvenis ingenii & non vulgaris eruditionis

kish, asse-like, *Asininam melancholiam*, *S. Melancthon* calls it, they are much gi-
ven to weeping, and delight in waters, ponds, pooles, riuers, fishing, fowling,
&c. (*Arnoldus breuiar. 1. cap. 18*) They are ^h pale of colour, slowe, apt to
sleepe, heavy, much troubled with head-ach, continuall meditation, and
muttering to themselues, they dreame of waters, ^k that they are in danger of
drowning, and feare such things, *Rhasis*. They are fatter then others that are
melancholy, paler, of a muddy complexion, apter to spit, ^l sleep, more trou-
bled with rheume then the rest, and haue their eyes still fixed on the ground.
Such a patient had *Hercules de Saxoniâ*, a widdowe in *Venice*, that was fatte
and very sleepey still. *Christophorus à Vega* another affected in the same
fort. If it be inveterate or violent, the Symptomes are more evident, they
plainely dote and are ridiculous to others, in all their gestures, actions, spee-
ches: Imagining impossibilities, as he in *Christophorus à Vega*, that thought
he was a tunne of wine, ^m and that *Siennois*, that resolued with himselfe not
to pisse, for feare he should drowne all the towne.

If it proceed from blood adust, or that there bee a mixture of blood in it,
ⁿ such are commonly ruddy of complexion, and high coloured, according to *Sal-*
lust. Saluianus, and *Hercules de Saxoniâ*. And as *Savanarola Vintorius Fau-*
tinus Emper. farther adde, ^o the veines of their eyes bee red, as well as their fa-
ces. They are much inclined to laughter, witty and merry, conceipted in dis-
course, pleasant, if they be not farre gone, much giuen to musicke, dancing,
and to be in womens company. They meditate wholly on such things, and
thinke ^p they see or heare plaies, dancing, and such like sports (free from al feare
and sorrow, as *Hercules de Saxoniâ* supposeth.) If they be more strongly pos-
sessed with this kinde of melancholy, *Arnoldus* addes, *Breuiar. lib. 1. cap. 18*.
Like him of *Argus* in the ^q Poet, that sate laughing all day long, as if he had
beene at a Theatre. Such another is mentioned by ^r *Aristotle*, living at *Aby-*
dos a towne of *Asia minor*, that would sit after the same fashion, as if hee had
beene vpon a stage, and sometimes act himselfe, sometimes clap his handes,
and laugh, as if he had beene well pleased with the sight. *Wolsius* relates of a
country fellow called *Brunselius*, subiect to this humour, ^s That being by
chance at a sermon, saw a woman fall off from a forme halfe asleepe, at which ob-
iect most of the company laughed, but he for his part, was so much moued, that for
three whole dayes after he did nothing but laugh, by which meanes he was much
weakned, and worse a long time following. Such a one was old *Sophocles*, and
Democritus himselfe had hilare delirium, much in this vaine. *Laurentius cap.*
3. de melan. thinkes this kind of melancholy, which is a little adust with some
mixture of blood, to be that which *Aristotle* meant, when he said melancho-
ly men of all others are most witty, which causeth many times a diuine ra-
vishment, and a kinde of *Enthusiasmus*, which stirreth them vp to bee excel-
lent Philosophers, Poets, Prophets, &c. *Mercurialis consil. 110.* giues instance
in a young man his patient, sanguine melancholy, ^t of a great wit, and excel-
lently learned.

If it arise from choler adust, they are bold and impudent, and of a more
hairebraine disposition, ^x apt to quarrell, and thinke of such things, battles,
combats, of their manhood, furious, impatient in discourse, stiffe, irrefraga-
ble and prodigious in their tenents, and if they be moued, most violent, out-

^u Iuuenis ingenii & non vulgaris eruditionis * Si à cholerâ, furibundi, interficiunt se & alios, putant se videre pugnas.

ragious

ragious, ready to disgrace, provoke any, to kill themselves and others; *Arnoldus* addes, starke mad by fits, they sleepe little, their urine is subtil and fiery. (*Guianerius*.) In their fits you shall heare them speake all manner of languages, Hebrew, Greeke and Latine, that neuer were taught or knewe them before. *Ap-ponenfis* in com. in 1. Prob. sec. 30. speaks of a mad woman that spake excellent good Latine; and *Rhasis* knewe another, that could prophecy in her fit, and foretell things truely to come. *Guianerius* had a patient could make Latin verses when the Moone was combust; otherwise illiterate. *Avicenna* and some of his adherents will haue these symptomes, when they happen, to proceed from the diuell, and that they are rather *demoniaci*, possessed, then mad or melancholy, or both together, as *Iason Pratenfis* thinkes. *Immiscense mali genij*, &c. but most ascribe it to the humour, which opinion *Montaltus* cap. 21. stiffly maintaines, confuting *Avicenna* & the rest, referring it wholly to the quality and disposition of the humour and subiect. *Cardan de rerum var. lib. 8. cap. 10.* holds these men of all other fit to bee *Assassinats*, bold, hardy, fierce, and aduenterous, to vndertake any thing by reason of their choler adust. ^a This humour, saith he, prepares them to endure death it selfe, and all manner of torments with invincible courage, and 'tis a wonder to see with what alacrity they will undergoe such tortures, ut supra naturam res videatur: hee ascribes this generosity, fury, or rather stupidity, to this adustion of choller and melancholy: but I take these rather to be mad or desperate, then properly melancholy: for commonly this humour so adust and hot, degenerats into madnesse.

If it come from melancholy it selfe adust, those men, saith *Avicenna*, ^b are usually sad and solitary, and that continually, and in excesse, more then ordinary suspicious, more fearefull, and haue long, sore, and most corrupt Imaginations; cold and blacke, bathfull, and so solitary, that as *Arnoldus* writes, They will endure no company, they dream of graues still, and dead men, & think themselves bewitched or dead: if it be extreame, they thinke they heare hideous noyses, see and talke ^d with blacke men, and conuerse familiarly with Diuells, & such strange Chimeras and visions; (*Gordonius*) or that they are possessed by them, that some body talkes to them, or within them. *Tales melancholici plerumq. demoniaci*, *Montaltus* consil. 26. ex *Avicenna*. *Valescus de Taranta*, had such a woman in cure; ^c that thought euery night she had to doe with the Diuell: and *Gentilis Fulgosus* quest. 55. writes, that hee had a melancholy friend, that ^e had a blacke man in the likenesse of a souldier, still following him wherefoeuer he was: *Laurentius* cap. 7. hath many stories of such as haue thought themselves bewitched by their enimies; and some that would eat no meat as being dead. ^g Anno 1550 an Advocate of *Paris* fell into such a melancholy fit, that he believed verily he was dead, hee could not bee perswaded otherwise, or to eat or drinke, till a kinsman of his, a Scholler of *Bourges* did eat before him, dressed like a corse. This story, saith *Serres*, was acted in a Comcedy before *Charles* the ninth. Some thinke they are beasts, wolues, hogges, and cry like dogges, foxes, bray like asses, and low like kine, as *King Pratus* daughters. ^h *Hildesheim* spiegl. 2. de *Mania*, hath an example of a dutch Baron so affected, and *Trincavelius* lib. 1. consil. 11. another of a Nobleman in his country, ⁱ that thought he was certainly a beast, and would imitate most of their voices, with many such Symptomes, which may properly

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¹ Vrina subtilis & ignea parum dormiunt.

² Tract. 15. c. 4.

^a Ad hec perpetranda furore rapti ducuntur, cruciatus quosvis tolerant, & mortem, & furore exacerbato audent & ad supplicia plus irascuntur, minus est, quantum debeant in tormentis patientiam.

^b Tales plus ceteris timent, & continue tristantur, valde suspiciosi, multitudinem diligunt, corruptissimas habent imaginationes, &c.

^c Si a melancholia adusta, tristes, de sepulchris somniant, timent ne f. sciuntur, putant se mortuos, aspici nolunt.

^d Videntur sibi videre monachos nigros & demones, & suspensos & mortuos.

^e Quavis nocte se cum demone coire putavit.

^f Semper fere vidisse militem nigrum presentem.

^g Anthony de Verdeur.

^h Quidam mugitus bouum emulantur, & per coram se putant, ut Preti filia.

ⁱ Baro quidam mugitus bouum & rugitus asinorum, & aliorum animalium voces effingit.

170 be reduced to this kinde.

If it proceed from the feuerall combinations of these foure humours, or spirits, *Herc. de Sax.* addes, hot, cold, dry, moist, darke, confused, seled, constringed, as it participates of matter, or is without matter, the symptomes are likewise mixt. One thinks himselfe a giant, another a dwarfe; one is heavy as lead, another is as light as a feather. *Marcellus Donatus lib. 2. cap. 41.* makes mention out of *Seneca*, of one *Senecio* a rich man, ¹ that thought him-

¹ *Omnia magna putabat, uxorem magnam, gradus equos, abhorruit omnia parua, magna focula, & calceamenta pedibus maiora.*

² *Lib. 1. cap. 16. putavit se uno digito posse totum mundum continere.*

³ *Sustinet humeris cælum cum Atlante.*

⁴ *Alii celi ruinam timeant.*

⁵ *Cap. 1. Tract. 15. alius se galum putat, alius luciniam.*

⁶ *Trallianus.*

⁷ *Cap. 7. de mel.*

⁸ *Anthony Ver-*

duer.

⁹ *Cap. 7. de mel.*

selfe and every thing else he had, great: great wife, great horses, could not abide little things, but would haue great pots to drinke in, and great hose, and great shoes bigger then his feet. Like her in ¹ *Trallianus*, that thought she could shake all the world with her finger, and was afraid to clinch her hand together, lest shee should crush the world like an apple in peeces: or him in *Galen*, that thought he was ^m *Atlas*, and sustained heauen with his shoulders. Another thinks himselfe so little, that hee can creepe into a mousehole: one feares heauen will fall on his head, one is a Cock, and such a one ⁿ *Guanerius* saith, he saw at *Padua*, that would clap his hands together, and crowe. ^o Another thinks he is a Nightingale, and therefore sings all night long: another hee is all glasse, a pitcher, and will therefore let no body come neere him, and such a one [†] *Laurentius* giues out vpon his credit, that he knewe in *France*. *Christophorus a Vega lib. 3. cap. 14.* *Skenkius* and *Marcellus Donatus lib. 2. cap. 1.* haue many such examples, and one amongst the rest of a Baker in *Farrara*, that thought hee was composed of butter, and durst not sit in the sunne, or come neere a fire, for feare of being melted: of another that thought he was a case of leather, stuffed with winde. Some laugh, weepe, &c. Some haue a corrupt eare, eyes, some sinelling: some one sense, some another. *P. Lewes* the eleuenth had a conceipt euery thinge did stinke about him, all the odoriferous perfumes they could get, would not ease him, but still he smelled a filthy stinke. A melancholy French Poet in ⁹ *Laurentius*, being sicke of a fever, and troubled with waking, by his Physitians was appointed to vse *unguentum populeum* to anoint his temples; but he so distasted the smel of it, that for many yeares after, all that came neere him he imagined to sent of it, and would let no man talke with him but aloofe off, or weare any new clothes, because he thought still they smelled of it; in all other things, wise and discreet, and would talke sensibly, saue onely in this. A Gentleman in *Lymosen*, saith *Anthony Verdeur*, was perswaded he had but one legge, affrighted by a wild boare, that by chance stroke him on the legge: he could not be satisfied his legge was sound (in all other things well) vntill two *Franciscans* by chance comming that way, fully remoued him from that conceipt. *Sed abunde fabularum audiuimus.*

SVESAC. 4.

Education, custome, continuance of time, condition, mixt with other diseases, by fits, inclination, &c.

² *Laurentius cap. 6.*

A Nother great occasion of the variety of these symptomes, proceeds from custome, discipline, education, and feuerall inclination. ² *This humour will imprint in melancholy men the objects most answerable*

so their condition of life, and ordinary actions, and dispose men according to their severall studies and callings. If any ambitious man become melancholy, he forthwith thinkes he is a King, an Emperour, a Monarch, & walkes alone, pleasing himselfe with a vaine hope of some future preferments, or present as he supposeth, and withall acts a Lords part, takes vpon him to bee some statesman or magnifico, makes congies, giues entertainment, lookes bigge, &c. *Francisco Sanfovino* records of a melancholy man in *Cremona*, that would not be induced to beleue, but that he was *Pope*, gaue pardons, made Cardinals, &c. *Christophorus à Vega* makes mention of another of his acquaintance, that thought he was a King driven from his kingdom, and was very anxious to recouer his estate. A couerous person is still conversant about purchasing of lands and tenements, plotting in his minde how to compasse such and such Manors, as if hee were already Lord of, and able to goe through with it; all he sees is his, *re* or *spe*, hee hath devoured it in hope, or else in conceipt esteemes it his owne; like him in *Athenaus*, that thought all the ships in the Haven to be his owne. A lasciuious *inamorato*, plots all the day long to please his mistresse, acts and struts, and carries himselfe as if she were in presence, still dreaming of her, as *Pamphilus* of his *Glycerium*, or as some doe in their morning sleep. *Marcellus Donatus* knewe such a Gentlewoman in *Mantua*, called *Eleonora Meliorina*, that constantly beleued she was married to a King, and *x* would kneele downe and talke with him, as if he had beene there present with his associats, and if she had found by chance a peece of glasse in a muck-hill, or in the street; shee would say that it was a Jewell sent from her Lord and husband. If devout and religious, he is all for fasting, prayer, ceremonies, almes, interpretations, visions, prophecies, revelations, y hee is inspired by the holy Ghost, full of the Spirit: one while hee is saued, another while damned, or still troubled in minde for his sinnes, &c. more of these in the third Partition, of *Loue Melancholy*. *z* A Schollers mind is busied about his studies, he applaudes himselfe for that hee hath done, or hopes to doe, one while fearing to be out in his next exercise, another while contemning all censures, envies one, emulates another, or else with indefatigable paines and meditation, consumes himselfe. So of the rest, all which vary according to the more remisse, and violent impression of the object, or as the humour it selfe is intended or remitted. For some are so gently melancholy, that in all their carriage, and to the outward apprehension of others, it can hardly be discerned, and yet to them an intolerable burden, and not to be endured. *a* *Quedam occulta, quedam manifesta*, some signes are manifest and obvious to all at all times, some to few, or seldome, or hardly perceaued, let them keepe their owne counsell, none will suspect them. They doe not expresse in outward shew their depraved imaginations, as ** Hercules de Saxoniâ* obserues, but conceale them wholly to themselves, and are very wise men, as I dunt, & sunt viri prudentissimi, quos ego saepe noui cum multi sint sine timore, ut qui se reges & mortuos putant plura signa, quidam habent, pauciora maiora, minora

Lib. 3. c. ap. 14.
qui se regem putavit regno expulsum.

Diprosophist.
lib. Thrasylus putavit omnes naues in Pirum portum appellantes suas esse.
De hist. med. mirab. lib. 2. c. 1.

Genibus flexis loqui cum illo voluit, & adstare iam tum putavit, &c.

Gordonius.
quid sit Prophecia, & inflatus a spiritu sancto.

Qui forensibus causis insudat nil nisi arresta cogitat, & supplices libellos, alius non nisi versus facit.
P. Forestus.

Gordonius.

Verbo non exprimunt, nec opere, sed altâ mente recomdunt, & sunt viri prudentissimi, quos ego saepe noui cum multi sint sine timore, ut qui se reges & mortuos putant plura signa, quidam habent, pauciora maiora, minora

tiens

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^b Trallianus
lib. 1. 16. alii in-
terualla quædā
habent, ut etiā
consueti ad ni-
nistrent, alii in
continuo delirio
sunt, &c.
^c Pragmag.
Vere tantum &
autumno.
^d Lib. de humo-
ribus.
^e Galienus.

tians tertias, quintas, Melancholia &c. all those Geometrical proportions are too little to expresse it. ^b It comes to some by fits, comes & goes, to others it is continue, many (saith ^c Faustinus) in Spring and Fall only are molested, some once a yeere, as that Roman ^d Galen speaks of: ^e one, at the coniunction of the Moone alone, or some vnfortunate Aspects; a second once peradventure in his life, hath a most grievous fit, euen to the extremity of madnes or dotage, & that vpon some ferall accident or perturbation, terrible obiect; & that for a time, neuer so before, neuer after. A third is moued vpon all such troublesome obiects, crosse fortune, disaster & violent passions, otherwise free, once troubled in three or foure yeares. A fourth, if things be to his mind or be in action, is most jocund, and of a good complexion: if idle, carried away wholly with pleasant dreames & phantasies; but if once crossed & displeased, ^f *Pectore concipiet nil nisi triste suo.* his countenance is altered on a sudden, & his heart heavy, irksome thoughts crucifie his soule, & in an instant he is weary of his life. A fift complains in his youth, a sixt in his middle age, the last in his old age.

^f Levinus Lem-
nius, la son Pra-
teritis, blanda ab
initio.

^g Hor.

^h Facilis descen-
sus Aueri,

ⁱ Virg.
^j Corpus cada-
uerosum.
Plal. 67. cariosa
est facies mea
pre ægritudine
anime.
^k Lib. 9. de Al-
mentis.
^l Practica ma-
iore.
^m Quum ore
loquitur quæ
carde concepit,
quum subito de
vniuerso ad aliud
transit, neq; rati-
onem de aliquo
reddidit, tunc est
in medio, atquæ
incipit operari
quæ loquitur, in
summo gradu
est.

Generally thus much we may conclude of all melancholy almost: That it is ^f most pleasant at first, I say, *mentis gratissimus error*, a most delightful humor, to walke alone, meditate, to lye in bed whole dayes, & frame a thousand phantasticall Imaginations vnto themselves. They are neuer better pleased then when they are so doing, they are in Paradise for the time, & cannot well endure to be interrupt, with him in the Poet, — *Epul me occidisti amici, Non servastis ait!* — you haue vndone him, hee complains, if you trouble him: tell him what inconvenience will follow, what will bee the event, all is one, *canis ad vomitum*, ^h 'tis so pleasant, he cannot refraine. Hee may thus continue peradventure many yeares, by reason of a strong temperature, or some mixture of businesse, which may divert his cogitations: but at the last *lesa Imaginatio*, his phantasie is crased, & now habituated to such toyes, cannot but worke still like a fat, the Seane alters vpon a sudden, Feare and Sorrow supplant those pleasing thoughts, suspicion discontent, and perpetuall anxiety succeed in their places, so by little and little, by that shooinghorne of idlenesse, and voluntary solitarinesse, melancholy that ferall fiend is drawn on, & *quantum vertice ad auras Ethereas, tantum radice in Tartara tendit*, it was not so delicious at first, as now it is bitter and harsh, a canker'd soule macerated with cares and discontents, *tadium vite*, impatience precipitate them into vspeakable miseries. They cannot indure company, light, or life it selfe some, vnfit for action, and the like. ⁱ Their bodies are leane and dried vp, withered, vgly, their looks harsh, very dull, and their soules tormented, as they are more or lesse intangled, as the humour hath bene intended, or according to the continuance of time they haue bin troubled.

To discerne all which symptomes the better, ^k Rhasis the Arabian makes three degrees of them. The first is, *falsa cogitatio*, false concepts, and idle thoughts: to misconster, & amplify, agrauating euerything they cōceiue, to feare, &c. The second is, *falso cogitata loqui*, to talke to themselves, or to vse inarticulate, incondite voices, speeches, absolute gestures, and plainly to vtter their mindes and concepts of their hearts by their words; the third is to put in practise that which they thinke or speake. *Sauanorola Rub. 11. tract. 8.*

cap.

cap. 1. de agri tud. cap. confirms as much, ^m when he beginnes to expresse that in words, which he conceales in his heart, or talks idly, or goes from one thinge to another, which ⁿ Gordonius calls, *nec caput habentia, nec caudam*, hee is in the middle way: ^o but when he beginnes to act it likewise, and to put his fopperies in execution, he is then in the extent of melancholy, or madnesse it selfe. This progresse of melancholy you shall easily obserue in them that haue bin so affected, they goe smiling to themselues at first, at length they laugh out; at first solitary, at last they can indure no company: or if they doe, they are now dizards, past sense and shame, quite moped, they care not what they say or doe, all their actions, words, gestures, are furious or ridiculous. At first his mind is troubled, he doth not attend what is said, if you tell him a tale, hee cries at last, what said you? but in the end he mutters to himselfe, as old women doe many times, or old men when they sit alone, vpon a sudden they whoop and hallow, or run away, and sweare they see or heare players, ^p Diuells, Hobgoblins, Ghosts, strike, or strut, &c. grow humorous in the ende: Like him in the Poet, *sapē ducentos, sapē decem seruos*, he will dresse himselfe, and vndresse, carelesse at last, and growes insensible, stupid or mad. ^q Hee howles like a Wolfe, barks like a Dog, and raues like *Ajax & Orestes*, heares Musicke and outcries, which no man else heares. As ^r he did whom *Amatus Lusitanus* mentioneth *cent. 3. cura. 55.* or that woman in *Springer*, that spake many languages, and said she was possessed. That Farmer in *Prosper Calenius*, that disputed and discoursed learnedly in Philosophy and Astronomy, with *Alexander Achilles* his master, at *Boleigne* in *Italy*. But of these I haue already spoken.

Who can sufficiently speake of these symptomes, or prescribe rules to comprehend them? they are so irregular, obscure, *Proteus* himselfe is not so diuers; I may aswell make the *Moone* a new coat, as a true Character of a melancholy man; as soone find the motion of a bird in the Aire, as the heart of a man, of a melancholy man: They are so confused, diuers, intermixt with other diseases; as the species are confounded (as I ^u haue shewed) so are the symptomes. Sometimes with headache, *Cacexia*, dropsy, stone; as you may perceiue by those seuerall examples & illustrations, collected by ^x *Hildisheim spicel. 2. Mercurialis consil. 110. cap. 6. & 11.* with headache, Epilepsie, *Priapismus. Trincavelius consil. 12. lib. 1. lib. 1. consil. 49.* with gout: *caninus appetitus. Montanus consil. 26. & 23. 234. 249.* with Falling sicknesse, Headache, *Vertigo, Lyeanthropia &c. I. Caesar Claudinus consult. 4. consult. 89. & 116.* with gout, Agues, Hemrods, stone, &c. who can distinguish these melancholy symptomes so intermixt with others, or apply them to their seuerall species, confine them into method? Tis hard I confesse, yet I haue disposed of them as I could, and will descend to particularize them according to their species. For hitherto I haue expatiated in more generall lists or termes, speaking promiscuously of all such ordinary signes, which occurre amongst writers. Not that they are all to be found in one man, for that were to paint a Monster or Chimera, not a man; but some in one, some in another, & that successively, or at seuerall times.

Which I haue beene the more curious to expresse & report, not to vpbraid any miserable man, or by way of derision (I rather pittie them) but the better to discern, to apply remedies vnto them; & to shew, that the best &

foundest

ⁿ Cap. 19. Partic. 2.

Loquitur secum & ad alios, ac se verè presentes. Aug. cap. 11. lib. de cura pro mortuis gerenda.

Rh. 8. 5.

^o Quum res ad hoc devenit, ut ea que cogitare ceperit, ore promat, atq. actus permisceat, tum perfecta melancholia est.

^p Melancholicus se videre & audire putat demones. Lat. ater de spectris part. 3. cap. 2.

^q Wierus lib. 3. cap. 31.

^r Michaela musitian.

^s Malleso malef. Lib. de atrabile.

^u Part. 1. subl. 2. memb. 2.

^x De delirio melancholicâ & mania.

foundest of vs all, is in great danger, how much we ought to feare our owne sickle estates, remember our miseries and vanities, examine and humiliate our selues, seeke to God, and call to him for mercy, that needes not seeke for any rods to scourge our soules, since we carry them in our bowels, and that our soules are in a miserable captiuitie, if the light of grace and heavenly truth, doth not shine continually vpon vs: and by our discretion to moderate our selues, to be more circumspect and wary in the midst of these dangers.

MEMB. 2. SUBSEC. I.

Symptomes of head Melancholy.

Si nicholas Pifo.

Si fons circa

ventriculum nō

apparet, nec

sanguis male af-

fectus, et ad una

tumor et mēstia,

cerebrum ip-

sum existiman-

dum est, &c.

† Tract. de mel.

cap. 13. &c. Ex

intemperie spiri-

tuum. Et cere-

brī motu, tene-

brofiate.

* Facie sunt ru-

bente et liues-

cente, quibus

etiam aliquando

ad sunt pustule.

* 10. Partheon

cap. de Mel. Si

cerebrum pri-

maris afficitur

ad sunt capitis

grauitas, fixi

oculi &c.

† Laurent. cap.

9. Si cerebro ex-

siccitate, cum

capitis erit leui-

tas, sitis, vigilia,

pauca et super-

fluitatum in o-

culis et naribus.

* Si nulla dig-

na lesio ventri-

culo, quoniam in

hic melancholia

capitis, exigua

non nunquam

ventriculi parthe-

mata coeunt,

duo enim hec

membra sibi in-

vicem affectionem transmittunt.

† Postrema magis statuta.

* Si minus molestie circa ventriculum aut ventrem, in his cerebrum

primario afficitur, et citare oportet hunc affectum per calidum flatum exortes, et hunc concoctionis &c. raro cerebrum afficitur sine

IF no Symptomes appeare about the Stomacke, nor the blood be misaffected, and feare and sorrow continue, it is to be thought the Braine it selfe is troubled, by reason of a Melancholy iuyce bred in it, or otherwayes conuayed in to it, and that euill iuyce is from the distemperature of the part, or left after some inflammation. Thus far Pifo. But this is not alwayes true, for blood and hypocondries both are often affected, euen in head melancholy. † Hercules de Saxonia differs heere from the common current of Writers, putting peculiar signes of head melancholy, from the sole distemperature of spirits and Braine, as they are hote, cold, dry, moist, all without matter, from the motion alone, and tenebrosity of spirits; of melancholy, which proceedes from humors by aduotion, he treats a-part, with their seuerall symptomes & cures. The common signes, if it be by essence in the head, are ruddinesse of face, high sanguine complexion, most part rubore saturato, one calls it, a blewish, and sometimes full of pumpels, with red eyes. Avicenna lib. 3. Fen. 2. Tract. 4. cap. 18. Duretus in his notes vpon Hollerius, makes this a principall signe of head melancholy, if they be facie admodum rubente: so doth Montaltus and others out of Galen. de affect. lib. 3. cap. 6. * Hercules de Saxonia to this of rednesse of face, addes heavinesse of the head, fixed and hollow eyes. † If it proceed from drynesse of the Braine, then their heads will be light, versiginous, and they most apt to wake, and to continue whole moneths together without sleepe. Few excrements in their eyes and nostrils, and often bauld by reason of excesse of drynesse. Montaltus addes cap. 17, If it proceed from moisture, dulnesse, drowfinesse, headache followes; and as Salust. Saluianus cap. 1. lib. 2. out of his owne experience found, Epilepticall, with a multitude of humors in the head. They are very bashfull, if ruddy, apt to blush, and to be red vpon all occasions, praesertim si metus accesserit. But the chiefeft symptome to discern this species, as I have said, is this, that there be no notable signes in the Stomack, Hypocondries, or elsewhere, digna, as Montaltus termes them, or of greater note, because oftentimes the passions of the stomacke concur with them. Wind is common to all three species, and is not excluded, only that of the Hypocondries is more windy then the rest, saith Hollerius. Atius tetrabib. l. 2. sect. 2. cap. 9. & 10. maintaines the same, * if there be more signes, and more evident

† Postrema magis statuta. * Si minus molestie circa ventriculum aut ventrem, in his cerebrum primario afficitur, et citare oportet hunc affectum per calidum flatum exortes, et hunc concoctionis &c. raro cerebrum afficitur sine

in the head, then elsewhere, the Braine is primarily affected, and prescribes head melancholy to be cured by meates amongst the rest, void of winde, and good iuyce, not excluding winde, or corrupt blood, even in head melancholy it selfe: but these species are often confounded, & so are their symptomes, as I have already proued, and therefore by these signes not so easie to be discerned. The symptomes of the minde are superfluous, and continuall cogitations: *for when the head is heated, it scortheh the blood, and from thence proceed melancholy fumes, which trouble the mind. Avicenna.* They are very cholericke, and soone hote, solitary, sad, often silent, watchfull discontent. *Montaltus cap. 24.* If any thing trouble them, they cannot sleep, but fret themselves still, till another object mitigate it, or time weate it out. They haue griuious passions, and immoderate perturbations of the minde, feare, sorrow &c. yet not so continue, but that they are sometimes merry, which is more to be wondred at, and that by the authority of *Galen* himselfe, by reason of a mixture of a blood, *prærubri iocosis delectantur, & irrisores plerumq. sunt*, if they be ruddy, they are delighted in jests, & oftentimes scoffers themselves, conceited; & as *Rhodericus à Vega* comments on that place of *Galen*, merry, witty, and of a pleasant disposition, & yet griuously melancholy anon after: *omnia discunt sine doctore*, saith *Arctens*, they learne without a teacher: and as *Laurentius* supposeth those ferall passions and symptomes of such as thinke themselves glasse, pitchers, feathers &c. speake strange languages, proceed *à calore cerebri* (if it be in excessse) from the Braines distempered heat.

SVASEC. 2.

Symptomes of windy or Hypochondriacall Melancholy.

IN the Hypochondriacall or flatuous melancholy, the symptomes are so ambiguous, saith *Crato* in a counsell of his for a Noblewoman, that the most exquisite Physitians cannot determine of the part affected. *Matthew Flaccius* consulted about a Noble matron, confessed as much, that in this malady he with *Hollerius*, *Fracastorius*, *Falopius*, and others, being to giue their sentence of a party labouring of Hypochondriacall melancholy, could not finde out by the symptomes, which part was most especially affected; some said the wombe, some heart, some stomach &c. & therefore *Crato consil. 24. lib. 1.* boldly averres, that in this diversity of symptomes, which commonly accompany this disease, *no Physitian can truly say what part is affected. Galen lib. 3. de loc. affect.* reckons vp these ordinary symptomes, which all the Neotericks repeat of *Diocles*; only this fault he findes with him, that he puts not *Feare* and *Sorrow* amongst the other signes. *Trincavelius* excuseth *Diocles lib. 3. consil. 35.* because that oftentimes in a strong head and constitution, a generous spirit, and a valiant, these symptomes appeare not, by reason of his valor and courage. *Hercules de Saxonia* (to whom I subscribe) is of the same minde (which I have before touched) that *Feare* and *Sorrow* are not generall Symptomes; some feare, and are not sad; some bee sad, and feare not; some neither feare, nor griue. The rest are these, beside *Feare* and *Sorrow*, *sharpe belchings, fulsome crudities, heat in the bowells, winde, and rumbling*

Sanguinem adurit caput calidius, & inde fumi melancholici adusti, animum exagitant.

Lib. de loc. aff. sect. cap. 6.

h cap. 6.

Hildisheim Spicel. x. de met. In Hypochondriacâ melancholiâ aded ambigua sunt symptomata, ut etiam exercitissimi medicide loco affecto statuere non possint.

Medici de loco affecto nequeunt statuere.

Tract. posthumo de mel. Patavij edit. 1620 per Bozettum Bibliop. cap. 2.

Acidit rubrus cruditate, & stus in præcordijs, flatu, interdictu ventriculi doloris vehementes sumptuq. cibo concoctu difficili. sputum humidum, idq. multum sequitur, &c. Hip. lib. de mel. Galenus, Melanclius à Russo & Alio. Altomarus, Pifo, Montaltus, Brunel, Wecker &c.

in the guts, vehement gripings, paine in the belly and stomacke at some times, after meate that is hard of concoction, much watering of the stomacke, and moist spittle, cold sweat, importunus sudor, unseasonable sweat all over the body, as Octavius Horatianus lib. 2. cap. 5. calls it, cold ioynts, indigestion, & they cannot endure their owne fulsome belchings, continuall winde about their Hypocondries, heate and griping in their bowels, præcordia sursum conuellantur, midriffe and bowels are pulled up, the veines about their eyes looke red, & swell from vapors and wind. Their eates sing now and then, Vertigo and giddinesse come by fits, turbulent dreames, drynesse, leannesse, apt they are to sweat vpon all occasions, of all colours and complexions. Many of them are high coloured, especially after meales, which was a symptome, Cardinall Cacus was much troubled with, and of which he complained to Prosper Calenus his Physitian, he could not eat, or drinke a cup of wine, but he was as red in the face, as if he had beene at a Maiors feast. That symptome alone vexeth many. Some againe are blacke, pale, ruddy, sometime their shoulders, and shoulder blades ake, there is a leaping all over their bodies, palpitation of the heart, and that *cardiaca passio*, grief in the mouth of the stomacke, which maketh the patient thinke his heart it selfe aketh, and sometimes suffocation, difficult *us anhelitus*, short breath, hard winde, strange pulse, frowning. Montanus consil. 55. Trincavelius lib. 2. consil. 36. & 37. Fernelius consil. 43. & 43. Frambesarius consult. lib. 1. consil. 17. Hildesheim, Claudinus &c. giue instance of every particular. The peculiar symptomes, which properly belong to each part, be these. If from the stomack, saith *Savanarola*, 'tis full of pain, winde. Guianerius addes, vertigo, nausea, much spitting &c. If from the myrache, a swelling & winde in the Hypocondries, a lothing, & appetite, to vomit, pulling vpward. If from the heart, aking & trembling of it, much heauinesse. If from the liuer, there is vsually a paine in the right Hypocondry. If from the spleene, hardnes & grieve in the left Hypocondry, a rumbling, much appetite & small digestion, Avicenna. If from the Meseriack veines & liuer on the other side, little or no appetite. Herc. de Saxoniâ. If from the Hypocondries, a rumbling, inflation, concoction is hindered, often belching &c. And from these crudities windy vapors ascend vp to the Braine, which trouble the Imagination, & cause feare, sorrow, dulnesse, heauinesse, many terrible conceits & Chimeras, as Lemnius well obserues lib. 1. cap. 16. as if a blacke and thicke cloud couers the Sun, and intercepts his beames and light, so doth this melancholy vapor obnubilare the minde, inforce it to many absurd thoughts and Imaginations, and compell good, wise, honest, discreet men otherwise (arising to the Braine from the lower parts, as smoake out of a chimney) to dote, speake, and doe that which becomes them not, their persons, callings, wisdomes. One by reason of those ascending vapors and gripings, rumbling beneath, will not be perswaded but that he hath a serpent in his guts, a viper, another frogs. Trallianus relates a story of a woman, that imagined shee had swallowed an Eele, or a serpent; and Felix Platerus observat. lib. 1. hath a most memorable example of a Countrey man of his, that by chance falling into a pit where frogs & frogs-spawn was, & a little of that water swallowed, began to suspect that he had likewise swallowed frogs-spawn, & with that conceit and feare, his phantasy wrought so far, that he verily thought he had yong liue frogs in his belly, *qui vivebant ex alimento suo*, that lived by

m. Circa præcordia de assidua inflatione queruntur, & cum sudore totius corporis importunus, frigidus articulos sæpe patiuntur, indigestione laborant, vultus suus infusus perhorrescent, viscerum colores habent.
n. Montanus ca. 13. Weck. r. Fasciulus cap. 33. Altomarus cap. 7. Laurentius cap. 73. Brunel. Gordon.

o. Proct. maiori dolor in eo & ventositas, nausea.

q. Ut atra densitas, nubis soli officia, & lina & lumen eius interceptum & offuscatur, &c.
r. Presumptus & carmine.

by his nourishment, & was so certainly perswaded of it, that for many yeares together, he could not be rectified in his conceipt: He studied Physick seuen yeeres together to cure himselfe, travailed into Italy, France, and Germany to conferre with the best Physicians about it, & A^o 1603, asked his counsell amongst the rest, he told him it was wind, his conceipt &c. but *mordicus contradicere*, & ore, & scriptu probare nitebatur: no saying would serue, it was no wind, but reall frogs: and doe you not heare them croake? Platerus would haue deceiued him, by putting aliue frogs into his excrements: but he being a Physician himselfe, would not be deceiued, *vir prudens aliàs, & doctus*, a wife & learned man otherwise, a Doctor of Physick, & after seuen yeeres do rage in this kind, a *Phantasia liberatus est*, he was cured. *Laurentius* and *Goula* haue many such examples, if you be desirous to read them. One com- modity aboue the rest which are melancholy, these windy flatuous haue, *Lucida intervalla*, their symptomes & paines are not vsually so continuare as the rest, but come by fits, feare & sorrow, & the rest: yet in another they exceed all others; and that is, they are luxurious, incontinent, and prone to Venerie, by reason of wind, & *facile amant, & quamlibet ferè amant*. (*Iason Pratensis*.) & *Rhasis* is of opinion, that *Venus* doth many of them much good; the other symptomes of the minde be common with the rest.

SVBSEC. 3.

Symptomes of melancholy abounding in the whole Body.

THeir Bodies that are affected with this vniuersall melancholy, are most part blacke, *the melancholy iuyce is redundant allouer*, hirsute they are, & leane, they haue broad veines, their blood is grosse and thick. *Their Splene is weake*, & a Liuer apt to ingender the humor; they haue kept bad diet, or haue had some evacuation stopped, as hemrods, or moneths in women, which *Trallianus* in the cure, would haue carefully to be inquired, & withall to obserue of what complexion the party is of, blacke or red. For as *Forrestus* & *Hollerius* contend, if they be blacke, it proceedes from abundance of naturall melancholy; if it proceed from cares, discontents, diet, exercise &c. they may be as well of any other colour, red, yellow, pale, as black, and yet their whole blood corrupt: *præ rubri colore sæpè sunt sales, sæpè flavi* (saith *Montalius* cap. 22) The best way to discern this species, is to let them bleed, if the blood be corrupt, thick & black, and they withall free from those Hypochondriacall Symptomes, and not so grievously troubled with them, or those of the head, it argues they are melancholy à toto corpore. The fumes which arise from this corrupt blood, disturbe the minde, and make them fearefull and sorrowfull, heavy hearted, as the rest, dejected, discontented, solitary, silent, weary of their liues, dull and heavy: and if farre gone, that which *Apuleius* wished to his enemy, by way of imprecation, is true in them; *Dead mens bones, hobgoblins, ghosts, are euer in their mindes, and meet them still in euery turne: all the bugbeares of the night, and terrors, & fairybabes of tombes and graues are before their eyes, and in their thoughts, as to women and children, if they be in the darke alone*. If they heare, or read, or see any tragicall obiect, it sticks by them, they are afraid of death, and yet weary of their liues. &c.

*Hypochondriacæ maxime affe-
ctant coire, &
multiplicatur
coitus in iis,
ed quod vntosi-
tat's multipli-
cantur in hypo-
condriis, & coi-
tus sæpè allevat
has vntositates*
Cont. lib. 1.

tract. 9.
*Wecker. Me-
lancholicus suc-
cus toto corpore
redundans.*

*Splen naturâ
imbecillior. Mō-
talius cap. 22.*

*Lib. 1, cap. 16.
Interrogare con-
uenit, an aliqua
evacuatio re-
tentio obtineret;
viri in hemor-
mulerum men-
struis, & zide
faciem similiter
an sit rubicun-
da.*

*Naturales ni-
gi acquiriti à
toto corpore,
sæpè rubicundi.*

*Montalius
cap. 22. Pifo. Ex
colore sanguinis
si minus ve-
nam, si fluat ni-
ger &c.*

*Apul. lib. 1.
semper obvia
species mortuo-
rum quicquid
umbrarum est
vssiam, quic-
quid lemurum
& larvarum oc-
culis suis egge-
runt sibi fingunt
omnia nocturni
occursacula, om-
nia bustorum
formidamina,
omnia sepulchro-
rum terribilia
mentia.*

Immediate cause of these precedent Symptomes.

TO give some satisfaction to melancholy men, that are troubled with these symptomes, a better meanes in my Judgment cannot be taken, then to shew them the causes whence they proceed, not from diuels, as they suppose, or that they are bewitched or forsaken of God, heare or see &c. as many of them think, but from naturall & inward causes, that so knowing them, they may better avoid the effects, or at least endure them with more patience. The most grievous and common symptomes are Feare and Sorrow, and that without a cause, to the wisest and discreetest men, in this malady not to be avoided. The reason why they are so, *Atius* discusseth at large. *Tetrabib. 2. 2.* in his first probleme out of *Galen lib. 2. de causis, sympt.* For *Galen* imputeth all to the cold that is black, and thinkes that the spirits being darkned, and the substance of the Braine cloudy and darke, all the objects thereof appeare terrible, and the mind it selfe, by those darke, obscure, grosse fumes, ascending from black humors, is in continuall darknesse, feare and sorrow, divers terrible monstrous fictions in a thousand shapes and apparitions occurre, with violent passions, by which the Braine and Phantasy are troubled and eclipsed. *Fracastorius lib. 2. de Intellect.* will haue cold to be the cause of Feare and Sorrow; for such as are cold, are ill disposed to mirth, dull and heavy, by nature solitary, silent, and not for any inward darknes (as Physicians thinke) for many melancholy men dare boldly be and continue, and walke in the darke, and delight in it: *solum frigidi timidi*: if they bee hote, they are merry; and the more hote, the more furious, and void of feare, as we see in madmen: but this reason holdes not, for then no melancholy, proceeding from choler adust, should feare. *Averroes* scoffes at *Galen* for his reasons, & brings fine arguments to refell them. So doth *Herc. de Saxonia: Tract. de mel. cap. 3.* assigning other causes, which are copiously censured and confuted by *Alanus, Montanus cap. 5. & 6. Altomarus cap. 7. de mel. Guianerius tract. 15. cap. 1. Bright. cap. 17. Laurentius cap. 5. Valesius med. contr. lib. 5. cont. 1. c. Dis-temperature* they conclude, makes black inyce, blacknesse obscures the spirits, the spirits obscured, cause feare and sorrow. *Laurentius cap. 13.* thinkes these blacke fumes offend especially the *Diaphragma* or Midriffe, and so per consequens the mind, which is obscured as the Sun by a cloud. To this opinion of *Galen*, almost all the Greekes and Arabians subscribe, the Latines new and old, *interne tenebre offuscant animum, ut externe nocent pueris*, as children are affrighted in the darke, so are melancholy men at all times, & as hauing the inward cause with them, and still carying it about. Which blacke vapors, whether they proceed from the black blood about the heart, as *T. w. Ies.* thinks in his Treatise of the passions of the mind, or stomach, spleene, midriffe, or all the misaffected parts together, it boots not, they keepe the minde in a perpetuall dungeon, and oppresse it with continuall feares, anxieties, sorrowes &c. It is an ordinary thing for such as are sound, to laugh at this dejected pusillanimity, and those other symptomes of melancholy, to make themselves merry with them, and to wonder at such, as toys and trifles, which may

* vapores crassi
& nigri, & ventriculo in cerebrum exhalant.
Fel. Placurus.
Calidi bilares,
frigidi indistincti
ad letitiam,
et idem solitarij,
taciturni, non ob
tenebras inter-
mas, ut medici
volunt, sed ob
frigus: multi
melancholici,
nocte ambulant
intrepidum.
+ vapores me-
lancholici, spiri-
tibus misti, tene-
brarum causa
sunt cap. 1.
* Temperies
facit incum ni-
grum, nigrities
obscurat spiritum,
obscuratio spiri-
tus, facit metum
& tristitiam.
+ Ut nubecula
Solem offuscet.
Constantinus
lib. de Melan-
& Altomarus
cap. 7. Causam
timoris circum-
fert ater humor
passionis mate-
ria, & atri spi-
ritus perpetuam
anime domicilio
offundunt ne-
stem.

may be resisted and withstood, if they will themselves: but let him that so wonders, consider with himselfe, that if a man should tell him of a sudden, that some of his especiall friends were dead, could he choose but grieue: or set him vpon a steep rock, where he should be in danger to be precipitated, could he be secure? his heart would tremble for feare, and his head would be giddy. P. Byarus Tract. de Pest. giues instance (as I haue said) ^h and put case (saith he) in one that walkes vpon a planke, if it lye on the ground, he can safely doe it: but if the same planke bee laid ouer some deepe water, in steed of a bridge, he is vehemently moued, and it is nothing but his imagination, forma cadendi impressa, to which his other members and faculties obey. Yea, but you inferre, that such men haue a iust cause to feare, a true object of feare, so haue melancholy men an inward cause, a perpetuall fume and darknes, causing feare, grief, suspition, which they carry with them, an object which cannot be remoued; remoue heat of the Liuer, a cold stomack, weak splene: remoue those adust humours and vapours arising from them, black blood from the heart, take away the cause, and then bid them not grieue nor feare, or be heavy, dull, lumpish, otherwise counsell can doe little good; you may aswell bid him that is sick of an ague, not to be a dry; or him that is wounded, not to feele paine.

Suspition followes Feare and Sorrow at heeles, arising out of the same fountaine, so thinks ⁱ Fracastorius, that Feare is the cause of Suspition, and still they suspect some treachery, or some secret machination to be framed against the, still they distrust. Restlesnesse proceeds fro the same spring, variety of fumes makes them like and dislike. Solitarinesse, avoiding of light, that they are weary of their liues, hate the world, arise from the same causes, because their spirits and humors are opposite to light, feare makes them avoid company, and absent themselves, lest they should be misused, hissed at, or over-shoot themselves, which still they suspect. They are prone to Venery, by reason of wind. Angry, waspish, & fretting still, out of abundance of choler, which causeth fearefull dreames, and violent perturbations to them, both sleeping and waking: That they suppose they haue no heads, flye, sinke, they are pots, glasses &c. is wind in their heads. [†] Herc. de Saxoniâ doth ascribe this to the seuerall motions in the animall spirits, their dilation, contraction, confusion, alteration, tenebrosity, hote or cold distemperature, excluding all materiall humors. ^k Fracastorius accompts it a thing worthy of inquisition, why they should entertaine such false conceits, as that they haue hornes, great noses, that they are Birds, Beasts &c. Why they should thinke themselves Kings, Lords, Cardinals. For the first, ^l Fracastorius giues two reasons: One is the disposition of the body: the other, the occasion of the phantasie, as if their eyes be purblind, their eares sing, &c. To the second, Laurentius answeres, the Imagination inwardly or outwardly moued, represents to the vnderstanding, not inticements only; to fauour the passion, or dislike, but a very intensiue pleasure followes the passion, or displeasure, and the will and reason are captivated by delighting in it.

Why Students and Louers are so often Melancholy, and mad, the Philosophers of ^m Conimbra assigne this cause, because by a vehement and continuall meditation of that, wherewith they are affected, they fetch up the spirits into the Braine, and with the heat brought with them, they incend it beyond mea-

^h Pone exemplum, quod quis potest ambulare super irabem que est in via: sed si sit super aquam profundam, loco pontis, non ambulabit super eam, eo quod imaginetur in animo, et timeret vehementer, formâ cadendi impressâ, cui obediunt membra omnia, et facultates reliquæ.

^{Lib. 2. de Intellectione:} Sus-
pitionis ob timore
et obliquum
discursum, et
semper inde pu-
tant sibi fieri in-
sidias.
^{Laurentius 5.}
[†] Tract. de mel.
cap. 7. Ex dila-
tione, contracti-
one, confusione,
tenebrositate spi-
rituum, calidâ,
frigida intem-
perie, &c.
^k Illud inquisi-
tione dignum,
cur iam facta
recipiant, habere
se cornua, esse
mortuos, nasa-
tos, esse aves &c.
^l Dispositio
corporis. 2. Occa-
sio Imaginatio-
nis.

^m In prob. lib. de
calo: Vehemens
et assidua cogi-
tatio res erga
quam afficitur,
spiritus in cere-
brum euocat.

sure,

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sure: and the cells of the inner senses, dissolving their temperature, which being dissolved they cannot performe their offices, as they ought.

ⁿ Melancholici
Ingeniosi omnes,
summi viri in
artibus & dis-
ciplinis, sive cir-
cum imperatori-
am aut reipub.
disciplinam om-
nes fere melan-
cholici. Aristot.
Adde misen-
tur, ut sit dupli-
sanguinis ad re-
liqua duo.

^p Lib. 2. de In-
tellectione. Pin-
gus sunt Miner-
væ phlegmatici:
sanguinei ama-
biles, grati, hila-
res, at non inge-
niosi, choleric
celeris motu, &
ob id contempla-
tionis impatien-
tes: Melancholici
solum excellen-
tes &c.

^q Tremidantur
vox tremula,
quia cor quatit-
tur.

^r Ob aviditatem
que reddit ner-
vos lingua tor-
pidos.

^s Incontinentia
lingue ex copia
flatuum, & ve-
locitate Imagi-
nationis

^t Calvities, ob
siccatatis exces-
sum

^u Albus

Why melancholy men are witty, which Aristotle hath long since maintained in his Problems; and thatⁿ all learned men, famous Philosophers, and Law-givers, ad unum fere omnes Melancholici, have still beene Melancholy; is a Probleme much controverted. Iason Pratensis will have it vnderstood of naturall melancholy, which opinion Melancthon inclines to, in his booke de Anima, and Marsilius Ficinus de san. tuend. lib. 1. cap. 5. but not simple, for that makes men stupid, heavy, dull, being cold and dry, fearefull, fooles, and solitary, but mixt with the other humors, fleagme onely excepted: and they not adust,^o but so mixt, as that blood be halfe, with litle or no adustion, that they be neither too hot, nor too cold. Aponensis cited by Melancthon, thinks it proceeds from melancholy adust, excluding all natural melancholy, as too cold. Laurentius condemnes his Tenent, because adustion of humors makes men mad, as Lime burnes, when water is cast on it. It must be mixt with blood, and somewhat adust, and so that old Aphorisme of Aristotle may be verified, Nullum magnum ingenium sine mixtura dementie, no excellent wit, without a mixture of madnesse. Fracastorius shall decide the controversie, P Flegmaticke are dull: Sanguine lively, pleasant, acceptable and merry, but not witty: Cholericke are too swift in motion, and furious, impatient of contempla- tion, deceitfull wits; Melancholy men have the most excellent wits, but not all: this humor may be hot or cold, thicke or thinne; if too hot, they are furious and mad: if too cold, dull, stupid, timorous and sad; if temperate, excellent, rather in- clining to that extreame of heat, then cold. This sentence of his will agree with that of Heraclitus, a dry Light, makes a wise mind, temperate heat & drynes, are the chiefe causes of a good wit; therefore, saith Elian, an Elephant is the wisest of all brute beasts, because his braine is dryest, & ob atra bilis copi- am: this reason Cardan approues subtil. lib. 12. 10. Baptista Silvaticus, a Phy- sician of Millan, in his first controversie, hath copiously handled this question: Rulandus in his Problems, Calius Rodiginus lib. 17. Valleriola 6^{to} narrat. med. Herc. de Saxonia, Tract. posth. de mel. cap. 3. Baptista Porta Physiog. lib. 1. cap. 13. and many others.

Weeping, Sighing, Laughing, Itching, Trembling, Sweating, Blushing, hearing and seeing strange noyses, visions, winde, crudity, are motions of the Body, depending vpon these precedent motions of the minde: Neither are teares, affections, but actions (as Scaliger holds) ^q the voice of (such as are a- fraid, trembles, because their heart is shaken. Conimb. prob. 6. sec. 3. de somno. why they sturte or falter in their speech, Adcurialis and Montaltus cap. 17. giue like reasons out of Hippocrates, ^r drynes which makes the nerues of the tongue torpid. Fast speaking, (which is a symptome of some few) ^s Etius will haue caused ^t from abundance of winde, and swiftnesse of Imagination: ^u baldnesse comes from excesse of drynesse, hirsutenesse from a dry temperature. The cause of much waking, is a dry braine, continuall meditation, discontent, feares, and cares, that suffer not the mind to be at rest. Incontinency is from wind, and an hot Liver, Montanus consil. 26. Rumbling in the gurts, is caused from winde, and winde from ill concoction, weaknesse of naturall heat, or a distempered heat and cold. ^u Palpitation of the heart from vapors, and hea- viness, and aking from the same cause. That the belly is hard, wind is a cause, and

and of that leaping in many parts. Rednesse of the face, and itching, as if they were flea-bitten, or stung with pismires, from a sharpe subtile winde. * Cold sweat, from vapors arising from the Hypochondries, which pitch vpon the skin, leanenesse for want of good nourishment. Why their appetite is so great, *Etius* answeres: *Os ventris frigescit*, colde in those inner parts, colde belly, and hote Liver, causeth crudity, and intention proceedes from perturbations, ² our soule for want of spirits, cannot attend exactly to so many intentiue operations, being exhaust, and ouer sway'd by passion, she cannot consider the reasons, which may dissuade her from such affections.

^a Bashfulnesse and blushing, is a passion proper to men alone, and is not only caused for ^bsome shame or ignominy, or that they are guilty vnto themselves of some fowle fact committed, but as ^c *Fracastrorius* well determines, *ob defectum proprium, & timorem*, from feare, and a conceit of our defects; The face labours and is troubled at his presence that sees our defects, and nature willing to helpe sends thither heat, heat drawes the subtilest blood, and so we blush. They that are bold, arrogant, and carelesse, seldome or neuer blush, but such as are fearefull. *Anthoñius Ludovicus*, in his booke de pudore, will haue this subtile blood to arise in the face, not so much for the reuerence of our betters in presence, ^d but for ioy and pleasure, or if any thing at vnawares shall passe from vs: a sudden accident, occurse, or meeting. Any object heard or seene, for blinde men neuer blush, as ^e *Dandinus* obserues, and the night and darknesse make men impudent. Or that we be staide before our betters, or in company we like not, or if any thing molest and offend vs, *erubescencia* turnes to *rubor*, blushing, to a continuat rednesse. ^e Sometimes the extremity of the eacts tingle and are red, sometimes the whole face. *Est si nihil vitiosum commiseris*, as *Ludovicus* holds: though *Aristotle* is of opinion, *omnis pudor ex vitio commisso*, All shame from some offence. But we finde otherwise, it may as well proceed ^f from feare, as well from force and inexperience, (so ^g *Dandinus* holds) as vice, a hot liuer, saith *Duretus*, *notis in Hollerium*. From a hot braine, from winde, the lungs heated, or after drinking of wine, strong drinke, perturbations, &c.

Laughter what it is, saith ^h *Tully*, how caused, where, and so suddenly breaks out, that desirous to stay it we cannot, how it comes to possesse and stirre our face, veines, eyes, countenance, mouth, sides, let *Democritus* determine. The cause that it often affects melancholy men so much, is giuen by *Gomiesius lib. 3. de sale genial. cap. 18.* abundance of pleasant vapours, which in sanguine melancholy especially, breake from the heart, ^h and tickle the midriffe, because it is transverse and full of nerves: by which titillation the sense being moued, and arteries distended, or pulled, the spirits from thence moue and possesse the sides, veines, countenance, eyes. See more in *Iossius de risu & fletu, Vines 3 de Anima*. Teares, as *Scaliger* defines, proceed from griefe and pittie, ⁱ or from the heating of a moist braine, for a dry cannot weepe.

That they see and heare so many phantasmes, Chimeraes, noyses, visions, &c. as *Fienus* hath discoursed at large in his books of Imagination, and ^k *La-*

cerebro calido, &c. * *Com. in Arist. de anim. tam à vi & inesperienza quam à vicio.* ² *De oratore quid ipse visus, quo pacto concitetur, ubi sit, &c.* ^b *Diaphragma titillat, quia transversum & nervosum, quâ titillatione, motu sensu atq. arterijs distentis spiritus inde latera, venas, os, oculos occupant.* ^c *Ex calefactione humidæ cerebri: nam ex sicco lachrymæ non fluunt.* ^d *Res mirandas imaginantur: & putant se videre, quæ nec vident, nec audiunt.*

water de spectris part. 1. cap. 2. 3. 4. their corrupt phantasie makes them see and heare that which indeed is neither heard nor seene. *Qui multum ieiunant aut noctes ducunt insomnes*, they that much fast, or want sleep, as melancholy and sicke men commonly doe, see visions, or such as are very timorous by nature, madde, distracted, or earnestly seeke, *Sabini quod volunt somniant*, as the saying is, they dreame of that they desire. As they that drinke Wine thinke all runnes round, when it is in their owne braine; so is it with these men, the fault and cause is inward, as *Galen* affirms, ¹mad men and such as are neere death, *quas extra se videre putant Imagines intra oculos habent*, 'tis in their braine, which seemes to be before them, the braine is a concaue glasse reflects solid bodies. The Organs corrupt by a corrupt phantasie, as *Lemnius lib. 1. cap. 16.* well quotes. ^m cause a great agitation of spirits, and humours, which wander to and fro in all the creekes of the braine, and cause such apparitions before their eyes. Sicknesse is an ordinary cause of such sights. *Cardan. subtil. lib. 18. Mens egra laboribus & ieiunijs fracta, facit eos videre, audire, &c.* And *Osiander* saw strange visions, and *Alexander ab Alexandro* both in their sicknesse which he relates, *de rerum varietat. lib. 8. cap. 44.* *Albategnius* that noble Arabian on his death bed, saw a ship ascending and descending, which *Fracastrorius* records of his friend *Baptista Turrianus*. *Penthesilaus* in his madnesse two sonnes, and two Thebes, every thing double. Weake sight and a vaine perswasion withall, may cause as much, and second causes concurring, as an Ore in water makes a refraction, and seemes bigger, bended double, &c. The thicknesse of the ayre may cause such effects, or any object not well discerned in the darke, feare and phantasie will suspect to bee a Ghost, a diuell, &c. ^o *Quod nimis miseri timent, hoc facile credunt.* Wee are apt to beleue, & mistake in such cases. *Marcellus Donatus, lib. 2. cap. 1.* brings in a story of *Aristotle*, of one *Antepheron* which likely saw wheresoever hee was, his owne Image in the ayre, as in a glasse. *Vitello lib. 10. perspect.* hath such another instance of a familiar acquaintance of his, that after the want of three or foure nights sleepe, as he was riding by a rivers side, saw another riding with him, and vsing all such gestures as hee did, but when more light appeared, it vanished. *Eremites* and *Anachorites* haue many such absurd visions, revelations by reason of much fasting, and bad diet, many are deceaued by legerdemaine, as *Scot* hath well shewed in his booke of the discouery of witchcraft, & *Cardan. subtil. 18.* by suffites, perfumes, suffumigations, perspective glasses, and such naturall causes, as you may perceauce in *Baptista Porta*, *Alexis*, *Albertus* & others, by glow-wormes, Fire-drakes, Meteors, rotten wood, &c. But most part it is within the braine, although I may not deny, but that oftentimes the diuell deludes them, and takes his opportunity to suggest, and represent such vaine objects to sicke melancholy men, and such as are ill affected.

The hearing is as frequently deluded as the sight, from the same causes almost, as he that heares Bells will make them sound what he list. *As the foole thinketh, so the bell clinketh.* *Theophilus* in *Galen*, thought he heard musicke, from vapours which made his eares sound, &c. Some are deceaued by *Echo's* some by roaring of waters, or concaues and reverberation of ayre in the ground and hollow places or wals. ^p At *Barry* an Isle in the Severne mouth they seeme to heare a smiths forge: so at *Lypara* and those sulphurious Isles, and

¹ Infanti, & qui morti vicini sunt, res quas extra se videre putant intra oculos habent.
^m Prætorum humorum & spirituum agitatio vltro citroque, sinu cerebri pererrantes, &c.

^o Euripides.

^o Seneca Quod metuunt nimis, nunquam amari veri posse, nec solis putant.

^p Blowing of Bellows and knocking of Hammers, if they apply their eare to the cliffe.

and many such like which *Olaus* speakes of in the continent of *Scandia*, and those northerne countries. *Cardan. de rerum var. lib. 15. cap. 84.* mentioneth of a woman, that still supposed she heard the Diuell call her, and speaking to her, shee was a Painters wife in *Millan*: and many such illusions of voices, which proceed most part from a corrupt Imagination.

Whence it comes to passe, that they prophecy, speake seuerall languages, talke of Astronomy, and other vnkowne sciences to them: (of which they haue beene euer ignorant) I haue in brieft touched, onely this I will here adde, that *Arculanus*, *Bodin. lib. 3. cap. 6. demon.* and some others hold, as a manifest token that such persons are possessed with the Diuell: so doth *Hercules de Saxonia*, and *Apponensis*, and fit only to be cured by a Priest. But *Guianerius*, *Montaltus*, and *Lemnius lib. 2. cap. 2.* referre it wholly to the ill disposition of the humour, and that out of the authority of *Aristotle prob. 30. r.* because such symptomes are cured by purging, and as by the striking of a flint fire is enforced, so by the vehement motions of spirits, they doe elicit *voces inauditas*, compell strange speeches to bee spoken: another argument he hath from *Platoe's remiscencia*, but in this I should rather hold with *Avicenna* and his associats, that such symptomes proceed from euill spirits, which take all opportunities of humours decayed, or otherwise to pervert the soule of man, and besides the humour it selfe, is *Balneum Diaboli*, the Diuells bath, and as *Agrippa* proues, doth intice him, to seize vpon them.

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Mem. 1. Subl. 3. of this Partition cap. 16. in 9. Rasis. *Signa demonis nulla sunt nisi quod loquatur ea que ante nesciebant ut Teutonicum aliud Idiom, &c.* *Cap. 12. tract. de melan.* *Tract. 15. c. 4.* *Cap. 9.* *Mira vis concitat humores ardore, vehementer mentem exagitat, quomodo,*

SECT. 4.

MEMB. 1. SUBSEC. 1.

Prognosticks of Melancholy.

Prognosticks, or signes of things to come, are either good or bad. If this malady be not hereditary, and taken at the beginning, there is good hope of cure, *re cens curationem non habet difficilem*, saith *Avicenna l. 3. Fen. 1. Tract. 4. c. 18.* That which is with laughter, of all others is most secure, gentle, and remisse. *Hercules de Saxonia*. * If that evacuation of hæmorrhoids, or varices which they call the water betweene the skinn, shall happen to a melancholy man, his misery is ended. *Hippocrates Aphor. 6. 11. Galen. lib. 6. de morbis vulgar. com. 8.* confirms the same, and to this Aphorisme of Hippocrates all the Arabians, new and old Latines subscribe; *Montaltus cap. 25. Hercules de Saxonia, Mercurialis, Vittorius Faventinus, &c. Skenkius lib. 1. obseruat. med. cap. de Mania.* illustrates this Aphorisme, with an example of one *Daniel Federer* a Coppersmith, that was long melancholy, and in the ende madde about the 27 yeare of his age, these varices or water beganne to arise in his thighes, and he was freed from his madnesse. *Marius the Roman* was so cured some say, though with great paine. *Skenkius* hath some other instances of women that haue beene helped by flowing of their monthes, which before were stopped. That the opening of the hæmorrhoids, will doe as much for men, all Physitians ioyntly signifie, so they be voluntary some say, and not by compulsion. All melancholy men are better after a quartane *7 Isbertus* saith scarce any man hath that Ague twice: But whether it free him from this

* Si melancholicis hæmorrhoides supervenerint aut varices vel ut quibusdam placet aqua inter cutem, soluitur malum.

7 Cap. 10. de quartana.

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^a Cum sanguis exit per superficiem & residet melancholia per scabiem, morpheam nigram, vel expurgatur per inferiores partes vel per urinam &c non erit tunc & splen. magnificatur & varices apparent.
^b Quia iam conversum in naturam.
^c In quocunque sit, a quocunque, causa Hypochondriacum praesertim semper est longa morosa, nec facile curari potest.
^d Regimen morbum & incurabile.
^e Omne delirium quod oritur a paucitate cerebri, i. curabile Hiltsheim. spicel. 2. de mania.
^f Si sola Imaginatione ledatur, & non ratio.
^g Mala a sanguine feruente, deterior a bile astringente pessima ab atrabile putrefacta.
^h Difficilis curatio, quae fit vitio corporis totius & cerebri.
ⁱ Difficilis curatio in viris, multo difficilius in feminis.
^k Ad interitum plerumque homines comitantur, licet medici levent plerumque, tamen non tollunt unquam, sed recedit acerbior quam antea, minima occasione aut erigere.
^l Periculum est ne degeneret in Epilepsiam, Apoplexiam, Convulsionem, cecitatem.

¹ Montalt. c. 25. Laurentius. Nic. Piso. ^m Her. de Saxonia. Aristotele. Caruascius. ⁿ Favent. humor frigidus sola delirij causa. furoris vero humor calidus. ^o Heurnius calis madnes, fabolem melancholice. ^p Alexander. lib. 1. cap. 18. ^q Montalt. c. 15. Raro mori aut nunquam, nisi sibi ipsis insensant.

malady, 'tis a question; for many Physitians ascribe all long Agues for especial causes, and a quartane Ague amongst the rest. ² Rhasis cont. lib. 1. tract. 9. When melancholy gets out at the superficies of the skinn, or settles breaking out in scabbes, leprosie, morpew, or is purged by stooles, or by the Urine, or that the spleene is enlarged, and those varices appeare, the disease is dissolved. Guainerius, cap. 5. tract. 15. adds Dropsie, landise, Dysentery, Leprosy, as good signes, to these Scabbes, Morpewes, and breaking out, and proues it out of the 6. of Hippocrates Aphorismes.

Evill Prognosticks on the other part. *Inveterata melancholia incurabilis*, if it be inveterate, it is ^a incurable, a common axiome, and *difficiliter curabilis* as they say that make the best, hardly cured. This Galen witnesseth, lib. 3. de loc. affect. cap. 6. ^b be it in whom it will, or from what cause soever, it is ever long, wayward and tedious, and hard to be cured, if once it be habituated. As Lucian said of the Gout, she was the ^c Queene of diseases, and inexorable, may we say of melancholy. Yet Paracelsus will haue all diseases whatsoeuer curable, and laughs at all them which thinke otherwise, as T. Erasmus par. 3. objects to him. Although in another place, hereditary diseases he accounts incurable, and by no art to be remoued. ^d Hiltsheim spicel. 2. de mel. holds it lesse dangerous if only ^e Imagination be hurt and not reason, ^f the gentlest is from blood. Worse from choler adust, but the worst of all from Melancholy putrified. & Bruel esteemes hypochondriacall least dangerous, and the other two species (opposite to Galen) hardest to be cured. ^h The cure is hard in man, but much more difficult in women. And both men and women must take notice of that saying of Montanus consil. 230. pro Abbate Italo, ⁱ This malady doth commonly accompany them to their graue, Physitians may ease and it may lye hid for a time, but they cannot quite cure it, but it will retorne againe more violent and sharpe then at first, and that upon every small occasion or errour, as in Mercuries weather-beaten statue, that was once all ouer gilt, the open parts were cleane, yet there was in *sinibryis aurum*, in the chinckes a remnant of gold: there will be some reliques of melancholy left, in the purest bodies (if once tainted) not so easily to be rooted out. ^k Oftentimes it degenerates into Epilepsy, Apoplexy, Convulsions, and blindness: by the authority of Hippocrates & Galen, all averre, if once it possesse the ventricles of the braine, Frambesarius, and Salust. Saluzanus adde, if to the opticke nerues, blindness. *Mercurialis consil. 20.* had a woman to his patient, that from Melancholy became Epilepticke and blind. ^m If it come from a cold cause or so continue cold, or increase, Epilepsy, Convulsions follow, and blindness, or else in the end they are moped, sottish, and in all their actions, speeches, gestures, ridiculous. ⁿ If it come from an hot cause, they are more furious, & boisterous, and in conclusion mad. *Calescentem melancholiam saepius sequitur mania*, ^o if it heat and increase, that is the common event, ^p per circuitus, and *semper insanit*, by fits, or altogether. If it come from Melancholy naturall adust, & in excessse, they are often *dæmoniacall*, Montanus.

^q Seldome this malady procures death, except (which is the greatest and most grieuous calamity, and the misery of all miseries) to make away them.

Selues,

selues, which is a frequent thing, and familiar amongst them. 'Tis [†] Hippocrates obseruation, Galens sentence, *Et si mortem timent, tamen plerumq. sibi ipsi mortem consciscunt*, lib. 3. de locis affect. cap. 7. the doome of all Physicians. 'Tis [†] Rabbi Moses Aphorisme. The prognosticon of Avicenna, Rhasis, Aetius, Gordonius, Valescus, Altomarus, Salust Saluianus, Capiuaccius, Hercules de Saxonia, Piso, Bruel, Fuchsius all, &c.

*Et sapè vsq. ad eò mortis formidine vitæ
Percipit infelix odium, lucisq. vidende,
Vt sibi consciscat merenti pectore lethum.*

And so farre forth deaths terror doth affright,
He makes away him selfe, and hates the light:
To make an end of feare and grieve of heart,
He voluntary dies to ease his smart.

So farre forth doth the torture and extremity of his misery torment him, that he can take no pleasure in his life, but is in a manner inforced to offer violence vnto himselfe, to be freed from his present insufferable paines. So some (saith ^u Fracastorius) in fury, but most in despaire, sorrow, feare, and out of the anguish and vexation of their soules, offer violence to themselves: for their life is unhappy and miserable. They can take no rest in the night, nor sleepe, or if they doe slumber, fearefull dreames astonish them. In the day time, they are affrighted still by some terrible obiekt, and torne in pieces with suspicion, feare, sorrow, discontents, cares, shames, anguish, &c. as so many wild horses, that they cannot be quiet an houre, a minute of time, but euen against their wils they are intent, and still thinking of it, they cannot forget it, it grindes their soules day and night, they are perpetually tormented, they can neither eat, drinke, or sleep, Psal. 107. 18. their soule abhorreth all meat, & they are brought to deaths doore, ^z being bound in misery and iron: they curse their starres with Iob, ^z and day of their birth, and wish for death: for as Pineda, and most interpreters hold, Iob was euen melancholy to despaire, and almost madnesse it selfe, they murmur many times against the world, friends, allies, all mankind, euen against God himselfe in the bitterness of their passion, ^a *vivere nolunt, mori nesciunt*, live they will not, dye they cannot. And in the midst of these squalid, gly, and such irksome dayes, they seeke at last, finding no comfort, ^b no remedy in this wretched life, to be eased of al by death. *Omnia appetunt bonum* and for their good as they hope, *sub specie* at least, *vel quia mori pulchrum putant* (saith ^c Hippocrates) *vel quia putant inde se maioribus malis liberari*, to be freed as they seeke. Though many times as *Asepe* fishes, they leap from the frying-pan, into the fire it selfe, yet they hope to be eased by this meanes; and therefore (saith ^d Falix Platerus) after many tedious dayes at last, either by drowning, hanging, or some such fearefull end they precipitate or make away themselves: many lamentable examples are dayly seene amongst vs. 'Tis a common calamity, ^e a fatall end to this disease. They are condemned to a violent death, by a fury of Physicians, furiously disposed, carried headlong by their tyrannizing wils, inforced by miseries, and there remains no more to such persons, if that heauenly Physician, by his assisting grace and mercy alone, doe not prevent, no humane perswasion, or Art can helpe, to be their owne butchers, and execute themselves. So *arates* his cicuta, *Lucretias* dagger, *Timons* halter, are yet to be had; *Catoes*

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[†] Lib. de Insania. Fabio Caluo interprete.

[†] Nonnulli violentias manus sibi inferunt.

[†] Lucret. lib. 3.

^u Lib. 2. de Intell. sepe mortem sibi consciscunt ob timorem & tristitiam, tedio vite affecti ob furorem & desperationem. Est enim infera &c. Ergo sic perpetuo affligati vitam odunt, se precipitant, his malis carituri aut interficiunt se aut tale quid committunt.

^x P. 10. P. 107

^y Iob 3.

^z Iob 6. 8.

[†] Vi doloris & tristitie ad insaniam penè redactus.

^a Seneca.

^b In salutis sue desperatione proponunt sibi mortis desiderium. Ovi. Horat.

lib. 2. cap. 5.

^c Lib. de Insania. Sic sic iuvat ire per umbras.

^d Cap. 3. de mentis alienat. & affligunt, dum tandem mortem,

quam timent, suspendio, aut submersione, aut

aliqua alia vi, ut multa tristitia exempla vidimus.

^e Arculanus in 9. Rhasis cap. 16. cavendum ne ex alto se precipitent, aut alios ledant.

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80 omnium o-
pinionibus inco-
gitabile malum.
Lucian. mortefq;
mille mille, dum
vivit, necesse ge-
rit, peritq; Hein-
sius Aufriaco.

† Regina mor-
borum, cui fa-
mulantur omnes
ex obediunt.
Cardan.

† Eheu quis in-
tus Scorpio etc.
Seneca Ast. 4.
Herc. act.

† Silius Itali-
cus.

† Lib. 29.

knife, and *Neroes* sword are left behinde them, as so many fatall engines, be-
queathed to posterity, and will be vsed to the worlds end, by such distressed
soules: so intollerable, vn sufferable, grievous and violent is their paine, & so
vn speakable, and so continuate. One day of griefe is an hundred yeares, as
Cardan obserues: T'is *carnificina hominum, angor animi*, as well saith *Arete-
us*,^h a plague of the soule, an epitome of hell; and if there be an hell vpon
earth, it is to be found in a Melancholy mans heart:

For that deepe torture may be call'd an hell,
When more is felt, then one hath power to tell.

Yea, that which scoffing *Lucian* said of the gout in jest, I may truely affirme
of Melancholy in earnest.

O triste nomen! ô dijs odibile

† *Melancholia lachrymosa, Cocytii filia,*

Tu Tartari specubus opacis adita

Erinnys, utero quàm *Megara* suo tulit,

Et ab uberibus aluit, cuiq; paruule,

Amarulentum in os lac *Alecto* dedit,

Omnes abominabilem te demones

Produxere in lucem, exitio mortalium.

Non *Iuppiter* fert tale telum fulminis,

Non ulla sic procella sauit equoris,

Non impetuosus tanta vis est turbinis.

An asperos sustineo morsus *Cerberi*?

Num virus *Echidna* membra mea depascitur?

Aut tunica sanie tincta *Nessi* sanguinis?

Illachrymabile & immedicabile malum hoc.

O sad and odious name! a name so fell,

Is this of Melancholy, brat of hell.

There borne in hellish darknes doth it dwell,

The Furies brought it vp, *Megera's* teate,

Alecto gaue it bitter milke to eate.

And all conspir'd a bane to mortall men,

To bring this diuell out of that black den.

Iupiters thunderbolt, nor storme at Sea,

Nor whirle-wind doth our hearts so much dismay.

What? am I bit by that fierce *Cerberus*?

Or stung by † serpent so pestiferous?

Or put on shirt that's dipt in *Nessus* blood?

My pain's past cure, Physick can doe no good.

Siculi non invenero tyranni maius tormentum. No torture of body like vnto
it, no strappado's, hot irons, *Phalaris* bulls:

† *Nec ira deum tantum, nec tela, nec hostis,*

Quantum sola nocet animis illapsa.

Ioues wrath, nor diuels can,

Doe so much harme to th' Soule of man.

all feares, griefes, suspitions, discontentes, imbonities, insuavities are swallow-
ed vp, and drowned in this *Euripus*, this Irish Sea, this Ocean of misery, as so
many small brookes; t'is *coagulum omnium arumnarum*, which † *Ammianus*
applied

Et paulò
post

applied to his distressed *Palladius*, I say of our Melancholy man, hee is the cream of humane adversity, the quintessence, vpon other diseases whatsoever, are but flea-bittings to Melancholy in extent: 'Tis the pith of them all,

† *Hospitium est calamitatis, quid verbis opus est,*

Quamcumq; malam rem queres, illic reperies.

What need more words, 'tis calamities Inne,

Where seeke for any mischief, 'tis within;

& a melancholy man is that true *Prometheus*, which it bound to *Caucasus*, the true *Titius*, whose bowels are still by a vulture, devoured (as Poets faine) for so doth *Lilius Giraldus* interpret it, of anxieties & those griping cares, & so ought it to be vnderstood. In all other maladies whatsoever, we seeke for helpe, if a legge or an arme ake, through any distemperature or wound, or that we haue any ordinary disease, aboue all things whatsoever, wee desire help & health, a present recovery, if by any meanes possible it may be procured. We will freely part with all our other fortunes, substance, endure any misery, drinke bitter potions, swallow those distastefull pills, suffer our joints to be seared, to be cut off, any thing for future health; so sweet, so deare, so pretious aboue all other things in this world, is life: but to a melancholy man, nothing so tedious, nothing so odious; that which they so carefully seek to preserve, hee abhorres: hee alone, so intollerable are his pains. Some make a question *graviore morbi corporis an animi*, whether the diseases of the body or mind be more grievous; but there is no comparison, no doubt to be made of it, *multo enim seuior, longeq; atrocior est animi, quam corporis cruciatus* (*Lemnius l. 1. c. 12*) the diseases of the mind are farre more grievous. So *Cardan* testifies, *de rerum var. l. 8. c. 40.* *Maximus Tyrinus* a Platonist, & *Plutarch*, haue made iust volumes to proue it. *Dies adimit aegritudinem hominibus*; in all other diseases, there is some hope likely, but these vnhappy men are borne to misery, past all hope of recovery, incurably sick, the longer they liue, the worse they are, and death alone must ease them.

Another doubt is made by some Philosophers, whether it be lawfull for a man in such extremity of paine and griefe, to make away himselfe: & how such men that so doe, are to be censured. The Platonists approue of it, that it is lawfull in such cases, and vpon a necessity, *Plotinus lib. de beatitud. cap. 7.* and *Socrates* himselfe defends it, in *Plato's Phaedon*, if any man labour of an incurable disease, he may dispatch himselfe, if it be to his good. The Stoicks in generall, & *Seneca* amongst the rest, *quamcumq; veram esse viam ad libertatē*, any way is allowable, that leades to liberty, † let vs giue God thanks, that no man is compelled to liue against his will. † He commends *Cato*, *Dido*, & *Lucretia*, for their generous courage in so doing, & others that voluntarily dye, to avoid a greater mischief, to free themselves from misery, to saue their honor, or vindicate their good name, as *Cleopatra* did, as *Iunius Brutus*, as *Vibius Virius*, & those *Campanian* Senators in *Livy*, (*Dec. 3. lib. 6.*) to escape the Roman tyranny, that poysoned themselves: how many myriads besides in all ages, *qui sibi lethum insontes peperere manu* &c. *P Raxis* in the *Machabees* is magnified for it, *Sampsons* death approued. In warres for a man to run rashly vpon imminent danger, & present death, is accompted valor & magnanimity, † to be the cause of his own, & many a thousands ruine besides, to commit wilfull murder in a manner, of himselfe and others, is a glorious thing, & hee shall

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*Hic omnis in-
bonitas, & in-
suauitas consi-
stet, ut Tertulli-
ani verbis utar,
orat, ad martyres
† Plautus.*

Vita Herculis

*Quid est mi-
serius in vita,
quam velle mo-
ri. Seneca.*

*m Tom. 2.
Libello an: gra-
uiore passionis
&c.
n Ter.*

*o Pater exilis,
si pugnare non
vultis, licet su-
gere, qui vos te-
net inuitos? De
provid cap. 8.
† Agamemnon Deo
gratias, quod ne-
mo inuitus in
vita teneri po-
test.*

*† Epist. 24. 71.
82.*

† Mac. 14. 42.

*† As amongst
Turkes and
others.*

9 *Bohemus de moribus gentium.*
 * *De pontic de-ijere.*

Lib. 2. *Prefer-
 tim quum tor-
 mentum ei vide-
 sit bona spe fre-
 tus acerbata, vita
 velut à carcere
 se eximat, vel ab
 alijs eximij sua
 voluntate patitur*
 * *Expedit. ad
 Sinus. lib. 1. c. 9.*

*Vel bonorum
 desperatione,
 vel malorum
 perpeffione fracti
 & fatigati, vel
 manus violentas
 sibi inferunt, vel
 ut inimicis suis
 egre faciat, &c.*

* *So did An-
 thony, Galba,
 Vitellius, Otho,
 Aristotle him-
 se fe & Erax Ajax
 in despair, Cle-
 opatra to saue
 her honor.*

* *Inertius deli-
 giur diu vivere,
 quam in timore
 tot morborum
 semel moriendo,
 nullam deinceps
 formidare.*

† *Curtius l. 16.*

* *Laqueus preci-
 sus, cont. 1. l. 5.
 quidam naufragio
 facto, amissis
 tribus liberis, &
 uxore, suspendit
 se, precipit illi
 quidam ex pre-
 tereuntibus, la-
 queum. A libe-
 rato reus sit ma-
 lesicij, Seneca.*

See D. Kings

14 *Lect. on Jo-*

nas. D. Abbot,

6 *Lect. on the*

same Prophet.

b *As to be bu-*

ried out of

Christian bu-

riall with a

stake, lose

their goods.

Idem *Plato 9.*

de legibus, vult

separatim sepeliri, qui sibi ipsis mortem consciscunt. &c.

* *Observat. c. Seneca tract. 1. l. 8. c. 4. Lex homicida in se insepultus abiectus, contradicitur. Ed quod afferre sibi manus coactus sit affli-*

ctus malis, summam infelicitatem suam in hoc remouit, quod existimabat licere misero mori. † *Buchanay, Eleg. lib.*

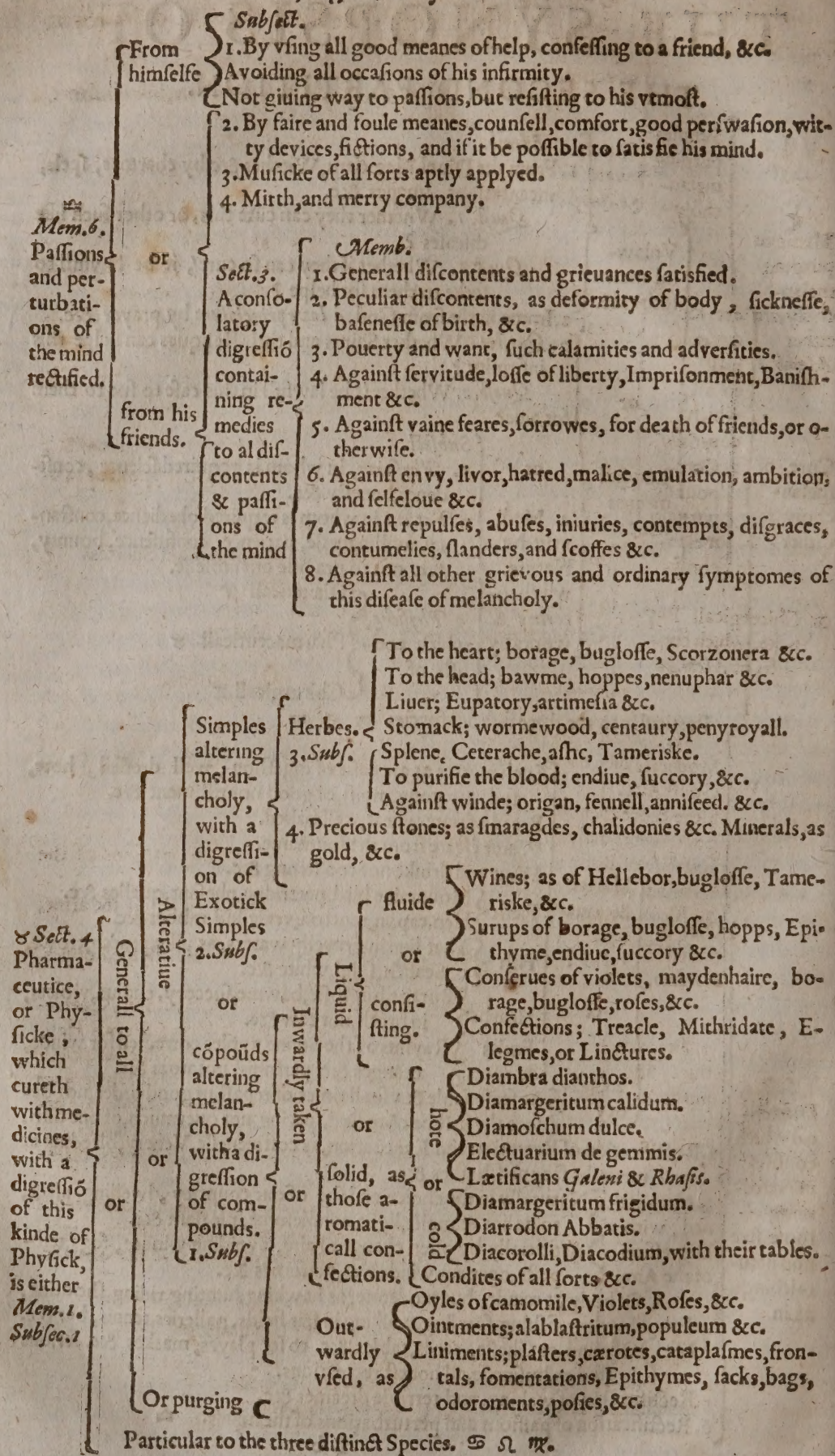
shal be crowned for it. The 9 *Massegata* in former times, & I know not what nation besides, did stifle their old men, to free the from those grievances, incident to that age. St *Thomas Moore* in his *Vtopia* commends voluntary death if he be sibi aut alijs molestus, troublesome to himselfe, or others, (especially if life be a torment to him) let him free himself with his own hands from this tedious life, as from a prison, or suffer himself to be freed from others. It is an ordinary thing in *China* (saith *Matt. Riccius* the *Iesuite*) if they be in despaire of better fortunes, or tired & tortured with misery, to bereave themselves of life, & many times to spite their enemies the more, to hang at their doore. *Austin de civ. dei*, l. 1. cap. defends a violent death, so that it bee vndertaken in a good cause, nemo sic mortuus, qui non fuerat aliquando moriturus, quid autem interest, quò mortis genere, vita ista finiatur, quando ille cui finitur, iterum mori non cogitur &c: no man so voluntarily dies, but volens, nolens, he must dye at last, & our life is subiect to innumerable casualties, who knowes when they may happen, utrum sat us est unam perpeti moriendo, an omnes timere vivendo, a better suffer one, then feare all. * And a harder choice to liue in feare, then by once dying, to be freed from all. *Theombratus Ambrociata* periwaded, I know not how many hundreths of his Auditors, by a luculent Oration hee made of the miseries of this, & happines of that other life, to precipitate themselves. † *Calenus* & his *Indians*, hated of old, to dye a naturall death: the *Circumcellians* & *Donatists*, lothing life, còpelled others to make the away, with many such: but these are false & Pagan positions, and vpon a wrong ground. No euill is to be done, that good may come of it, reclamat *Christus*, reclamat *Scriptura*, God, & all good men are y against it. † *Male meretu*, qui dat mendico quod edat, nam & illud quod dat, perit; & illi producit, vitam ad miseriam: he that giues a beggar an almes (as that Comickall Poet said) doth ill, because he doth but a prolong his miseries. But *Lactantius* l. 6. c. 7. de vero cultu, calls it a detestable opinion, & fully confutes it. l. 3. de sap. c. 18. & *Austin* c. 61. ad *Dulcitiu* *Tribunum*. *Hierom* to *Marcella* of *Blesillas* death, Non recipio tales animas &c. he calls such men, martyres stultæ & *Philosophia*. *Cyprian* de duplici martyrio, Si qui sic moriantur, aut infirmitas, aut ambitio, aut dementia cogit eos. To this effect writes *Arist. 3. Ethic.* but it needs no confutation. This only let me adde, that in some cases, those b hard censures of such as offer violence to their own persons, are to be mitigated, as in such as are mad, beside themselves or known to haue bin long melancholy, & that in extremity, they know not what they doe, depriued of Reason, Judgment, all; c as a ship that is void of a Pilot, must needs impinge vpon the next rocke or sands, & suffer shipwrack. d *P. Forestus* hath a story of two melancholy brethren, that made away themselves, & for so foule a fact, were accordingly censured, to be infamously buried, as in such cases they vse: but vpon farther examination of their misery & madnes, the censure was e revoked, & they were solemnely interred. Thus of their goods & bodies, we can dispose, but what shal become of their souls God alone can tell, his mercy may come inter pontem & fontem, inter gladium & iugulum: quod cui vis contingat, cuiquam potest. Who knowes how he may be tempted: it is his case, it may be thine: † *Qua sua sors hodie est, cras fore vestra potest*, we ought not to be rash and rigorous in our censures, as some are, charity will iudge the best, God be mercifull to vs all. FINIS.

THE SYNOPSIS OF THE SECOND PARTITION.

Cure of melan- choly is either	Sec. 1 Gener- all to all which con- taines	or	Vnlaw- ful meanis forbiddē.	or	Lawfull meanes which are	or	Memb.	
							1. From the Diuel, Magitians, Witches &c. by charmes, spels, incantations, Images &c.	
							Quest. 1. Whether they can cure this, or other such like diseases?	
							Quest. 2. Whether if they can so cure, it be lawfull to seeke to them for helpe?	
							2. Immediately from God, à <i>love principium</i> , by prayer &c.	
							3. Quest. 1. Whether Saints and their Reliques can helpe this infirmity?	
							Quest. 2. Whether it be lawfull in this case to sue to them for aide?	
							Subsect.	
							1. <i>Physitian</i> , in whom is required science, confidence, honesty &c.	
							2. <i>Patient</i> , in whom is required obedience, constancy, willingnesse, patience, confidence, bounty, &c. not to practise on himselve.	
							4. Medi- atly by Nature, which co- cernes & works by	3. <i>Physicke</i> , which con- sists of
								Diatericall
								Pharmaceuticall & Chirurgicall
Particular to the three distinct species S A M								

Diet re- ctified 1. Mem.	Matter & qua- lity. 1. Subst.	or	2. Qua- lity	Such meates as are easie of digestion, well dressed, hote, sod, &c. yong, moist, of good nourishment &c.	
				Bread of pure wheat, well baked.	
				Water cleare from the fountaine.	
				Wine and drinke not too strong &c.	
V Sect. 2. Dieteti- cal which consists in refor- ming those fixe non natu- ral things, as in	2. Rectification of Retention and Evacuation, as costiuēesse, Venery, bleeding at nose, moneths stopped, bathes &c.	3. Aire recti- fied, with a	Digression of the Aire.	Naturally in the choice and site of our countrey, dwelling-place, to be hot & moist, light, wholesome, pleasant &c.	
				Artificially, by often change of aire, avoiding windes, fogs, tem- pests, opening windowes, perfumes &c.	
				4. Ex- ercise	Of body & minde, but moderate, as hawking, hunting, riding, shooting, bowling, fishing, fowling, walking in fair fields, galleries, tennis, bar &c.
				Of mind, as Chess, cards, tables, &c. to see playes, maskes &c. serious studies, businesse, all honest recreations.	
5. Rectification of waking, and terrible dreames &c.					
6. Rectification of passions and perturbations of the minde.					

Synopsis of the second Partition.



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Medicines purging melan- choly, are either <i>Memb. 2</i>	Simples purging melan- choly	1. <i>Subs.</i> { Afrabacca, laurell, white Hellebor, Scylla, or Sea-onyon, Vpward, { Antimony, Tobacco. as vomits
		2. <i>Subs.</i> { More gentle; as Sena, Epithime, Polipodie, Mirabolanes, or { Fumitory &c. Down- ward. { Stronger; aloes, lapis Armenus, lapis lazuli, blacke Hellebor.
	or	Mouth { Liquid, as potions, Iulipes, Syrupes, wine of Hellebor, buglosse &c. Superior { Solid, as lapis Armenus, and lazuli, pilles parts { of Indie, pilles of Fumitory &c. or { Eleatuaries, Diasena, confection of Ha- mech, Hierologadium &c. or { Not swallowed, as gargarismes, masticato- ries &c.
	3. <i>Subs.</i> { Com- pounds purging melan- choly.	or { Nostrials; sneezing-powders, odoraments, perfumes &c. Inferior parts; as Clusters strong and weake, and suppositories of Castilian soap, hony boyled &c.
II Chirurgicall Phy- sicke, which con- sists of <i>Memb. 3.</i>	Phlebotomy, to all parts almost, and all the distinct Species. With knife, horseleeches. Cupping-glasses. Cauteries, and searing with hote irons, boaring. Dropax and Synapismus, Issues to severall parts, and vpon severall occasions.	

S. Self. 5 Cure of headme- lancholy <i>Memb. 1.</i>	1. <i>Subs.</i>	Moderate diet, meat of good iuyce, moistning, easy of digestion. Good Aire. Sleep more then ordinary. Excrements daily to be avoided by Art or Nature. Exercise of Body and minde not too violent, or too remisse, passions of the minde, and perturbations to be avoided.
	2.	Blood-letting if there be need, or that the blood bee corrupt, in the arme, fore-head &c. or with Cupping-glasses. Preparatiues; as Syrupe of borage, buglosse, Epithyme, hoppes, with their distilled waters &c. Purgers; as Montanus, and Mathiolus Helleborismus, Querce- rans Syrup of Hellebor, Extract of Hellebor, Pulvis Hali, Antimony prepared, <i>Rulandi aqua mirabilis</i> : which are vsed, if gentler medicines will not take place, with Arnoldus <i>vinum</i> buglossatum, Sena, cassia, mirabolanes, <i>aurum potabile</i> , or be- fore Hamech, Pil. Indz, Hiera, Pil. de lap. Armento, lazuli.
	3. Preparatiues and purgers	Cardans nettles, frictions, clisters, suppositories, sneezings, masti- catories, nasals, cupping-glasses.
	4. Averters.	To open the Hemroids with horseleeches, to apply horseleeches to the forehead without scarification, to the shoulders, thighs. Issues; boaring, cauteries, hot irons in the suture of the Crowne. A cup of wine, or strong drinke. Bezars stone, amber, spice, Conserues of borage, buglosse, Roses, Fumitory. Confection of Alcermes.
	5. Cordials, resoluers, hinderers.	<i>Electuarium laetificans Galeni & Rhasis &c.</i> <i>Diamargaritum frig. diaboraginum &c.</i>

Synopsis of the second Partition.

Odoraments of Roses, Violets.

Irrigations of the head, with the decoctions of nymphaea, lettuce, mallows, &c.

Epithemes, ointments, bagges to the heart.

Fomentations of oyle for the belly.

Bathes of sweet water, in wh ch were sod Mallows, Violets, Roses, Water-lillies, Borage flowres, rammes heads, &c.

6. Correctors of accidents, as

To procure sleepe and are
Inwardly taken or
Compounds.

Simples { Poppy, Nymphaea, Lettice, roses, purslan, henbane, mandrake, nightshade, opiu &c.
Liquid, as Syrupes of Poppy, Verbasco, Violets, Roses.
Solid, as requies Nicholai. Philonium Romanum, Laudanum Paracelsi.

or Oyles of Nymphaea, poppy, Violets, Roses, mandrake, nutmegs.

Odoraments of vineger, rosewater, opium.

Frontals of rose-cake, rose-vineger, nutmeg.

Oyntments, alabastrum, vnguentum populeum, simple, or mixt with opium.

outwardly vsed as Irrigations of the head, feet, sponges, Musicke, murmure and noyse of waters.

Frictions of the head, and outward parts, sacculi of Henbane, wormewood at his pillow &c.

Against terrible dreames; not to sup late, or eat pease, cabbage, venison, meates heauy of digestion; vse bawme, horsetongue, &c.

Against ruddinesse and blushing, inward and outward remedies.

2. Mem. Diet, preparatiues, purgers, averters, cordials, correctors, as before.

Cure of Phlebotomy in this kinde more necessary and more frequent.

melancholy o- To correct and cleanse the blood with Fumitory, Sena, Succory, Dandelion, Endiue &c.

uer the Body

Subsect. 1.

Phlebotomy if need require.

Diet, preparatiues, averters, cordials, purgers as before, sauing that they must not be so vehement.

Vse of pennyroyall, wormewood, centaury sed, which alone hath cured many.

To prouoke vrine with anniseed, daucus, asarum &c. and stooles if need bee by clisters and suppositories.

To respect the splene, stomack, liuer, hypocondries.

To vse treacle now and then in winter.

To vomit after meales sometimes if it be inveterate.

m Cure of Hypocondriacall or windy melancholy.

3. Mem.

2. To expell wind

Inwardly taken

Simples

or

compounds, as

Roots, Herbes, Spices, Seedes { Galanga, gentian, Enula, Angelica, calamus Aromaticus, Zeodary, China, condite ginger &c.

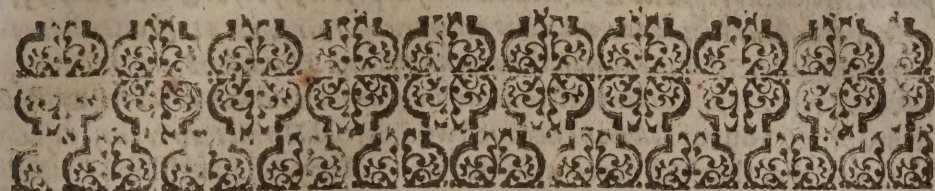
Penyroyall, rue, calamint, Bay leaues, & Berries, Scordium, Bettany, Lavander, camomile, centaury, wormwood, cumin, brome, orange pills.

Saffron, cynamome, mace, nutmeg, pepper, musk, Zeodary with wine &c.

Anniseed, fennell seede, amni, cary, cumin, nettle, bayes, parfly, grana paradisi.

Dianisum, Diagalanga, Diaciminu, Diacalaminthes, Electuarium de bacchis Lauri, Benedicta laxativa, &c. pulvis Carminativus, & pulvis descript. Antidotario Florentino, aromaticu rosatu, Mithridat.

Outwardly vsed, as Cupping-glasses to the Hypocondries without scarification, oyle of camomile, rue, anniseed, their decoctions &c.



THE SECOND PARTITION.

THE CURE OF MELANCHOLY.

SECTION. THE FIRST MEMBER. SUBSECTION.

Vnlawfull Cures reiected.

IN veterate Melancholy, how soeuer it may seeme to be a continuat, inexorable disease, hard to bee cured, accompanying them to their graues most part, as ^a Montanus obserues, yet many times it may bee helped euen that which is most violent, or at least, according to the same ^b author, *it may bee mitigated and much eased. Nil desperandum.* It may be hard, but not impossible, for him that is grieuously affected, if he be but willing to be helped.

^a Consil. 238.
pro Abbate 138.
lo.

^b Consil. 23. *quis
curabitur aut
certè minus affi-
cietur, si volet.*

Vpon this good hope I wil proceed, vsing the same method in the Cure, which I haue formerly vsed in the rehearsing of the causes; first *Generall*, then *Particular*, & those according to their seuerall species. Of these Cures some be *Lawfull*, some againe *Vnlawfull*, which though frequent, familiar, and often vsed, yet iustly censured, and to bee controuerted. As first, whether by these diabolicall meanes, which are commonly practised by the Diuell and his Ministers, Soreerers, Witches, Magitians, &c. by Spells, cabalisticall words, Charmes, Characters, Images, Amulets, Ligatures, Philters, Incantations, &c. This Disease and the like may be cured? and if they may, whether it be lawfull to make vse of them, or for our good to seeke after such meanes in any case? The first whether they can doe any such cures, is questioned amongst many writers, some affirming, some denying. *Valesius cont. med. lib. 5. cap. 6. Malleus Malleficar, Hernius lib. 3. pract. med. cap. 28. Celius lib. 16. cap. 16. Delrio Tom. 3. Wierus lib. 2. de praestig. dem. Lavater de spect. part. 2. cap. 7. Holbrenner the Lutheran in Pistorium, Polydor Virg. lib. 1. de prodig. Tanderus, Lemnius, (Hippocrates, and Avicenna amongst the rest) deny that spirits or diuells haue any power ouer vs, and referre all with Pomponatius of Padua to naturall causes and humours. Of the other opinion are Bodinus *Demonomantia, lib. 3. cap. 2. Arnoldus, Marcellus Empeyricus, I. Pistorius, Paracelsus A-**

podix. *Magic. Agrippa lib. 2 de occult. Philos. cap. 36. 69. 71. 72. & lib. 3. cap. 23. & 10. Marsilius Ficinus de vit. calit. compar. cap. 13. 15. 18. 21. & c. Galeotus de promiscua doct. cap. 24. Iovianus Pontanus Tom. 2. Plin. lib. 28. cap. 2. Strabo, lib. 15. Geog. Leo Suavius: Golenius de vng. armor. Cardan de subtil. brings many proofes out of Solomons decayed workes, old Hermes, Artesius, Costaben Luca, &c. that such cures may bee done. They can stanch blood, cure Gouts, Epilepsies, biting of mad dogs, toothach, Melancholy, &c. by their spells and charmes. ^c Many doubt, saith Nicholas Turrellus, whether the Diuell can cure such diseases as he hath not made, and some flatly deny it, howsoever common experience confirms to our astonishment, that Magicians can worke such feats, and that the diuell without impediment can penetrate through all the parts of our bodies, and cure such maladies by meanes to vs unknowne. Deneus in his tract de Sortiarijs subscribes to this of Turrellus, Erasmus de lamijs, and so doe most diuines, that out of their excellent knowledge and long experience they can commit ^d *agentes cum patientibus, colligere semina rerum, eaq. materia applicare*, as Austin inferres de Civ. Dei & de Trin. lib. 3. cap. 7. & 8. they can worke stupend and admirable conclusions; we see the effects onely, but not the causes of them. Nothing so familiar as to heare of such cures, Sorcerers are too common, Cunning men, Wisards, and white witches, as they call them, in every Village, that if they be sought vnto, will help almost all infirmities of body and minde, that to doubt of it any longer, ^e or not to beleue, were to runne into that other Scepticall extreme of incredulity, saith Turrellus. Leo Suavius in his Comment vpon Paracelsus, seemes to make it an art, which ought to be approued. Pistorius & others stiffly maintaine the vse of charmes, words, characters, &c. *Ars vera est, sed pauci artifices reperiuntur*; The art is true but there be but a few that haue skill in it. Marcellus Donatus lib. 2. de hist. mir. cap. 1. proues out of Iosephus eight books of antiquities, that ^f Solomon so cured all the diseases of the minde by spells, charmes, and droue away Diuells, and that Eleazar did as much before Vespasian. Langius in his med. epist. holds Iuppiter Menecrates, that did so many stupend cures in his time, to haue vsed this art, and that he was no other then a Magitian. Many famous cures are dayly done in this kinde, the Diuell is an expert Physitian, as Godelman calls him, lib. 1. cap. 18. and God permits many times these Witches and Magicians to produce such effects, as Lauater cap. 3. lib. 8. part. 3. cap. 1. Polid. Virg. lib. 1. de prodigijs, Delrio and others admit. Such cures may be done, and as Paracels. Tom. 4. de morb. ament. stiffly maintaines, ^g they cannot otherwise be cured but by spells, scales, and spirituall physicke. ^h Arnoldus lib. de sigillis sets downe the making of them, so doth Rulandus and many others.*

Hoc posito, they can effect such cures, the maine question is whether it bee lawfull in a desperate case, to craue their helpe, or aske a Wisards advice? 'Tis a common practise of some men to goe first to a Witch, and then to a Physitian, if one cannot the other shall. *Electere si nequeunt superos Acheronta mouebunt*. ⁱ It matters not, saith Paracelsus, whether it be God or the Diuell, Angels or vncleane spirits cure him, so that he be eased. Hee calls a ^k Magitian Gods Minister and his Vicar, applying that of *vos estis Dei* prophanely to them, for which he is lashed by T. Erasmus part. fol. 45. And elsewhere he encourageth his patients to haue a good faith, ^l a strong imagination, and they shall

^a Alij dubitant an demon possit morbos curare quos non fecit, alij negant sed quotidiana experientia confirmat, magos magno multorum stupore morbos curare, singulas corporis partes citra impedimentum permeare, & medijs nobis ignotis curare.

^d Agentia cum patientibus coniungunt.

^e Hec alij rident, sed vereor ne dum nolumus esse creduli vitium non effugiamus incredulitatis.

^f Refert Solomonem mentis morbos curasse, & demones abegisse ipsos carminibus, quod & coram Vespasiano fecit Eleazar.

^g Spirituales morbi spiritumaliter curari debent.

^h Sigillum ex auro peculiare ad Melancholiam &c.

ⁱ Lib. 1. de occult. Philos. nihil refert an deus an diabolus, angelian immundi spiritus egro opem ferant, modo morbus curetur.

^k Magus Minister & Vicarius Dei.

^l Vere fortis imaginatione & experientia effectum, dicant in aduersum quicquid volunt Theologi.

shall finde the effects, let Divines say to the contrary what they will. Hee proues & contends that many diseases cannot otherwise be cured, *Incantatione orti, incantatione curari debent*. If they be caused by Incantation, ^m they must be cured by Incantation. *Constantinus lib. 4.* approues of such remedies: *Bartolus* the Lawyer, *Peter Aerodius rerum Indic. lib. 3. tit. 7.* *Salicetus, Godefridus*, with others of that sect, allow of them; *modo sint ad sanitatem, quæ à magis sunt secus non*. So they be for the parties health and good, or not at all. But these men are confuted by *Remigius, Bodin, dam. lib. 3. cap. 2.* *Godelmannus lib. 1. cap. 8.* *wierus, Delrio lib. 6. quest. 2. To. 3. mag. inquis. Erastus de Lamys*, all our ⁿ Divines, Schoolemen, and such as write cases of conscience, are against it, the Scripture it selfe absolutely forbids it as a mortall sinne, *Levit. cap. 18. 19. 20. Deut. 18. & c. Rom. 8. 19.* *Evil is not to be done, that good may come of it.* Much better it were for such patients as are so troubled, to endure a little misery in this life, then to hazard their soules health for euer; & as *Delrio* counselleth, *much better dye, then be so cured*. Some take vpon them to expell Diuels by naturall remedies, and magicall exorcismes, which they seeme to approue out of the practise of the primitive Church, as that aboue cited of *Iosephus, Eleazar, Ireneus, Tertullian, Austin.* *Eusebius* makes mention of such, and Magicke it selfe hath been publicly professed in some Vniuersities, as of old in *Salamanca*: but condemned Anno 1318. by the Chancellor and Vniuersity of *P. Paris*. Our Pontificall Writers retaine many of these adiurations, & formes of Exorcismes still in their Church, besides those in Baptisme vsed, they exorcise meats, and such as are possessed, as they hold, in Christs name. Read *Hieron. Mengus cap. 3. Thyrens part. 3. cap. 58.* what exorcismes they prescribe, besides those ordinary meanes of *9 suffumigations, cutting the ayre* with swords, *cap. 57.* hearbs, orders. Of which *Tostat.* treates. *2. Reg. c. 16. quest. 43.* you shall finde many vaine frivolous, superstitions, formes of exorcismes among them not to be tollerated.

^m Idem Plinius contendit quosdam esse morbos qui incantationibus solum curantur.

ⁿ Qui talibus credunt, aut ad eorum domus eunt, aut suis domibus intrducunt, aut interrogant, sciant se fidem Christianam & Baptismum prevaricasse, & Apostatas esse. *Austin de superst. observ. hoc pacto à Deo deficit, ad diabolum. P. Mart.*

^o Meri prestat quam superstitione sanari. *disquis. mag. lib. 2. cap. 2. sect. 1. quest. 1. Tom. 3. & P. Lombard. 9. Suffitus gladiorum ictus, &c.*

MEMB. 2.

Lawfull cures first from God.

Being so clearely evinced, as it is, that all vnlawfull cures are to be refused, it remaines to treat of such as are to be admitted, and those are commonly such which God hath appointed, ^r by vertue of stones, hearbes, plants, mettles &c. and the like, which are prepared and applyed to our vse, by Art and industry of Physitians, who are the dispensers of such treasures for our good, and to be ^r honoured for necessities sake, Gods intermediate ministers, to whom in our infirmities we are to seeke for helpe. Yet not so that werely too much, or wholly vpon them; *A love principium*, we must first beginne with Prayer, and then vse Physicke, not one without the other, but both together. To pray alone, and reiect ordinary meanes, is to doe like him in *Esop*, that when his Cart was stalled, lay flat on his backe, and cryed aloud, helpe *Hercules*, but that was to little purpose, except as his friend advised him, *rotis tute ipse annitarius*, he whipt his horses withall, & put his shoulder to the wheele. God workes by meanes, as *Christ* cured the blinde man with clay and spittle. *Orandum est ut sit mens sana in corpore sano.*

^r The Lord hath created medicines of the earth, and he that is wise will not abhorre them. *Eccles. 38. 4.* ^r My son faile not in thy sicknesse, but pray vnto the Lord, and hee will make thee whole. *Eccles. 38. 9.* *Huc omne principium huc refer exitum. Hor. 3. carm. Od. 6.*

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As we must pray for health of body and mind, so we must vse our utmost in-
deavours to preferue and continue it. Some kind of Diuels are not cast out,
but by fasting and prayer, and both necessarily required, not one without the
other. For all the Physicke we can vse, art, excellent industry, is to no purpose
without calling vpon God, *Nil inuat immensos Cratere promittere montes.* It
is in vaine to seeke for helpe, runne, ride, except God blesse vs.

^u Musick and
fine fare, can
doe no good.
^x Hor. l. 1. ep. 2.
^y *Sint Crassi &
Crassilicet, non
hos Passolus au-
reas undas a-
gens eripiet un-
quam e miserijs.*

^z *Scientia de
Deo debet in me-
dico infixa esse.*
Mesue Arabs.
*sanat omnes lan-
guores deus.*
For you shall
pray to your
Lord, that hee
would prosper
that which is
giuen foresee,
and then phy-
sicke for the
prolonging of
life. *Ecc. 38. 14*

^a *Omnes optant
quandam in me-
dicinā felicita-
tem, sed hanc nō
est quod expe-
ctent, nisi deum
verā fide inuo-
cent, atq; agros
similiter ad ar-
dentem vocatio-
nem excitent.*

^b *Lemnius d
Gregor. exhor.
ad vitam opt.
instit. cap. 48.*
*Quicquid me-
ditariis aggredi
aut perficere, de-
um in consilium
adhibeto.*

^c *Commentar.
lib. 7. ob infeli-
cem pugnam co-
tristatus, in e-
gritudine inci-
dit; ita ut a me-
dicis curari non
poterat.*

^d *In his animi
malis princeps
imprimis ad de-
um precetur, &
peccatis veniam
exoret, inde ad
medicinam, &c.*

non Sicula dapes

^u *Dulcem elaborabunt saporem,*

Non animum cytherae cantus.

^x *Non domus & fundus, non aris atervus & auri*

Agroto possunt domino deducere febres.

^y With house, with land, with mony, and with gold,

The masters fever will not be control'd.

We must vse prayer and Physicke both together: and so no doubt but our
prayers will be auaileable, and our Physicke take effect. Tis that *Ezechiah*
practised, *2 Kings 20.* *Luke* the Evangelist, and which we are enioyned *Coloss.*
4. not the Patient only, but the Physitian himselfe. *Hippocrates* an Heathen,
required this in a good Practitioner, and so did *Galen.* *l. de Plat. & Hipp. dog.*
lib. 9. cap. 15. and in that Tract of his, *an mores sequantur temp. cor. cap. 11.* tis
a thing which he doth inculcate, & many others. *Hyperius* in his first booke
de sac. script. lec. speaking of that happinesse and good successe, which all
Physicians desire, and hope for in their cures, & tells them, that it is not to bee
expected, except with a true faith they call vpon God, and teach their patients
to doe the like. The Councell of *Laterane*, *Canone 22.* decreed they should do
so; the Fathers of the Church haue still advised as much, Whatsoener thou
takest in hand (saith ^b *Gregory*) let God be of thy counsell, and consult with him;
That healeth those that are broken in heart (*Ps. 147. 3*) and bindeth vp their
sores. Otherwise as the Prophet *Jeremy*, *cap. 46. 11.* denounced to *Aegypt*, in
vaine shalt thou vse many medicines, for thou shalt haue no health. It is the
same counsell which ^c *Comineus* that politick Historiographer giues to all
Christian princes, vpon occasiō of that vnhappy ouerthrow of *Charles Duke*
of *Burgundy*, by meanes of which he was extreamely melancholy, and sicke
to death: In so much that neither Physick, nor perswasion could do him any
good, perceiuing his preposterous errour belike, adviseth all great men in
such cases, ^d to pray first to God, with all submission and penitency, to confesse
their sinnes, and then to vse Physicke. The very same fault it was, which the
Prophet reprehends in *Asa* king of *Iuda*, that he relyed more on physicke
then on God, and by all meanes would haue him to amend. And is a fit cau-
tion to be obserued of all other sorts of men. The Prophet *Dauid* was so ob-
servant of this precept, that in all his misery and vexation of minde, hee put
this rule first in practise. *Ps. 77. 3.* *When I am in heavinesse, I will thinke on*
God, Ps. 86. 4. *Comfort the soule of thy seruant, for vnto thee I lift vp my soule.*
& ver. 7. *In the day of trouble will I call vpon thee, for thou hearest me, Ps. 54.*
1. *Sau me O God, by thy Name &c. Ps. 82. Ps. 20.* And tis the common pra-
ctise of all good men, *Ps. 107. 13.* *When their heart was humbled with heauines,*
they cryed to the Lord in their trouble, and hee deliuered them from their dis-
stresse. And they haue found good successe in so doing, as *Dauid* confesseth,
Ps. 30. 11. *Thou hast turned my ioy into mourning, thou hast loosed my sack,*
and

and girded mee with gladnesse. Therefore he adviseth all others to doe the like, *Psalm. 31. 24. All ye that trust in the Lord, be strong, and he shall establish your heart.* It is reported by *Suidas*, speaking of *Ezechiah*, that there was a great book of old, of *King Solomons* writing, which contained medicines for all manner of diseases, and lay still open as they came into the Temple: but *Ezechiah* king of *Ierusalem*, caused it to be taken away, because it made the people secure, to neglect their dutie in calling and relying vpon God, out of a confidence on those remedies. *Minutius* that worthy Consull of *Rome*, in an Oration hee made to his souldiers, was much offended with them, and taxed their ignorance, that in their misery, called more on him, then vpon God. A generall fault it is all ouer the World, and *Minutius* his speech concerns vs all, we rely more on Physicke, and seeke more to Physitians, then to God himselfe. As much faulty are they that prescribe, as they that aske, respecting more their gaine, and trusting more to their ordinary receipts and medicines many times, then to him that made them. I would wish all Patients in this behalfe, in the midst of their melancholy, to remember that of *Siracides*, *Ecc. 1. 12. and 12. The feare of the Lord is glory and gladnesse, and redyng. The feare of the Lord maketh a merry heart, and giueth gladnesse, and joy, and long life.* And all such as prescribe Physick, to beginne in nomine Dei, as *Mesue* did, to imitate *Laelius à Fonte Eugubinus*, that in all his consultations, still concludes with a prayer for the good successe of his businesse; and to remember that of *Crato* one of their predecessors, *fuge avaritiam, & sine oratione, & invocatione Dei, nihil facias.* Avoide covetousnesse, and doe nothing without invocation vpon God.

*Greg. Tholos.
To. 2. lib. 28. c. 7
Syntax. In ve.
stibulo templi
Salomon. liber
remediorum cu-
iusq. morbi fuit,
que in revulsit
Ezechias, quod
populus neglecto
deo nec invocato,
sanitatem
inde peteret.*

*Livius lib. 23.
Strepunt aures
clamoribus plo-
rantium socio-
rum, sepius nos
quam deorum
invocantium
opem.*

*Rulandus ad-
iungit optimam
orationem ad
finem Empyrico-
rum. Mercuri-
lis consil. 25. ita
concludit. Mer-
tanus passim
Ec. & plures
Alij Ec.*

MEMB. 3.

Whether it be lawfull to seeke to Saints for aide in this Disease.

THAT we must pray to God, no man doubts; but whether wee should pray to Saints in such cases, or whether they can doe vs any good, it may be lawfully controuerted. Whether their Images, Shrines, Reliques, consecrated things, holy water, benedictions, those diuine amulets, holy exorcismes, and the signe of the Crosse be availeable in this disease. The Papists on the one side stily maintaine, how many melancholy, mad, demoniacall persons are dayly cured at *Saint Anthonies* Church in *Padua*, at *S^t Vitus* in *Germany*, by our Lady of *Loretta* in *Italy*, our Lady of *Sichem* in the low Countries? *Quæ & cæcis lumen, ægris salutem, mortuis vitam, claudis gressum reddit, omnes morbos corporis, animi, curat, & in ipsos demones imperium exercet;* she cures halt, lame, blind, all diseases of body & minde, & commands the divell himselfe, saith *Lipsius*. 25000 in a day come thither, *quis nisi numen in illum locum sic induxit?* who brought them? *in auribus, in oculis omnium gesta, nova novitia.* New newes lately done, our eyes and eares are full of her cures, and who can relate them all? They haue a proper Saint almost for every peculiar infirmity, for poyson, gouts, agues, *Petronella*: *S^t Romanus* for such as are possessed: *Valentine* for the falling sicknes; *S^t Vitus* for madmen &c. and as of old, *Pliny* reckons vp gods for all diseases, *Febris fanum dicatum est*, *Lilius Giraldus* repeates many of her ceremonies: all affections of the

Lipsius.

1. Cap. 26.

*Lib. 2. cap. 7.
de Deo. Morbisq.
in genera de se-
ptis, deo reperi-
unt.*

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¹ Selden. prolog. cap. 3. de dyt Syris. Rosinus.
² See Lily Giraldi syntagma de dyt &c.
³ 12. Cal. Ianuarij, ferias celebrant, ut angores, & animi sollicitudines propitiata depellant.
⁴ Hanc diue pennam consecraui Lipsius.

minde were heretofore accounted gods, ¹ Love, and Sorrow, Vertue, Honour, Liberty, Contumely, Impudency, had their Temples, Tempests, Seasons, Creptus Ventris, dea Vacuna, dea Cloacina, there was a goddesse of Idleness, a goddesse of the draught, or lakes, Prema, Premunda, Priapus, bawdy gods, and gods for all ^m offices. Varro reckons vp 30000 gods; Lucian makes Podagra the gowt a goddesse, and assigns her Priests and Ministers: and Melancholy comes not behind: for as Austin mentioneth lib. 4. de Civit. Dei. cap. 9. there was of old Angerona dea, and she had her Chappell and Feasts, to whom (saith ^m Macrobius) they did offer sacrifice yearely, that she might be pacified as well as the rest. Tis no new thing, you see, this of Papists; and in my iudgement, that old doting Lipsius, might haue fitter dedicated his ^o pen after all his labours, to this our goddesse of Melancholy, then to his Virgo Hallensis, and haue beene her Chaplin, it would haue becomed him better: But he, poore man, thought no harme in that which he did, and will not be perswaded but that he did well, he hath so many patrons, and honorable precedents in the like kind, that iustifie as much, as eagerly, and more then he there saith of his Lady and Mistris: read but superstitious Coffer and Gretfers Tract de Cruce. Lanr. Arcturus Fantus de Inuoc. Sanct. Bellarmine, Delrio dis. mag. To. 3. lib. 6. quest. 2. sect. 3. Greg. Tholosanus Tom. 2. lib. 8. cap. 24. Syntax. Strozius Cicogna lib. 4. cap. 9. Tyreus, Hieronymus Mengus, and you shall finde infinite examples of cures done in this kind, by holy waters, reliques, crosses, exorcismes, amulets, Images, consecrated beades &c. Barradius the Iesuite, boldly giues it out, that Christs Countenance, and the Virgin Maries, would cure Melancholy, if one had looked stedfastly on them. P. Morales the Spaniard in his booke de pulch. Ies. & Mar. confirms the same out of Carthusianus, and I know not whom, that it was a common proverb in those dayes, for such as were troubled in minde. Eamus ad videndum filium Maria, as they doe now goe to St^e Antonies in Padua, or to St^e Hilaries at Poicters in France. ^p In a closet of this Church, there is at thisday St^e Hilaries bed to be seen, to which they bring all the madmen in the Countrey, and after some prayers, and other ceremonies, they lay them downe there to sleepe, and so they recover. It is an ordinary thing in those parts, to send all their mad men to St^e Hilaries Cradle. They say the like of St^e Tubery in ^q another place. Giraldus Cambrensis Itin. Camb. cap. 1. tells strange stories of St^e Ciricius staffe, that would cure this, & all other diseases. Others say as much (as [†] Hospinian obserues) of the three Kings of Colen, their names written in Parchment, and hung about a Patients necke, with the signe of the Crosse, will produce like effects. Read Lipomannus, or that golden Legend of Iacobus de Voragine, you shal haue infinite stories; or those new relations of our ^r Iesuites in Iapona and China, of Mat. Riccius, Acosta, Loiola, Xaverius life &c. Jasper Belga a Iesuite, cured a mad woman, by hanging St^e Iohns Gospell about her neck, and many such. Holy-water did as much in Iapona &c. Nothing so familiar in their workes, as such examples.

But wee on the other side, seeke to God alone. We say with David, Psal. 46. 1. God is our hope and strength, and helpe in trouble, ready to be found. For their Catalogue of examples, we make no other answer, but that they are false fictions, or Diabollicall illusions, counterfeite miraeles. We cannot deny but that it is an ordinary thing on St^e Antonies day in Padua, to bring diuers mad

² Fodocus Sincerus itin. Gal. lue 1417. Huc mente captos deducunt, & statim orationibus, sacrisq; peractis, in illum lectum dormitum ponunt &c.
³ In Gallia Narbonensi.
[†] Lib. de orig. Fistorum. Cotto suspensa, & pergameno inscripta, cum signo crucis &c.
⁴ Em. Acosta com. rerum in Oriente gest. a societ. Ies. Anno 1568.
 Epist. Gonsalvi Fernandes Anno 1560. e Iapona.

mad men & demoniacall persons to be cured: but we deny that such parties are so affected indeed, but so prepared by their Priests, by certain oyntments and drammes, to cosen the commonalry, as ¹ Hildisheim well saith; the like is commonly practised in Bohemia, as Mathiolus giues vs to vnderstand in his preface to his Comment vpon Dioscorides, tricks only to get opinion & mony, meere impostures. *Esculapius* of old, that counterfeit god, did as many famous cures; his Temple (as ¹ Strabo relates) was dayly full of Patients, and as many seuerall tables, inscriptions, pendants, donaries &c. to be seen in his Church, as at this day at our Lady of Loretta's in Italy. It was a custome long since

— suspendisse potenti
Vestimenta maris deo. (Hor. od. 1. lib. 5. od.)

to doe the like, in former times they were seduced and deluded as they are now. 'Tis the same diuell still, called heretofore *Apollo*, *Mars*, *Neptune*, *Venus*, *Esculapius* &c. as ¹ Lactantius lib. 2. de orig. erroris, cap. 17. obserues. The same *Iupiter*, and those bad Angels, are now worshipped and adored by the names of *S^t Sebastian*, *Barbara* &c. *Christopher* and *George* are come in their places. Our Lady succedes *Venus* (as they vse her in many offices) the rest are supplied, as ² Lavater writes, and so they are deluded. ¶ And God often winks at these impostures, because they forsake his word, and betake themselves to the diuell, as they doe that seeke after holy water, crosses &c. *wierus* lib. 4. cap. 3. What can these men plead for themselves more then those heathen gods, the same cures done by both, the same spirit that seduceth: or put case they could helpe, why should wee rather seeke to them, then to Christ himselfe, since that he so kindly invites vs to him, come vnto me all yee that are heavy laden, and I will ease you, *Mat. 11.* and we know that there is one God, one Mediator betwixt God and man *Iesus Christ*. (*Tim. 2. 5.*) who gaue himselfe a ransom for all men. We know that wee haue an ² Advocate with the Father, *Iesus Christ*, (*1. Iohn 2. 1.*) that there is no other name vnder Heauen, by which wee can be saued, but by his, who is alwayes ready to heare vs, and sits at the right hand of God, and from ² whom we can haue no repulse, *solus vult, solus potest, curat universos tanquam singulos, & b unumquemq; nostrum ut solum.* We are all as one to him, and he cares for vs all as one, and why should wee then seeke to any other but to him?

MEMB. 4. SUBSECT. I.

Physitian, Patient, Physicke.

OF those diuers gifts which our Apostle *Paul* saith, God hath bestowed on man, this of Physicke is not the least, as most necessary, and especially conducing to the good of mankind. Next therefore to God in all our extremities (for of the most high commeth healing, *Ecclus 38. 2.*) wee must seeke to, and rely vpon the Physitian, ^c who is *manus Dei*, saith *Hierophylus*, and to whom he hath giuen knowledge, that he might be glorified in his wondrous works *with such doth he heale men, and taketh away their paines, Ecclus 38. 6. 7. when thou hast need of him, let him not goe from thee.* The houre may come that their enterprises may haue good successe, *ver. 13.* It is not therefore to be doubted, that if we seeke a Physitian as we ought, we may be eased

¹ Spicel. de mor-
bis demoniacis,
sic à sacrificiis
parati unguenta
Magis corpori
illis, ut stultae
plebecule per-
suadeant tales
curari à Sancto
Antonio.

² Greg lib. 8.
Cuius sanum &
groantium mul-
titudine refer-
tum, undiquaq;
& tabellus pen-
dentibus, in qui-
bus sanati lan-
guores erant in-
scripti.

³ Mali angeli
sumpsit olim
nomen Iouis, Iu-
nonis, Apollinis,
&c. quos Gentiles
deos crede-
bant, nunc S^t i
Sebastiani, Bar-
bare &c. nomen
habent, & alio-
rum.

⁴ Parte 2. cap. 9
de spec. Veneri
substituit Vir-
ginem Mariam,
¶ Ad hoc Iudi-
cia Deus com-
muet frequen-
ter, ubi relin-
quit verbo Dei, ad
Satanam currit,
quales hi
sunt, qui aquam
lustralem, cras-
sem &c. lubricae
fidei hominibus
offerunt.

⁵ Charior est ip-
sis homo quam
sibi.

Paul.

^a Bernard.

^b Austin.

^c Ecclus 38.
In the sight of
great men he
shall be in ad-
miration.

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^a Tom. 4. Tract.
1. de morbis a-
mentium.

Horum multu
non nisi a Ma-
gis curandi, &
Astrologis, quo-
niam origo eius
a caelis petenda
est.

^c Lib. de Foda-
gra.

^d Sect. 5.

^e Langius.

1. Caesar Claudi-
nus consule.

^h Predestinatus
ad hunc curan-
dum.

ⁱ Helleborus cu-
rat, sed quod ab
omni datus me-
dico, vanum est.

^k Quod sepe e-
venit lib. 3. cap.

1. cum non sit
necessitas.

Frustra fatigant
remediis egros,
qui victus rati-
one curari pos-
sunt. Hernius.

^l Modestus &
sapiens medicus,
nunquam prope-
rabit ad phar-
macu, nisi cogente
necessitate.

^m Aphor. pra-
dens & pius me-
dicus, cibis prius
medicinal. qua
medicinis puris
morbum expel-
lere satagit.

ⁿ Brev. 1. 1. c. 18

ⁿ Similitudo
sepe bonis me-
dicis imponit.

^o Qui melan-
cholicis prebent
remedia non sa-
tis valida.

Longiores morbi
imprimis soler-
tiam medici po-
stulant, & fide-
litatem, qui e-
nim tumultua-
rie hos tractant,
vix se absq. ullo
commodo le-
dunt & fran-
gunt &c.

of our infirmities, and to such a one as is sufficient, and worthily so called; for there be many Mountebankes, Quacksaluers, Emperickes, in every streete almost, and in every village, that take vpon them this name, make this noble and profitable Art to be euill spoken of, & contemned, by reason of such base and illiterate Artificers: but such a one I speake of, as is approued, learned, skilfull, honest, &c. of whose duty *Wecker Antid. cap. 2. & Syntax. med. Crato. Iulius Alexandrinus lib. de med. Hernius prax. med. lib. 3. cap. 1. &c.* treat at large. For this particular disease, he that shall take vpon him to cure it, ^d *Paracelsus* wil haue to be a Magician, a Chimist, a Philosopher, an Astrologer. *Thurnefferus*, *Severinus the Dane*, and some other of his followers, require as much: many of them cannot be cured but by Magicke. ^e *Paracelsus* is so stiffe for his Chemicall medicines, that in his cures he will admit almost of no other Physick, deriding in the meane time *Hippocrates*, *Galen*, and all their followers: but Magick, and all such remedies I haue already censured, & shall speake of Chimiſtrie ^f elsewhere. Astrology is required by many famous Physitians, by *Ficinus*, *Crato*, *Fernelius*, & doubred of, & exploded by others. I will not take vpon me to decide the Controuersy. *Paracelsus* goes farther, & will haue his Physitian ^h predestinated to this mans cure, this malady, and time of cure, of gathering of herbs, of administering Astrologically obserued; in which *Thurnefferus*, and some *latromathematicall* professors, are too superstitious in my Iudgment. ⁱ *Hellebor* will helpe, but not alway, not giuen by euery Physitian &c. but these men are too peremptory, and selfe-conceited as I thinke. But what doe I doe, interposing in that which is beyond my reach? a blind man cannot iudge of colours, nor I peradventure of these things. Only this much I would require, Honesty in euery Physitian, that he be not ouercarelesse or covetous, *Harpy*-like to make a prey of his Patient, as an hungry Chirurgion often produce & wiew-draw his cure, so long as there is any hope of pay, *Non missura cutem, nisi plena cruoris hirudo.*

Many of them to get a fee, will giue Physicke to euery one that comes, when there is no cause, & so irritate silentem morbum, as ^k *Hernius* complains, stirre vp a silent disease, which often falls out; which by good counsell good advice alone, might haue bin composed, or by rectification of those six non-naturall things, otherwise cured. This is *Natura bellum inferre*, to oppugne Nature, & to make a strong body weak. *Arnoldus* in his 8. & 11. Aphorismes giues cautions against, & expressly forbids it. ^l *A wise Physitian will not giue Physicke, but vpon necessity, and first try medicinall diet, before hee proceede to medicinall cure.* In another place he laughes those men to scorne, that think longis syrupis expugnare demones, & animi phantasmata, they can purge phantasticall Imaginations, the diuell by Physicke. Another caution is, that they proceed vpon good grounds, if so be there be need of Physick, & not mistake the disease, they are often deceiued by the ^m similitude of Symptomes, saith *Hernius*, and I could giue instance in many Consultations, wherein they haue prescribed opposite Physicke. Sometimes they goe too perfunctorily to worke, in not prescribing a iust course of Physicke, to stirre vp the humor, & not to purge it, doth often more harme then good. *Montanus consil. 30.* inueighes against such perturbations, that purge to the halfe, fyre Nature, and molest the body to no purpose. Tis a crabbed humor to purge; and as *Laurentius* calls this disease, the reproach of Physitians; *Bessaridus. flagellum medicorum,*

dicorum, their lath; & for that cause, more carefully to be respected. Though the Patient be averse, saith *Laurentius*, desire help, and refuse it again, though he neglect his own health, it behoues a good Physitian, not to leaue him helpelesse. But most part they offend in that other extreame, they prescribe too much Physick, and tire out their bodies with continuall potions, to no purpose. *Etius tetrabib. 2. ser. 2. cap. 90.* will haue them by all meanes therefore to giue some respite to Nature, to leaue off now & then: & *Lalius à Fonte Agubinus* in his consultation, found it (as he there witnesseth) often verified by experience, that after a deale of Physicke to no purpose, left to themselves, they haue recovered. Tis that which *Nic. Piso*, *Donatus Altomarus*, still inculcate, *dare requiem Nature*, to giue Nature rest.

P *Natura remissionem dare oportet.*

¶ *Plevig hoc morbo medicina nihil profecisse visi sunt, & sibi demissi inuenerunt.*

SVBSEC. 2.

Concerning the Patient.

When all these precedent cautions are accurately kept, & that wee haue now got a skilfull honest Physitian to our minde, if his Patient will not be conformable, & be content to be ruled by him, all his endeavors will be to no good end. Many things are necessarily to be observed & continued on the Patients behalfe; First, that he bee not too negligently miserable of his purse, or thinke it too much he bestowes vpon himselfe, to saue charges, endanger his health. The *Abderites*, when they sent for *Hippocrates*, promised him what reward he would, all the gold they had, if all their City were gold, he should haue it. *Naaman* the Syrian, when he went into *Israel* to *Elisha*, to be cured of his Leprosy, tooke with him ten talents of siluer, and six thousand pieces of gold, & ten change of rayments (a Kings 5. 5.) Another thing is, that out of bashfulness, he doe not conceale his griete, if ought trouble his mind, let him freely disclose it,

Abderitani & pist. Hippoc. Quicquid curi apud nos est, libenter persoluemus, etiam nisi tota urbs nostra auxilium esset.

Stultorum incurat a pudor malus ulcera celat,

by that meanes, he procures to himselfe great mischief, and runnes into a greater inconvenience: He must be willing to be cured, & earnestly desire it. *Pars sanitatis velle sanari fuit. (Seneca.)* Tis a part of his cure, to wish his own health; and not to deferre it too long.

Qui blandiendo dulce nutrit vit malum,

Serò recusat ferre quòd subijt iugum.

Et

¶ *Seneca.*

Helleborum frustra quum iam cutis agra tumebit,

Poscentes videas, venienti occurrere morbo.

¶ *Per. 3. Sat.*

He that by cherishing, a mischief doth provoke

Too late at last refuseth to cast off his yoke.

When the skin swels, to seeke it to appease,

With Hellebor is vaine; meet your disease.

by this meanes many times, or through their ignorance in not taking notice of their grievance & danger of it, contempt, supine negligence, extenuation, wretchednes & peeuishnesse, they vndoe themselves, & often out of a preiudice, a lothing, & distaste of Physick, they had rather dye, or doe worse, then take any of it. *Barbarous immanity* (¶ *Melanchthon* termes it) and folly to be deplored, so to contemne the precepts of health, good remedies, and voluntarily to

¶ *De animâ. Barbarâ tamen immanitate, & deplorandâ insensitâ, contemnunt præcepta sanitatis, morbos & morbos alios asserunt.*

pull death, and many maladies vpon their own heads. Though many againe are in that other extreame too profuse, suspicious & jealous of their health, too apt to take Physicke vpon euery small occasion, to aggravate euery small passion, imperfection, impediment: if their finger doe but ake, run, ride, send for a Physician, as many Gentlewomen frequently doe, that are sick without a cause, & when they will themselves, vpon euery toy or small discontent; & when he comes, they make it worse then it is, by amplifying that which is not. * Hier. Capiuaccius sets it downe as a common fault of all melancholy persons, to say their symptoms are greater then they are, to helpe themselves. And which I Mercurialis notes, consil. 53. to be more troublesome to their Physicians, then other ordinary Patients, that they may haue change of Physicke.

A third thing to be required in a Patient, is confidence, to be of good cheare, & haue good hope that his Physitian can help him. ^a Damascen the Arabian requires likewise in the Physitian himself, that he be confident that he can cure him, otherwise his Physick will not be effectual, & promise him withall, that he will certainly help him, make him beleue so at least. ^a Galeottus giues the reason, because the forme of health is contained in the Physicians minde; & as Galen holds, ^b confidence and hope doe more good then Physicke, he cures most, in whom most are confident. Paracelsus assignes it for an only cause, why Hippocrates was so fortunate in his cures, not for any extraordinary skill he had; but ^c because the common people had a most strong concept of his worth. To this of confidence, we may adde perseuerance, & obedience, constancy, not to change his Physitian, or dislike him vpon euery toy, for he that so doth (saith ^d Ianus Damascen) or consults with many, falls into many errors; or that useth many medicines. It was a chiefe caveat of ^e Seneca to his friend Lucilius, that he should not alter his Physitian, or prescribed Physicke; Nothing hinders health more, a wound can neuer be cured that hath seuerall plasters. Crato consil. 186. taxeth all melancholy persons of this fault: ^f Tis proper to them, if things fall not out to their minde, and that they haue not present ease, to seeke another, and another; twenty, one after another, and they still promise all to cure them, try a thousand remedies, and by this meanes they encrease their malady, and make it most dangerous and difficult to be cured. They try many (saith Montanus) and profit by none: and for this cause consil. 24. he inioynes his Patient before he take him in hand, ^h perseuerance and sufferance, for in such a small time, no great matter can bee effected, and vpon that condition he will administer Physicke, otherwise all his endeavour and counsell would be so small purpose. And in his 31. counsell for a noble matron, he tels her ⁱ if she will be cured, shee must be of a most abiding patience, faithfull obedience, and singular perseuerance, if she remit or despaire, shee can expect or hope for no good successe. Consil. 230. for an Italian Abbat, he makes it one of the greatest reasons, why this disease is so incurable, ^k because the parties are so restlesse, and impatient, and will therefore haue him that intends to be eased, to take Physicke, ^l not for a moneth, a yeare but to apply himselfe to their prescriptions, all the dayes of his life. Last of all, it is required that the Patient bee not too bold to practise

* Consil. 173.
2 Scolizio.

Melancholicorum
hoc ferè promi-
um est, ut gravi-
ora dicant esse
symptomata,
quã reuera sunt
Melancholici
pleruq; medicis
sunt molesti, ut
alia alijs adiun-
gant.

2 Oportet infir-
mo imprimere
salutem, uiciniq;
promittere, etsi
ipse desperet.

Nullum medi-
camentum effi-
cax, nisi medicus
etiam fuerit,
suis imaginati-
onis.

2 De promiss.
doct. cap. 15.

Quoniam (ani-
matis formam a-
nima medici
continet.

b Spes & confi-
dentia, plus va-
lent quàm me-
dicina.

c Felicitas in
medicinâ ob fi-
dem ethnicorū.

d Aphorif. 89.

Eger qui pluri-
mos consulit me-
dicos; plerumq;
in errorem sin-
gularum cadit.

e Nihil ita sani-
tatem inuadit,
ac remedium
crebra mutati-
one venit vul-
nus ad cicatri-
cem in quo li-
uersa medica-

menta tentan-
tur.

f Melancholicorum proprium, quum ex eorum arbitrio non fit subita mutatio in melius, alterare medicos qui quidvis, &c.

g Consil. 31. Dum ad varia se conferunt, nullo profunt.

h Imprimis hoc statuere oportet et requiri perseuerantiam & tolerantiam. Exi-
quo enim tempore nihil ex &c.

i Si curari vult, opus est pertinaci perseuerantiâ, fidei obedientiâ, & patientiâ singulari, si tardet aut
desperet, nullum habebit effectum.

k Egritudine amittunt patientiam, & inde morbi incurabiles.

l Non ad mensum aut annum, sed
oportet tota vite curricula curationi operam dare.

vpon himfelfe, without an approued Physitians consent, or to try conclusions, if he read a Receipt in a Book; for so, many grossely mistake, & do themselves more harme then good. That which is good to one man, in one case, at one time, is opposite to another. † An Asse & a Mule went laden ouer a brooke, the one with salt, the other with wooll. The Mules pack was wet by chance, the salt melted, his burden the lighter, & he thereby much eased. He told the Asse, who thinking to speed as wel, wet his pack likewise at the next water, but it was much the heauier, hee quite tired. So one thing may bee good, and bad to seuerall parties, vpon diuers occasions. *Many things* (saith *Penottus*) *are written in our bookes, which seeme to the Reader to be excellent remedies, but they that make vse of them, are often deceived, and take for Physicke, poyson.* I remember in *Valleriolas* obseruations, a story of one *Iohn Baptist* a *Neopolitan*, that finding by chance a pamphlet in *Italian*, written in praise of *Hellebor*, would needs adventure on himfelfe, and tooke 3 j for 3 j: and had not he bin sent for, the poore fellow had poysoned himfelfe. From whence he concludes out of *Damascenus* 2 & 3. *Aphor.* *that without exquisite knowledge, to worke out of bookes is most dangerous: how unsavory a thing it is to beleue Writers, and take vpon trust, as this Patient perceived by his owne perill.* I could recite such another example of mine own knowledge, of a friend of mine, that finding a Receipt in *Brassivola*, would needs take *Hellebor* in substance, & try it on his own person; but had not some of his familiars come to visite him by chance, he had by his indiscretion hazarded himfelfe, many such I have obserued. These are those ordinary cautions, which I should think fit to be noted, and he that shall keep them, as *Montanus* saith, shall surely be much eased, if not thoroughly cured.

† *Camerarius*
emb. 55. cent. 2.
m Prefat. de
nar. med.
In libellis que
vulgo versantur
apud literatos
incantiones,
multa legunt, a
quibus decipi-
untur, eximia
illis, sed porten-
tosum bauriant
venenum.
n Operari ex li-
bris, absq; cogni-
tione & solerti
ingenio pericu-
losum est.
Vnde monetur,
quam inspidum
scriptis autori-
bus credere,
quod hic suo di-
dicit periculo.
o *Consil.* 23. hac
omnia si quo or-
dine decet egerit,
vel curabitur,
vel certe minus
afficietur.

SVBSEC. 3.

Concerning Physicke.

Phyicke it selfe in the last place is to be considered: for the Lord hath created medicines of the earth, and he that is wise will not abhorre them, *Ecclesi* 38. 4. ver. 8. *of such doth the Apothecary make a confession &c.* Of these medicines there be diuers & infinite kinds, plants, metalls, animals, &c. & those of seuerall natures, some good for one, hurtfull to another: some noxious in themselves, corrected by Art, very wholesome & good, simples, mixt &c. & therefore left to be managed by discreet & skilfull Physitians, & thence applyed to mans vse. To this purpose they haue invented method, & seuerall rules of Art, to put these remedies in order, for their particular ends. Physicke (as *Hippocrates* defines it) is nought els but *P addition and substra-*
tion; & as it is required in all other diseases, so in this of melancholy it ought to be most accurate, it being (as *Mercurialis* acknowledgeth) so common an affection in these our times, and therefore fit to be vnderstood. Seuerall prescripts & methods I finde in seuerall men, some take vpon them to cure all maladies with one medicine, seuerally applyed, as that *Panacea*, *Antiphotabile*, so much controverted in these dayes, *herba solis* &c. *Paracelsus* reduceth all diseases to 4 principall heads, to whom *Severinus*, *Ravellascus*, *Leo Savini*, and others adhere & imitate: those are *Leprosie*, *Gout*, *Dropse*, *Fallings*

† *Fuchsius* sup.
2. lib. 1.
n In pract. med.
hac affectio no-
stis temporibus
frequentissima,
ergo maxime
pertinet ad nos
huius curatione
intelligere.

200

* Si aliquis ho-
rum morborum
summum sana-
tur, sanantur
omnes inferiores.

Falling-sicknesse. To which they reduce the rest, as to *Leprosy*, ulcers, itches, fures, scabbes &c. To *Gout*, stone, cholicke, tooth-ache, head-ache &c. To *Dropsie*, Agues, Jaundies, *Cacexia* &c. To the *Falling-sicknesse* belong *Palsy*, *Vertigo*, *Cramps*, *Convulsions*, *Incubus*, *Apoplexy*, &c.* If any of these foure principall be cured (saith *Ravellascus*) all the inferior be cured, and the same remedies commonly serue: but this is too generall, and by some contradicted; for this peculiar disease of *Melancholy*, of which I am now to speake, I find severall cures, severall methods, and prescripts. They that intend the practick cure of *Melancholy*, saith *Duretus* in his notes to *Hollerius*, set downe nine peculiar scopes or ends, *Savanarola* prescribes 7. especiall Canons. *Ælianus Montaltus* cap. 26. *Faentinus* in his *Empiricks*, *Hercules de Saxonia*, &c. haue their severall iniunctions and rules, all tending to one end. The ordinary is threefold, which I meane to follow. *Diætica*, *Pharmaceutica*, and *Chirurgica*; Diet or Liuing, Apothecary, Chirurgery, which *Wecker*, *Crato*, *Guianerius* &c. and most prescribe, of which I will insist, and speake in their order.

SECT. 2.

MEMB. I. SUBSEC. I.

Diet rectified in substance.

* In lib. cap. 8.
f. 1. i. victus
nomine non tam
cibus & potus,
sed aer, exerci-
tatio, somnus,
vigilia, & reli-
que res sex non-
naturales conti-
nentur.

* Sufficit plo-
rumq; regimen
verum lex non-
naturalium.

* Et in his po-
tissima sanitas
consistit.

* Nihil hic a-
gendum sine ex-
quisita vivendi
ratione &c.

* Si recens ma-
lum sit ad pristi-
num habitum
recuperandum,
aliâ medela non
est opus.

* Consil. 99. lib.
2. si celsitudo
sua, y& tam vi-
tus rationem
&c.

* Memento Domine, ut sis prudens ad victum, sine quo, cetera remedia frustra adhibentur. b Omnia remedia irrita & vana sine his. Novissis me pletosq; ita laborantes victu perdis, quam medicamentis curasse.

Diet, *Diætica*, *Victus* or Liuing, according to *Fuchsius* & others, com- prehends those sixe non naturall things, which I haue before specifi- ed, are especiall causes, and being rectified, a sole or chiefe part of the Cure. * 10. *Arculanus* cap. 16. in 9. *Rhassis*, accompts the rectifying of these six, a sufficient cure. *Guianerius* *Tract. 15. cap. 9.* calls it, *proprium & primam curam*, the principall cure: so doth *Montanus*, *Crato*, *Mercurialis*, *Altomarus* &c. first to be tried, *Lemnius* *inslit. cap. 22.* calls them the hinges of our health, "no hope of recovery without them. *Reinerus Solenander* in his 7. consulta- tion for a Spanish yong Gentlewoman, that was so melancholy, shee abhor- red all company, & would not sit at table with her familiar friends, prescribes this Physicke about the rest, * no good to be done without it. y *Areteus l. 1. cap. 7.* an old Physitian, is of opinion, that this is enough of it selfe, if the party be not too farre gone in sicknesse. z *Crato* in a consultation of his for a noble Patient, tels him plainly, that if his Highnesse will keepe but a good diet, hee will warrant him his former health. a *Montanus* *consil. 27.* for a Nobleman of *France*, admonisheth his Lordship to be most circumspect in his Diet, or els all his other Physicke will be to small purpose. The same iniunction I find verbatim in *1. Caesar Claudinus*, *Respon. 34.* *Scoltzj* *consil. 183.* *Trallianus* *cap. 16 lib. 1.* and *Lelius à Fonte Agubinus* often bragges, that he hath done more cures in this kind by rectification of Diet, then all other Physick. So that in a word I may say to most melancholy men, as the Fox said to the Wefell, that could not get out of the garner, *Macra cauum repetes, quem macra subisti*, the six non-naturall things caused it, and they must cure it. Which how soeuer I

treat of, as proper to the Meridian of melancholy, yet neuerthelesse, that which is here said, will generally serue c most other diseases, and ease them likewise, if it be obserued.

Of these six non-naturall things, the first is Diet, properly so called, which consists in meat & drinke, in which wee must consider Substance, Quantity, Quality, and that, opposite to the precedent. In Substance, such meates are generally commended, which are d moist, easie of digestion, and not apt to ingender winde, not fryed, nor roasted, but sod (saith *Valescus*, *Altomarus*, *Piso*, &c.) hote and moist, and of good nourishment; *Crato* *consil.* 21. lib. 2. admits rost meat, if the burned and scorched superficies, the browne we call it, bee pared off. *Salvianus* lib. 2. cap. 1. cries out on cold and dry meates, f yong flesh and tender is approued, as of a kid, rabbits, chickens, veale, mutton, capons, hens, partridge, pheasant, and all mountaine birds. *Galen* takes exception at mutton, but without question, he meanes that rammy mutton, which is in *Turkie* and *Asia minor*, which haue those great fleshy tailes, of 48 pound weight, as *Vertomannus* witnesseth, *navig.* lib. 2. cap. 5. The leane of fat meat is best, & all manner of brothes & pottage, with burrage, lettice, and such wholesome hearbes are excellent good; especially of a Cock, all spoone meat. *Arabians* commend braines, but s *Laurentius* cap. 8. excepts against them, & so doe many others; h Egges are iustified as a nutritiue wholesome meat. Butter and oyle may passe, but with some limitation, so * *Crato* confines it, and to some men sparingly at set times, or in sauce, and so sugar and hony are approued. i All sharp and sowre sauces must be avoided, & spices, or at least seldome vsed: & so saffron somerimes in broth may bee tolerated; but these things may bee more freely vsed, as the temperature of the party is hote or cold, or as hee shall find inconvenience by them. The thinnest, whitest, finallest wine is best, not thicke, nor strong; & so of Beere, the midling is fittest. Bread of good wheat, pure, wel purged from the bran; *Laurentius* cap. 8. would haue it kneaded with raine water, if it may be had.

Pure water by all meanes vse, which (as *Pindarus* holds) is better then gold, an especiall ornament it is, & very commodious to a city (according to * *Vegetius*) when fresh springs are included within the walles, if Nature afford them not, they must be had by Art. It is a wonder to read of those stupend Aqueducts, & infinite cost hath bin bestowed in *Rome* of old, *Constantinople*, *Carthage*, *Alexandria*, and such populous cities, to conueigh good & wholesome waters, read m *Frontinus*, *Lipsius de Admir.* n *Plinius* lib. 3. cap. 11. *Strabo* in his Geogr. That Aqueduct of *Claudius* was most eminent, fetched vpon Arches 11. miles, euery Arch 109 foot high, they had 14. such other Aqueducts, besides lakes & cisternes, 700 as I take it, o euery house had priuat pipes & channels to serue them for their vse. p *Peter Gillius* in his acurate Description of *Constantinople*, speakes of an old cisterne, which he went down to see, 336 foot long, 180 foot broad, built of marble, couered ouer with Archwork & sustained by 236 pillars, twelue foot asunder, & in 11 rowes, to containe sweet water. Infinite cost in channels & cisternes, from *Nilus* to *Alexandria*, hath bin formerly bestowed, to the admiration of these times, q their cisterns so curiously cemented & composed, that a beholder would take them to be all of one stone: when the foundation is laid, and cisterne made, their house

c *Modo non multum elongentur.*
 a *Lib. 1. cap. de melan cap 7.*
 b *Caldus & humidus cibus coctus facilis, stutus exortus, elix non assis, neq; cibi frigi sinz.*
 c *Si interna tantum culpa deoretur, non superficies torrida ab igne.*
 d *Bene nutriti es cibi, tenella etas multum valet, carnes non vixose, nec pingues.*
 e *Inimica stomacho.*
 f *Not fryed or buttered, but poched.*
 g *Consil. 16. N3 improbatu butyrum & oleum, sitamen plus quam par sit non profundatur.*
 h *saccharis melis usus, utitur ad cibum condimenta comprobatur.*
 i *Mercurialis consil. 88. acerba omnia et ientur Water.*
 k *Auro aqua melior.*
 l *Lib. 4. cap. 10 magna vis utilitas cum perennas fontes muris includuntur, quod si natura non prestat effodiendi etc.*
 m *Opera gigantea dicit aliquis.*
 n *De aqueduct. Curtius fons a quadragesimo lapide in urbem opere arcuato perductus, Plin. lib. 36. 15.*
 o *Quae domus Roma fistulas habebat & ca-*

males etc. p *Lib. 2. cap. 20.* q *Jod. a Meggen cap. 15. peregr. Hieros. Bellesima.*

² Cyprian Ectobius delit. Hisp. Aqua profluens inde in omnes fere domus ducitur, in puteis quoque, et vivo tepore frigidissima conservatur.

³ St. Hugh Middleton.

⁴ De questis med. cent. fol. 354.

⁵ De piscibus lib. Habent omnes in lauitijs, modo non sunt euenoso loco.

⁶ De pisc. cap. 2. lib. 7. Plurimum prestat ad utilitatem et iucunditatem. Idem Trallianus lib. 1. cap. 16. Pisces petrosi, et molles carne.

⁷ Est omnes putredinis sunt ebrioxij, ubi secundis mensis, incepto iam priore, deuorentur, commodi succi profunt, qui dulcedine sunt preediti.

⁸ Vi dulcia ceruina, poma &c.

⁹ Lib. 2. ca. 1.

¹⁰ Montanus consil. 24.

¹¹ Pyra que grato sunt sapore, cocta mala, poma tosta et saccharo, vel anisifolium confecta, utiliter statim a prandio vel a cena sumi possunt, eo quod ventriculum roborant, et vapores caput petentes reprimant.

Mont.

¹² Punica mala aurantia commode permittuntur, modo non sint austera et acida.

¹³ Med. In Syria.

is halfe built. That *Segonian* Aqueduct in *Spaine*, is much wondred at in these dayes, vpon three rowes of pillars, one aboue another, conveying sweete water to euery house: but euery City almost is full of such Aqueducts. Amongst the rest he is eternally to be commended, that brought that new Streame to the Northside of *London* at his owne charge: and Mr *Otho Nicholson* founder of our water-works, & elegant Conduit in *Oxford*. So much haue all times attributed to this Element, to be conveniently provided of it: Although *Galen* hath taken exceptiōs at such waters, which runne through leaden pipes, ob cerussam quæ in ijs generatur, for that vntuous ceruse, which causes dysenteries and fluxes: yet as *Alfarius* of *Genue* well answers, it is opposit to common experience. If that were true, most of our *Italian* Cities, *Montpelier* in *France*, with infinite others, would finde this inconvenience, but there is no such matter. For priuate families, in what sort they should furnish themselves, let them consult with *P. Crescentius de Agricult. lib. 1. cap. 4.* and the rest.

Among Fishes, those are most allowed of, that liue in gravelly or sandy waters, pikes, pearch, trout, gudgeon, smelts, flounders &c. *Hippolytus Saluianus* takes exception at Carp; but I dare boldly say with *Dubravins*, it is an excellent meat if it come not from muddy pooles, that it retaine not an vnfauory taste. *Erinacius Marinus* is much commended by *Oribasius*, *Ætius*, and most of our late Writers.

Crato consil. 21. lib. 2. censures all manner of fruits, as subiect to putrefaction, yet tolerable at some times, after meales, at second course, they keepe downe vapors, and haue their vse. Sweet fruits are best, as sweete cherries, plummes, sweet apples & pippins, which *Laurentius* extols, as hauing a peculiar property against this disease, but they must be corrected for their windinesse; ripe grapes are good, and rayfins of the Sun, muskmillions well corrected, and sparingly vsed. Figges are allowed, and almonds blanched. *Trallianus* discommends figs, *Saluianus* oliues and capers, which 7 others especially like of, and so of pistick nuts. *Montanus* and *Mercurialis* out of *Auenzoar*, admit peaches, & peares and apples baked after meales, only corrected with sugar and anniseed, or fennellseed, and so they may be profitably taken, because they strengthen the stomach, and keepe downe vapors. The like may be said of preserued cherries, plummes, marmalit of plummes, quinces &c. but not to drinke after them; ² pomegranats, Oranges, are tolerated, if they be not too sharpe.

Crato will admit of no herbes but borage, buglosse, endiue, fennell, anniseed, bawme. *Callenius* and *Arnoldus* admit of lettice, spinage, beets &c. The same *Crato* will allow no roots at all to be eaten. Some approue of potato's, parsnips, but all corrected for winde. No raw fallers; but as *Laurentius* prescribes, in brothes; and so *Crato* commends many of them: or to vse borage, hoppes, bawme, steeped in their ordinary drinke. *Auenzoar* magnifies the iuyce of a pomegranat if it be sweet, and especially Rose-water, which hee would haue to be vsed in euery dish, which they put in practise in those hore Countries, about ⁴ *Damascus*, where (if wee may beleue the relations of *Vertomannus*) many hogsheads of Rose-water are to be sold in the market at once, it is in so great request with them.

⁵ Olera omnia præter boraginem, buglossum, intybum, feniculum, anisum melissum vitari debent.

⁶ Mercurialis præf.

Svss.

Diet rectified in quantity.

MAn alone, saith *Cardan*, eates and drinke without appetite, and vseth all his pleasure without necessity, *anima vitio*, & thence come many inconveniences vnto him. For there is no meate whatsoever, though otherwise wholesome and good, but if vnseasonably taken, or immoderately vsed, more then the stomacke can well beare, it will ingender crudity, and doe much harme. Therefore *Crato* adviseth his patient to eate but twice a-day, and that at his set meales, by no meanes to eate without an appetite, or vpon a full stomacke, and to put seaven houres difference betwixt dinner and supper. Which rule if we did obserue in our Colledges, it would be much better for our healths. But custome, that tyrant, so prevailes, that contrary to all good order and rules of Physicke, we scarce admit of fiue. If after seaven houres tarrying he shall haue no stomacke, let him differre his meale, or eate very little at his ordinarie time of repast. This very counsell was given by *Prosper Calenus*, to *Cardinall Casius* labouring of this disease; and *Platerius* prescribes it to a patient of his to be most severely kept. *Guianerius* admits of three meales a day, but *Montanus consil. 23. pro. Ab. Italo*, ties him precisely to two: and as he must not eate overmuch, so he must not absolutely fast; for as *Celsus* contends *lib. 1. Tacchinus cap. 15. in 9. Rhafis*,^h repletion and inanition may both doe harme in two contrarie extreames. Moreover that which he doth eate, must be well chewed, and not hastily gobbled, for that causeth crudity and winde, and by all meanes to eate no more then he can well digest, melancholy men most part haue good appetites, but ill digestion, and for that cause they must be sure to rise with an appetite, and that which *Socrates* and *Disarius* the Physitians in *Macrobius* so much require, and *S^r Hierom* inioynes *Rusticus*, to eat & drinke no more then will satisfie hunger and thirst. *Lesius* the Jesuite holds 12, 13, or 14 ounces, or in our Northerne countries 16 at most, (for all students, weaklings, and such as lead an idle sedentary life) of meat, drinke, bread, &c. a fit proportion for a whole day, and as much or little more of drinke. Nothing pesters the body and minde sooner then to be still fed, to eat and ingurgitate beyond all measure, as many doe, by overmuch eating and continuall feasts, stifle Nature, and choke vp themselves, which had they liued courstly, or like galli-slaves beene tied to an oare, might haue happily prolonged many faire yeares.

As great inconvenience comes by variety of dishes, which causeth the precedent distemperature, & then which, saith *Avicenna*, nothing is worse, to feed on diversitie of meats, or overmuch, *Sertorius* like in *lucem cenare*, and as they commonly doe in *Muscovy*, and *Island*, to prolong their meales all day, or all night. Our Northerne countries offend especially in this, and wee in this *Island* (*ampliter viventes in prandijs & cœnis*, as *Polydore* notes) are most liberall feeders, but to our owne hurt. Excesse of meat breedeth sickness, and gluttony causeth cholericke diseases, by surfeiting many perish, but

gario pane passim, sani & incolumes in longam ætatem vitam prorogassent. Nihil deterius quam diversa nutrientia simul adiungere, &
comedendi tempus prorogare. Lib. 1. hist.

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* *Ciborum varietate & copia in eadem mensa nihil nocentius homini ad salutem.* Fr. Valer. ola obser. l. 2. c. 6.
 * *Nullus cibum sumere debet nisi stomachus sit vacuus.* Gordenius lib. med. lib. 1. cap. 11.
 * *E multis edulij: unum elige, reliquis ceteris ex eo comede.*
 * *Lib. de atrabile Simplex sit cibum, & non varius, quod licet dignitatis ob contrarius difficile videatur, &c.*
 * *Celsitudo tua prandeat solus absq; apparatus aulico, conte tus sit illustrissimus princeps duobus tantum ferculis, vinog, Rhenano solum in mensa utatur.*
 * *Semper intra satietatem a mensa recedat, vno ferculo contentus.*
 * *Crato Multiu refert non ignorare qui cibi priores &c. si quida precedant carnum iura, pisces, fructus, &c. Cena brevior sit prandio.*
 * *Tract. 6. contradiet. 1. lib. 1.*
 * *Super omnia quotidianum leporem habuit, & pomis indulget.*
 * *Annal. 6.*
 * *Ridere solebat eos, qui post 30 annorum, ad cognoscenda corporis sui noxia vel utilia, alij consilij indigerent.*

he that dieteth himself prologeth his life, Eccles. 37. 29. 30. We account it a great glory for a man to haue his table daily furnished with variety of meats, but heare the Physitian, he pulls thee by the eare as thou sittest, and telleth thee, *that nothing can be more noxious to thine health, then such variety and plenty.* To avoid therefore all those inflations, torments, obstructions, crudities, and diseases that come by a full diet, the best way is to feed sparingly of one or two dishes at most, to haue *ventrem bene moratum*, as Seneca calls it, *to choose one of many, and to feed on that alone*, as Crato aduiseeth his patient. The same counsell *Prosper Calenus* giues to *Cardinall Casius*, to vse a moderate and simple diet: and though his table bee iouially furnished, by reason of his state and guests; yet for his owne part to single out some one savory dish & feed of it. The same is inculcated by *Crato consil. 9. lib. 2.* to a noble personage affected with this grievance, hee would haue his highnesse to dine or sup alone, without all his honorable attendance & courtly company, with a priuate friend or so, a dish or two, a cup of Rhenish wine, &c. *Montanus consil. 24.* for a noble Marrone inioynes her one dish, and by no meanes to drinke betwixt meales, The like *consil. 229.* It is a frequent solemnity, still vsed with vs when friends meet, to goe to the alehouse or rauerne, they are not sociable otherwise, and if they visit one anothers houses, they must both eat and drinke. I reprehend it not moderately vsed, but to some men nothing can be more offense, they had better powre so much water in their shooes.

It much avails likewise to keepe good order in our diet, *to eat liquid things first, brothes, fish, and such meats as are sooner corrupted in the stomach, harder meats of digestion must come last.* Crato would haue the supper lesse then dinner, which *Cardan. contradiet. lib. 1. tract. 5. contradiet. 18.* disallowes, and that by the authority of *Galen. 7. art. curat. cap. 6.* and for foure reasons hee will haue the supper biggest. I haue read many Treatises to this purpose, I knowe not how it may concerne some few sicke men, but for my part generally for all, I should subscribe to that custome of the Romans, to make a sparing dinner, and a liberall supper. All their preparation and invitation was still at supper, no mention of dinner. Many reasons I could giue, but when all is said *pro* and *con*, *Cardans* rule is best, to keepe that we are accustomed vnto, though it be naught, and to follow our disposicion and appetite in some things is not amisse, to eat sometimes of a dish which is hurtfull, if we haue an extraordinary liking to it. *Alexander Severus* loued Hares and Apples aboue all other meats, as *Lampridius* relates in his life; one Pope porke, another Peacocke, &c. what harme came of it? I conclude, our owne experience is the best Physitian, that diet which is most propitious to one, is often pernicious to another, such is the variety of palats, humours, and temperatures, let euery man obserue, and bee a law vnto himselfe. *Tiberius* in *Tacitus* did laugh at all such, that after 30 yeares of age, would aske counsell of others, concerning matters of diet: I say the same.

These few rules of diet he that keepest shall surely find great ease & speedy remedy by it. It is a wonder to relate that prodigious temperance of some Hermites, Anachorites, and Fathers of the Church; hee that shall but read their liues written by *Hierom*, *Athanasius*, &c. how abstemious Heathens haue beene in this kinde, those *Cury* and *Fabrij*, those old Philosophers, as *Pliny* records lib. 11. *Xenophon* lib. 1. *de vit. Socrat.* Emperours and Kings, as

Nisephorus

Nicephorus relates, Eccles. hist. lib. 18. cap. 8. of Mauritius, Lodovicus Pius, &c. cannot but admire them. This haue they done voluntarily, and in health; what shall these priuate men doe that are visited with sicknesse, and necessarily enjoined to recouer, & continue their health? It is a hard thing to obserue a strict diet, & qui medicè viuit, miserè viuit, as the saying is, quale hoc ipsum erit vivere, his si priuatus fuerit? as good be buried, as so much debarred of his appetite; so he complained in the Poet, so thou thinkest: yet hee that loues himselfe, will easily endure this little misery, to auoid a greater inconvenience, & malis minimum, better doe this then doe worse. And as Tully holds, better be a temperate old man, then a lasciuious youth.

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^a Aegypti olim omnes morbos curabant vomitu & leuius. Bohemus lib. 2. cap. 5. [†] Cat. Maior: Melior conditio senis viuens ex praescripto artis medicae, quam adolescentis luxuriosus.

MEMB. 2.

Rectifying, Retention and Evacuation.

I Haue declared in the causes, what harme costiuenesse hath done in procuring this disease, if it be so noxious, the opposite must needs bee good, or meane at least, as indeed it is, & to this cure necessarily required, maxime conducit, saith Montanus cap. 27. it very much auailes. ^a Altomarus cap. 7. commends walking in a morning into some faire Greene pleasant fieldes, but by all meanes first, by art or nature he will haue these ordinary excrements euacuated. Piso calls it Beneficium ventris, the benefit, helpe, or pleasure of the belly, for it doth much ease it. Laurentius cap. 8. Crato consil. 21. l. 2. prescribes it once a day at least: where nature is defectiue, art must supply, by those lenitive electuaries, suppositaries, condite prunes, turpentine, clisters, as shall bee shewed. Prosper Calenus lib. de atra bile, commends Clusters in Hypochondriacall melancholy, still to be vsed as occasion serues. ^c Peter Cnemander in a consultation of his pro Hypochondriaco, will haue his patient continually loose, and to that end sets downe their many formes of Portions & Clusters. Mercurialis consil. 88. If this benefit come not of it's owne accord, prescribes ^d Clusters in the first place, so doth Montanus consil. 24. & consil. 31. & 229. he commends Turpentine to that purpose: the same he ingeminates, consil. 230. for an Italian Abbot. 'Tis very good to wash his hands and face often, to shift his clothes, to haue faire linnen about him, to bee decently and comely attired, for sordes vitiant, nastinesse defiles, and defects any man that is so voluntarily, or compelled by want, it dullerh the spirits.

Bathes are either artificiall or naturall, both haue their speciall vses in this malady, and as ^e Alexander supposeth lib. 1. cap. 16. yeeld as speedy a remedy, as any other Physicke whatsoeuer. Aetius would haue them dayly vsed, assidua balnea, Terra. 2. sect. 2. cap. 9. ^h Galen crakes how many seuerall cures he hath performed in this kinde by vse of bathes alone, and Ruffus pills, moistning them which are otherwise drie. Rhasis makes it a principall cure, Totam curam sit in humectando, to bathe and afterwards annoint with oyle. Iason Pratenfis, Laurentius cap. 8. and Montanus set downe many peculiar formes of artificiall bathes. Crato consil. 17. lib. 2. commends Mallowes, Camomile, Violets, Burrage to be boyled in it, and sometimes fayre water alone, and in his following counsell, Balneum aqua dulcis solum sapissime profuisse comperimus. So doth Euchsims lib. 1. cap. 33. Frisimelica lib. 2. consil. 42. in

^a Debet per amena exerceri, & loca viridia, excretis prius arte vel natura alui exsternatis.

^c Hildishheim ⁷ spicel. 2. de mal. Primum omnium operam dabis ut singulis diebus habeas beneficium ventris, semper cavendo ne alius sis diutius astringas.

^d Si non sponte Clustersibus purgetur.

^e Balneorum usus dulcium, si quid aliud, ipsi opitulatur.

Credo hac dissi- cum aliqua is- tancia inquit Montanus con- sil. 26.

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¹ In quibus ieiunius diu edeat eo tepore, ne sudorem excuset, aut manifestum tepor. m. sed quidam refrigeratione humerent.

² Aqua non sit calida, sed tepida, ne sudor sequatur.

³ Lotiones capitulis ex lixivio, in quo hebas capitales coxerint.

⁴ Cap. 8. de mel. Aut axungia pulli. Vifo.

⁵ Therme.

⁶ Nymphaea.

⁷ Sandes lib. 1.

saith, their women goe twice a weeke to the bathes at least.

⁸ Epist. 3.

⁹ Nec alium

excernunt, quin

aquam secum

portent, quā par-

ies obscenas la-

vent. Busbequi-

us ep. 3. Leg.

¹⁰ Turcica.

¹¹ Hildisheim

spicel. 2. de mel.

¹² Hypocor. si par-

adeset iecoris

caliditas, Ther-

enas laudarem,

et si non nimia

humoris exsic-

catio esset metu-

enda.

¹³ Fol. 147.

¹⁴ Thermae Lu-

gentes adeat i-

biq, aquas eius

per 15 dies po-

ret, et calidarii

aquarum stilli-

cidijs tum caput

tum ventricu-

lum de more

subijciat.

¹⁵ In Paul.

Trincavelius. Some besides hearbs, wil haue a Rammes head & other things boyled. ¹ *Fernelius consil. 44.* will haue them continued 10 or 12 daies together, to which he must enter fasting, and so continue in a temperate heate, & after that frictions all ouer the body. *Lelius Agubinus consil. 142.* & *Christ. Arerus* in a consultation of his, hold once or twice a weeke sufficient to bathe, the ² water to be warme not hot, for feare of sweating. *Felix Plater. obseru. lib. 1.* for a melancholy Lawyer, ³ will haue lotions of the head still toynd to these bathes, with a lye wherein capitall hearbes haue beene boyled. ⁴ *Laurentius* speakes of bathes of milke, which I find approued by many others. And still after bathe, the body to bee annointed with oyle of bitter Almonds, of Violets, new or fresh butter, ⁵ Capons grease, especially the backe bone, and then lotions of the head, embrocations, &c. These kinde of bathes haue bin in former times much frequented, & diuersly varied, and are still in generall vse in those Easterne Countries. The *Romanes* had their publike Bathes, very sumptuous and stupend, as those of *Antoninus* & *Dicclesian. Plin. lib. 36.* saith there were an infinite number of them in *Rome*, & mightily frequented; some bathed seuen times a day, as *Commodus* the Emperour is reported to haue done: Visually twice a-day, and they were after anointed with most costly oyntments: we haue many ruines of such Bathes found in this Iland, amongst those parietines & rubbish of old *Romane* townes. *Lipsius. de mag. Urb. Rom. l. 3. cap. 8.* *Rosinus*, Scot of *Antwerpe*, and other Antiquaries, tell strange stories of their Bathes. *Gillius lib. 4. cap. ult. Topogr. Constant.* reckons vp 155. publike Bathes in *Constantinople*, of faire building, they are still frequented in that city by the *Turkes* of all sorts, men and women, and all ouer *Greece*, and those hot Countries. ⁶ *Busbequius* in his Epistles, is very copious in describing the manner of them, how their women goe couered, with a maide following with a boxe of oyntment to rub them. The richer sort haue priuate Bathes in their houses; the poorer goe to the common, and are generally so curious in this behalfe, that they will not eat or drinke vntill they haue bathed, before and after meales some, ⁷ and will not make water (but they will wash their hands) or goe to the stoole. *Leo Afer lib. 3.* makes mention of 100 seuerall Bathes at *Fez* in *Africk*, most sumptuous, and such as haue great revenues belonging to them. *Buxdorf. cap. 14. Synagog. Iud.* speakes of many ceremonies amongst the *Iewes* in this kinde, they are very superstitious in their Bathes, especially women.

Naturall Bathes are praised by some, discommended by others; but it is in a diuerse respect. ⁸ *Marcus de oddis in Hipp. affect.* consulted about Bathes, condemnes them, because of the heat of the liuer, and because they dry too too fast; and yet by-and-by in another ⁹ counsell for the same disease, hee approves of them, because they cleanse by reason of the sulphur, & would haue their water to be drunke. *Areteus cap. 7.* commends allome Bathes aboue the rest; and ¹⁰ *Mercurialis consil. 88.* those of *Luca* in that *Hypocondriacall* passion. He would haue his Patient tarry there 15 daies together, and drinke the water of them, and to be bucketed, or haue the water powred on his head. *Io. Baptista Siluaticus cont. 64.* commends all the Bathes in *Italy*, & drinking of their water, whether they be Iron, Allome, Sulphur. So doth ¹¹ *Hercules de Saxoniâ*. But in that they cause sweat, and dry so much, he confines himselfe to *Hypocondriacall* melancholy alone, excepting that of the head, and the other

other. *Trincavelius* *consil.* 14. *lib.* 1. prefers those 7 *Perreſtan* Bathes before the rest because of the mixture of brasse, iron, allum, and *consil.* 35. *lib.* 3. for a melancholy lawyer, & *consil.* 36. in that Hypochondriacall passion, the Bathes of *Aquaria*, and 36. *consil.* the drinking of them. *Frisimelica* consulted amongst the rest in *Trincavelius*, *consil.* 42. *lib.* 2. prefers the waters of *Apo* before all artificiall Bathes whatsoeuer in this disease, & would haue one nine yeares affected with Hypochondriacall passions, flye to them, as to an holy anchor. Of the same minde is *Trincavelius* himselfe there, and yet both put a hot liuer in the same party for a cause, and send him to the waters of *S. Helen*, which are much hotter. *Montanus* *consil.* 230. magnifies the *Chalderinian* Bathes, & *consil.* 237. & 239. he exhorteth to the same, but with this caution, ^d that the Liuer be outwardly annointed with some coolers, that it be not overheated. But these Bathes must be warily frequented by melancholy persons, and such as are very cold of themselves, for as *Gabelius* concludes of all Dutch Bathes, and especially of those of *Baden*, they are good for all cold diseases, & naught for cholericke, hot and dry, and all infirmities proceeding of choler, inflammations of the spleene and liuer. Our English Bathes as they are hot, must needs incur the same censure. But *Dr Turner* of old, & *Dr Jones* haue written at large of them. Of cold Bathes I finde little or no mention in any Physitian, some speake against it: [†] *Cardan* alone, out of *Agathinus*, commends bathing in fresh riuers, and cold waters, and aduiseſeth all such as meane to liue long to use it, for it agrees with all ages and complections, and is most profitable for hot temperatures. As for sweating, vrine, blood-letting by hæmrods, or otherwise, I shall elsewhere more oportunely speake of them.

Immoderate *Venus* in excesſe, as it is a cause, or in defect, so moderately v-
sed to some parties an only helpe, a present remedy. *Peter Forestus* calls it, *aptiſſimum remedium*, a most apposite remedy, ^f remitting anger, and reason, that was otherwise bound. *Avicenna* *Fen.* 3. 20. *Oribasius* *med. collect.* *lib.* 6. *cap.* 37. contend out of *Ruffus* and others, ^g that many mad-men, melancholy, and laboring of: he falling sicknesse, haue beene cured by this alone. *Montaltus* *cap.* 27. de melan. will haue it driue away sorrow, & all illusions of the braine, to purge the heart & braine from all ill ſmoakes & vapors that offend them, ^h and if it be omitted, as *Valeſcus* suppoſeth, it makes the minde ſad, the bodie dull and heavy. *Marcellus Donatus* *lib.* 2. *med. hiſt.* *cap.* 1. tells a ſtory to con-
firme this out of *Alexander Benedictus*, of a maid that was mad, ob *menſes in-*
hibitos, cum in officinam meritoriam incidisset, à quindecim viris eadem no-
ſe compreſſa, menſium largo profluuiio, quod pluribus annis ante conſiſterat, nō
ſine magno pudore manē menti reſtituta deceſſit. But this muſt bee warily vn-
derſtood; for as *Arnoldus* obieſts, *lib.* 1. *breuiar.* 18. *cap.* quid coitus ad melan-
cholicum ſuccum? What affinity haue theſe two? ⁱ except it bee manifeſt that
ſuperabundance of ſeed, or fulneſſe of blood be a cauſe, or that loue, or an extraor-
dinary deſire of *Venus* haue gone before. *Montaltus* *cap.* 27. will not allowe of
moderate *Venus* to ſuch as haue the Gout, Palfy, Epilepſy, Melancholy, ex-
cept they be very luſty, and full of blood. ^k *Lodovicus Antonius* *lib.* *med.*
miſcel. in his Chapter of *Venus*, forbids it vterly to all Wreſtlers, Ditchers,
laboring men, &c. ^l *Ficinus* and ^m *Marsilius Cagnatus* put *Venus* one of the
ſue mortall enemies of a ſtudent: It conſumes the ſpirits, and weakneth the

¹ Aqua porre-
ſtane.

² Aqua Aqua-
rie.

³ Ad aquas A-
penſes, velut
ad ſa. ram an-
choram, conſu-
giat.

⁴ Io. Bauhinus
lib. 3. *cap.* 14.

⁵ biſt. ad mir. Fon-
tis Bollenſis in
ducat, Wirtem-
berg. laudat a-

⁶ quas Bollenſes
ad melancholi-

⁷ cos morbos, ma-
iorum ſuſcitati-

⁸ onem, aliq. ari-
mi pat hematis.

⁹ Balnea Chal-
derina.

¹⁰ Hepar exter-
nè ungatur na-
caleſcit.

¹¹ Nocent cali-
dis & ſiccis, cho-
lericis, & omni-

¹² bus morbis ex
cholera, hepatis,

¹³ ſplenisq. affecti-

¹⁴ onibus.

¹⁵ [†] *lib.* de aqua.

¹⁶ Qui breue hoc
vite curriculum

¹⁷ cupimus ſani
tranſigere, frigi-

¹⁸ dis aquis ſepe
lavare debent,

¹⁹ nulli etati cum
ſit incongrua,

²⁰ caldis imprimis
vtilis.

²¹ Soluit *Venus*
rationis vim im-

²² pediam, ingens
tes iras remis-

²³ ſit, &c.

²⁴ Multi comi-
tiales, melan-

²⁵ cholicis, inſani,
huius uſu ſolo

²⁶ ſanati.

²⁷ Si omittatur
coitus, contriſtat

²⁸ & plurimum
gravat corpus

²⁹ & animum.

³⁰ Niſi certo con-
ſtet nimium ſe-

³¹ men aut ſangui-
nem cauſam eſ-

³² ſe, aut amor pre-
ceſſerit, aut &c.

¹ Athletis, Arthriticis podagricis nocet, nec opportune prodeſt, niſi ſentibus & qui multo ſanguine abundant. Idem Scaliger exere.
209. Turcis ideo laſtatoribus prohibetur. ² De ſanit. tuend. *lib.* 1. ³ *Lib.* 1. *cap.* 7. exhauris enim ſpiritus, animumq. debilitas.

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^a Frigidis & siccis corporibus inimicissima.

^o Vesci intra facietatem, impigrum esse ad laborem, vitale semen conferre.

^p Requies est que de non finit esse senem.

[†] Vide Montanum Pet. Godefridum Amorum lib. 2. cap. 6. curiosum de his, &c.

^q Thespiad. generit.

^r Vide Lampri- dum vit. eius, 4.

^s Et lassata vi- ris, &c.

^t Vid. Mirald. cent. 3. 11. Lem- nium lib. 2. cap. 26. Catullum ad Ipsi phillam, &c.

Ovid. Eleg. 3. 6. &c.

&c. 6. &c.

braine. Halyabbas the Arabian. 5. Theor. cap. 36. and Iason Pratensis make it the fountaine of most diseases, ^a but most pernicious to them which are colde and dry, a melancholy man must not meddle with it, but in some cases. Plu- tarch in his booke de san. taend. accounts of it as one of the three principall signes and preservers of health, temperance in this kinde, ^o To rise with an appetite, to be ready to worke, and abstaine from Venery, tria saluberrima, are three most healthfull things. Wee see their opposites how pernicious they are to mankinde, as to all other creatures they bring death, and many ferall diseases. Immodicus brevis est atas & rara senectus. Aristotle giues instance in Sparrowes, which are parum vivaces ob salacitatem, shortliued because of their salacity, which is very frequent, as Scoppius in Priapejs will better in- forme you. The extreames being both bad, the medium is to be kept, which cannot easily be ^q determined. Some are better able to sustaine, such as are hot and moist, phlegmatick, as Hippocrates insinuateth, some strong & lusty, well fed, like Hercules, ^r Proculus the Emperour, ^s Messalina the Emperesse, & by Philters, & such kinde of lasciuious meats, vse all meanes to ^t inable them selues, and brag of it: others impotent, of a cold and dry constitution cannot sustaine those gymnicks without great hurt done vnto their owne bodies, of which number (though they bee very prone to it) are melancholy men for the most part.

MEMB. 3.

Ayre rectified. with a digression of the Ayre.

AS a long-winged Hawke when he is first whistled off the fist, mounts aloft, and for his pleasure fetcheth many a circuit in the Ayre, still soaring higher and higher, till he be come to his full pitch, and in the end when the game is sprung, comes downe amaine, & stoupes vpon a sud- den: so will I, hauing now come at last into these ample fieldes of Aire, wherein I may freely expatiate and exercise my selfe, for my recreation a while roue, wander round about the world, and mount aloft to those ætheriall orbes and celestially spheres, and so descend to my former elements againe. In which progresse, I will first see whether that relation of the Frier of ^u Oxford be true, concerning those Northerne parts vnder the Pole (if I meet obiter with the wandering Iem, Elias artifex, or Lucians Icaromenip- pus, they shall be my guides) whether there bee such ⁴ Euripes, and a great rocke of Loadstones, which may cause the needle in the compasse still to bend that way, & what should be the true cause of the variation of the com- passe, ^x is it a magneticall rock, or the Pole-starre as Cardan will; why at the Azores it looks directly North, otherwise not, whether rules may be made of it, as 11. grad. Lond. variat. alibi 36. &c. Whether the Sea be open and na- vigable by the Poles, and which is the likeliest way, that of Bartison the Hollander, or by fretum Davis, or Noua Zembla. Whether ^y Hudsons disco- veries be true of a new-found Ocean, or any probability to passe by the Straights of Anian to China by the Promontory of Tabin. If there be, I shal soone perceauce whether ^z Marcus Polus the Venetians narration bee true or false, of that great city of Quinsay and Cambalu, whether there bee any such places

^u Nich. de Lyn- na cited by Mercator in his Mappe.

^x Mons Soto. Some call it the highest hill in the world next Teneriffe in the Canaries

Lat. 81.

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^z Lib. 2. cap. 64. de nob. ciuitat. Quinsay, & cap. 10. de Cambalu.

places, or that as ^a *Mat. Riccius* the Iesuite hath written, *China* and *Cataia* be all one, the great *Cham* of *Tartary*, and the King of *China* be the same. *Xun-tain* and *Quinsay*, and the city of *Gambalu* be that new *Paquin*, or such a way 400 leagues long to part *China* from *Tartary*. Whether ^b *Presbyter Iohn* be in *Asia* or *Africke*. ^c *M. Polus Venetus* put him in *Asia*, † the most receaued opinion is, that he is Emperour of the *Abyssines*, which of old was *Ethiopia* now *Nubia*, vnder the *Equator* in *Africke*. Whether ^e *Guinea* be an Island or part of the Continent, or that hungry ^d *Spaniards* discovery of *Terra Australis Incognita*, or *Magellanica*, be as true as that of *Mercurius Britannicus*, or his of *Viopia*, or his of *Lusinia*. And yet in all likelihood it may be so, for without all question it being extended from the Tropicke of *Capricorne*, to the circle *Antarticke*, and lying as it doth in the temperate Zone, cannot chuse but yeeld in time, some flourishing kingdomes to succeeding ages, as *America* did vnto the *Spaniards*. As I goe by *Madagascar* I would see that great bird ^e *Rucke* that can carry a man and horse, or an Elephant. And afterwards in *Africke* examine the fountaines of *Nilus*, whether ^f *Herodotus*, ^g *Seneca*, ^h *Plin. lib. 5. cap. 9.* ⁱ *Strabo lib. 5.* giue a true cause of his annuall flowing, ^k or *Pagafetta* discourse rightly of it, or of *Niger* and *Senega*, examine ^l *Cardan*, ^m *Scaligers* reasons, and the rest. Is it from those *Etesian* windes, or melting of snowe in the mountaines vnder the *Equator* (for *Jordan* yearly ouerflowes, when the snowe melts in mount *Libanus*) or from those great dropping perpetual showres, which are so frequent to the inhabitants within the Tropickes, when the Sunne is verticall, and cause those vast inundations in *Senega*, *Maragnan*, *Orenoque*, and the rest of those great riuers in *Zona Torrida*, which haue all commonly the same passions at set times. I would obserue all those motions of the Sea, and from what cause, from the Moon, or earthes motion. Why in that quiet Ocean of *Zur mari pacifico* it is scarce perceaued, in our *Brittish* Seas most violent, in the *Mediterranean* and *Red Sea* so vehement, irregular and diuerse? Why the current in that *Atlanticke Ocean* should still be in some places from, in some againe towards the north, and why they come sooner then goe? And so from *Moabar* to *Madagascar* in that *Indian Ocean*, the Marchants come in three weekes, as ⁿ *Scaliger* discusseth, they returne scarce in three moneths, with the same or like windes: The continuall current is from East to West. Whether mount *Athos Pelion Olympus*, *Ossa*, *Caucasus*, *Atlas* be so high as *Pliny*, *Solinus*, *Aela* relate, aboue Clouds, Meteors, *Vbi nec aura nec ventispirant*, 1250 paces high, according to that measure of *Dicaearchus*, and equall to the greatest depths of the Sea, which is as *Scaliger* holds, 1580 paces, *Exerc. 38.* others 100 paces. I would see those inner parts of *America*, whether there bee any such great city of *Manoa*, as he relates, or golden countries of *Guiana*, *Amazons* or giganticall Patagones in *Chica*. ^o The pike of *Teneriffe* how high it is? 70 miles or 52, as *Patritius* holds: see that strange ^p *Cirknickzerksey* lake in *Carniola*, whose waters gush so fast out of the ground, that they will ouertake a swift horseman, and by and by with as incredible celerity slipped vpp, which *Lazius* and *warnerus* make an argument of the *Argonautes* sayling vnder ground. I would examine the *Caspian Sea*, and see where & how it exonerates it selfe, after it hath taken in *Volga*, *Iaxares*, *Oxus*, & those great riuers; at the mouth of *Oby* or where? What vent the *Mexican* lake hath, and that of *mare mor-*

^a Lib 4. expedie
ad Sinas cap. 3.

^b lib. 5. cap. 1.

^c M. Polus in

^d Asia Pres. Iob.

^e memini. lib. 2.

^f cap. 30. magis

^g abaresque

^h alij. a. v. v. v.

ⁱ Lib. 10. Gr.

^j Aust. v. v. v.

^k I. edinando

^l de Quir. Anno.

^m 1612.

ⁿ Alarum per-

^o ne continet in

^p longitudine 125

^q passus, Elephan-

^r tum in huiusmo-

^s tollere potest

^t Polus 1.3. c. 40.

^u Lib. 2.

^v Natur. quest.

^w lib. 4. cap. 2.

^x Lib. de reg.

^y Congo.

^z Exercit. 47.

^{aa} Exercit. 52. de

^{ab} maris motu cau-

^{ac} se inuestiganda.

^{ad} prima reciproca

^{ae} tionis, secunda

^{af} varietatis, ter-

^{ag} tia celeritatis,

^{ah} quarta cessatio-

^{ai} nis, quinta pri-

^{aj} uationis, sexta

^{ak} contrarietatis.

^{al} Patritius saith

^{am} 52 miles in

^{an} heighth.

^{ao} † Luge alij vo-

^{ap} cant Geor. Wer-

^{aq} nerus. aq. lan-

^{ar} ta celeritate e-

^{as} rumpunt & ab-

^{at} sorbentur ut ex-

^{au} pedito equis

^{av} aditum inter-

^{aw} cludant.

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tum in Palestina, of *Trasumene*, at *Peruzium* in Italy: The *Mediterranean* is selfe. For from the *Ocean*, at the Straights of *Gibraltar*, there is a perpetuall current into it, and so likewise by the *Thracian Bosphorus* out of the *Euxine*, or blacke Sea, besides all those great riuers of *Nilus*, *Padus*, *Rhodanus*, &c. how is this water consumed by the Sunne, or otherwise? I would finde out with *Traian* the fountaines of *Danubius*, of *Ganges*, *Oxus*, see those *Egyptian Pyramids*, *Traians* bridge, *Grotta de Sibilla*, *Lucullus* fish-ponds, the Temple of *Nidrose*, &c. And if I could, obserue what becomes of swallows, storkes, cranes, cuckowes, nightingales, redstarts, and many other kinde of small singing birds, water-fowles, hawkes, &c. some of them are only seene in Sommer, some in Winter, some are obserued in the * snowe, & at no other time, each haue their seasons. In winter time not a bird in *Muscovy* to bee found but in the Spring, in an instant the woods and hedges are full of them, saith *Herbastein*. How comes it to passe? Doe they sleepe in winter, like *Gefners* Alpine mice, or doe they lye hid (as * *Olaus* affirms) in the bottom of lakes and riuers, spiritum continent? often so found by Fishermen in Poland, and *Scandria*, two together, mouth to mouth, wing to wing, and when the spring comes they reuiue againe, or if they be brought into a stone, or to the fireside. Or doe they follow the Sunne, or lye hid in Caves and Rocks, or hollow trees, as most thinke, in deepe Tinne mines or Seacliffes, as *† Mr Carew* giues out? I conclude of them all, for my part, as * *Munster* doth of Cranes and Storkes: whence they come, whether they goe, incompertum adhuc, as yet we knowe not. We see them here some in somer, some in winter, Their coming and going is sure in the night, in the plaines of Asia (saith hee) the Storkes meet on such a set day, he that comes last is torne in peeces, and so they get them gone. Many strange places, *Istmi*, *Euripi*, *Chersonesi*, creekes, hauens, promontories, straights, lakes, bathes, rockes, mountaines, places and fieldes, where citties haue bene ruined or swallowed, battles fought, creatures, mineralls, vegetables, Zoophites were fit to be considered in such an expedition, and amongst the rest that of *Herbastein* his Tartar lambe, *Herbor Boethius* goose-bearing tree in the Orchades, *Vertomannus* wonderfull palme, that fly in *Hispaniola* that shines like a Torch in the night, that one may see well to write. Those sphericall stones in *Cuba* which nature hath so made, & those like Birds, Beasts, Fishes, crownes, swords, sawes, pots, &c. vsually found in the mettlemine in Saxony about *Mansfield*, and in Poland neere *Nikom* and *Palukye*, as *† Munster* and others relate. Many rare creatures and nouelties each part of the world affords: amongst the rest, I would knowe for a certaine, whether there be any such men, as *Leo Suavius* in his Comment on *Paracelsus de sanit. suend.* and * *Gaguinus* records in his description of *Muscovy*, that in *Lucomoria*, a Province in Russia, lye fast asleepe as dead all winter, from the 27th of November, like Froges and Swallowes, bennum'd with cold, but about the 24th of Aprill in the spring, they reuiue againe, and goe about their businesse. I would examine that demonstration of *Alexander Piccolominens.* whether the earths superficies be bigger then the Seas? Search the depth, & see that variety of Sea monsters & fishes, Mare-maids, Sea men, Horses, &c. which it affords. Or whether that be true which *Iordanus Brunus* scoffes at,

* In campis Lo-
vices soluta vi-
suntur in niue,
& ubinam vere
estate, autumno
se occultant.
Hermes Polit.

lib. 1. lib. Bellius

† Statim incun-

te vere sylva

strepunt eorum

cantilenis Mus-

covy commient.

* Immergunt se

fluminibus, la-

cubusq; per bie-

mem totam, &c.

† Surway of

Cornwall.

* Porro Ciconia

quoniam e loco

veniant, quod se

conferant incom-

pertum adhuc,

agmen venien-

tium, disceden-

tium, ut gruum

venisse cernimus

nocturnis opinor

temporibus. In

patentibus Asia

campis certo die

congregant se, e-

am que nouissi-

me aduenit, la-

cerant, inde a-

volant. Cosmog-

lib. 9. cap. 126.

Commentar.

Muscovy.

* Hist. Scot. 1. 1.

o Vertomannus

lib. 9. cap. 16.

mentioneth

of a tree that

beares fruites

to eat, wood

to burne, bark

to make ropes

wine & water

to drink, oyle,

and sugar, and

leaves as tiles

to coter hou-

ses, floweres

for cloathes,

&c.

† Cosmog. lib. 3.

cap. 435. & lib. 4. cap. 1.

habent ollas a natura formatas e terra extrahit similes illis a signis factas, coronas piscis, aves, & omnes ani-

marum species. * Vt solent hirundines & rana pre frigoris magnitudine mori, & postea redeunte vere 24 Aprilis reviviscere.

that

that if God did not detain it, the Sea would overflow the Earth by reason of his higher site. I would examine the true site of that terrestrial Paradise, and where *Ophir* was, where *Solomon* did fetch his gold. I would examine all *Plinies*, *Solinus*, *Strabo*, *S. Iohn Mandevills*, *Olaus Magnus*, *Marcus Polus* lies. Correct those errors in navigation, reforme Cosmographical Chartes, and rectifie longitudes, if it were possible, obserue some better meanes to finde them out.

Or I would finde a convenient place to goe downe with *Orpheus*, *Vlysses*, *Hercules*, *P. Lucians Menippus*, at *St. Patricks Purgatory*, at *Trophonius denne*, *Hecla* in *Island*, *Etna* in *Sicily*; and to descend, & see what is done in the bowels of the earth: doe stones & mettals grow there still? how come firre trees to be digged out from tops of hilles, as in our mosses and marishes all ouer *Europe*? How come they to digge vp fish bones, beames, iron works, many fathomes vnder ground, and ancores in mountaines farre remote from all Seas? * *Anno 1460. at Berna in Switserland* 50 fathome deepe, a shippe was digged out of a mountaine, where they got mettall Ore, in which were 48 carcasses of men, with other merchandise. Came this from Earth-quakes, or from *Noahs Flood*, or is there a vicissitude of Sea and Land, as *Anaximenes* held of old, the Mountaines of *Thessaly* would become Seas, and Seas againe Mountaines? The whole World belike should bee new moulded, when it seemed good to those all-commanding Powers, and turned inside out, as we doe hay-cocks in Haruest, top to bottome, or bottome to top: or if the Worlds be infinite, cast three or foure Worlds into one; or els of one old World, make three or foure new, as it shall seeme to them best. To proceed, if the Earth be 21500 miles in a compasse, its Diameter is 7000 miles, from vs to our *Antipodes*, and what shall be comprehended in all that space? What is the centre of the Earth, is it pure element only, as *Aristotle* decrees, inhabited (as * *Paracelsus* thinks) with creatures, whose Chaos is the Earth: or with *Fayries*, as the woods and waters (according to him) are with *Nymphes*; or as the Aire with spirits? Or is it the place of Hell, as *Virgill* in his *Aeneides*, *Plato*, *Lucian*, *Dantes*, and others poetically describe it, and as many of our Diuines thinke? In good earnest, what soeuer Philosophers write, (saith † *Surius*) there be certaine mouthes of Hell, and places appointed for the punishment of mens Soules, as at *Hecla* in *Island*, where the ghosts of dead men are familiarly seene, and sometimes talke with the liuing: God would haue such visible places, that mortall men might be certainly informed, that there be such punishments after death, and learne hence to feare God. *Kranzius dan. hist. lib. 2. cap. 24.* subscribes to this opinion of *Surius*, so doth *Colerus cap. 12. lib. de immortal. anima*, making that fearefull mount *Hecklebirge* in *Norway*, an especiall argument to proue it, * where lamentable scriches and howlings are continually heard, which strike a terror to the Auditors, fiery chariots are commonly seene to bring in the Soules of men in the likenesse of *Crowes*, and deuils ordinarily goe in and out. Such another prooffe is that place, neere the *Pyramides* in *Egypt*, by *Cairo*, as well to confirme this, as the Resurrection, mentioned by † *Kornmannus mirac. mort. lib. 1. cap. 38. Camerarius oper. sac. cap. 37. Bredembachius peregr. ter. sanct.* and some others, where once a yeare dead bodies arise about *March*, and walke, and after a while hide themselves againe: thousands of people come yearly to see them. But these and such like testimonies others re-

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† Animal insectum Cusino de quis legere & scribere possit sine alterius ope luminis.

† Vid. Peverium in Gen.

† Ju. Neco-mantia. Tom. 2.

† Fracastorius lib. de symp.

Georg. Merula lib. de mem.

Julius Billius &c.

* Simlerus, Ortelius, Brachys

centum sub terra reperta est, in qua 48 canavera inerat, anchora &c.

† Or plaine, as Patritius holds, which

Anstus, Lactantius, and some others, held of old, round as a Trencher.

† Lib. de Zilphis

& Pignoris, they penetrate the earth, as we doe the Aire.

† Commentar. ad annum 1537

Quicquid dicunt Philosophi, quedam sunt Tartari ostia & loca, puniendis animis destinata, ut Hecla mons &c. ubi mortuorum spiritus visuntur, &c. voluit Deus extare talia loca, ut discant mortales &c.

* Vbi miserrabile simulacrum voces audiuntur, qui auditibus horrendis incutiunt horrorem vulgarem &c.

† Ex sepulchris apparent mensis Martio, & rursus sub terram se abcondunt &c.

Conclave Ignatij.

† Melius dubitare de occultis, quam litigare de incertis. ubi finis Abrahæ, ubi flamma inferni, &c.

‡ As they come from the Sea, so they return to the Sea againe by secret passages, as in all likelihood, the Caspian Sea vents it selfe into the Euxine or Ocean.

ⁱ Seneca quest. lib.3. cap.4.5.6. 7.8.9.10.11.12 de causis aquarum perpetuum.

× Ad caput bone spei incole, sunt nigerrimi, Si Sol causa, cur non Hispani & Itali æquè nigri in eadem latitudine, æquè distantes ab Æquatore, hi ad Austrum, illi ad Boream? qui sub Presbytero Iohanne habitant, subfusi sunt in Zilan & Ma'abar, nigri æquè distantes ab Æquatore eod. mō, celi paralelo: sed hoc magis mirari.

quis possit, in tota America minusquam nigros inveniri, præter paucos in loco Quarena illis dicto: quæ huius coloris causa efficiens, calidæ æræ qualitas, an soli proprietates, aut ipsorum hominum innata ratio aut omnia? Ortelius in Africa, Theat.

Ortel. multas Gallie & Italie Regiones, molli tepore, & benignâ quadam semperie prorsus antecellit. Iovius. ² Lat. 45. Danubij. ³ Quenira lat. 40.

ie& as fables, illusions of spirits, and they will have no such locall knowne place. Well then, is it Hell, or Purgatory, or *Limbus Patrum*, as *Gallucius* will, or *Ignatius* parler. *Virgil* sometimes Bishop of *Mentz*, was therefore called in question, because hee held *Antipodes*, and so by that meanes tooke away the seat of Hell, or so contracted it, that it could beare no proportion to Heauen; and contradicted that opinion of *Austin*, *Basil*, *Lactantius*, that held the earth round as a Trencher, but not as a ball. If it be no materiall fire (as *Soncinus* disputes) it may be there, or else where *system. Theol.* as *Kickerman* disputes, for sure some where it is, *certum est esse alicubi, etsi definitus circulus non assignetur*; I will end the controversy in † *Austins* words, Better doubt of things concealed, then to contend about uncertainties, where *Abrahams bosome is, and hell fire: Vix à mansuetis, à contentiosis nunquam inventur*, scarce the meeke, the contentious shall neuer finde. If it be solide earth, t's the fountaine of mettles, waters, which by his innate temper, turnes Aire into Water, which springs vp in severall chinkes, to moisten the Earths superficies, and that in a tenfold proportion (as *Aristotle* holdes) or else these Fountaines come directly from the Sea, by † secret passages, and are so made fresh againe, by running through the bowels of the earth, & are either thick, thinne, hot, cold, as the matter or minerals are, by which they passe. Or else it may be full of winde, which sometimes breaking out, causeth those horrible Earth quakes, which are so frequent in these dayes in *Iapan*, *China*, and often times swallow vp whole Cities. Let *Lucians Menippus* consult with, or aske of *Tiresias*, if you will not beleue Philosophers, hee shall cleare all your doubts, when he makes a second voyage.

In the meane time let vs consider of that which is *sub dio*, and finde out a true cause, if it be possible, of such accidents. Meteors, alterations, as happen about ground. Whence proceed that variety of manners, † and a distinct character (as it were) to severall nations? Some are wise, subtile, witty; others dull, heauy; some bigge, some little, as *Tully de Fato*, *Plato in Timeo*, *Vegetius* and *Bodine* proues at large, *method. cap. 5.* some soft, and some hardy, barbarous, ciuill, × black, dunne, white, is it from the Aire, or from the soyle, or influence of starres, or some other secret cause? Why doth *Africa* breed so many venomous beasts, *Ireland* none? whence come this variety of complexions, colours, plants, birds, beasts, y mettals, peculiar almost to euery place? How comes it to passe, that in the same place, in the same latitude, to such as are *Periæci*, there should be such difference of soile, complexion, color, mettall, ayre, &c. *Mosco* in 55. deg. of lat. extreame colde, as all those Countreyes are, hauing one perpetuall hard frost all Winter long: ² *England* neere the same latitude, & *Ireland* very moist and warme, & more temperate in Winter then *Spaine*, *Italy*, or *France*. Is it the Sea that causeth this difference, and the Aire that comes from it? why then is ² *Ister* so cold, inere the *Euxine*, *Pontus*, *Bithinia*, and all *Thrace*, *frigidæ regiones* *Maginus* calls them, and yet their latitude is but 42, which should be hote: ³ *Quenira*, or *Nova Albion* in *America*, bordering on the Sea, was so cold in July, that our ⁴ *Englshmen* could hardly endure it. At *Norembega* in 45. lat. all the Sea is frozen

ⁱ At Quito in Peru, plus auri quam terra foditur in Auri fodinis. ² Regio quocunq. anni tempore temperatissima. ³ Quenira lat. 40. ⁴ In S^r Francis Drake's voiage.

Ice, and yet in a more Southerne latitude then ours. Our Climes breed lice; come to the *Azores*, by a secret vertue of that Aire, they are instantly consumed, and all our European vermine almost, saith *Ortelius*. *Egypt* is watered with *Nilus*; and not farre from the Sea, and yet there, it seldome or neuer raines; *Rhodes* an Iland of the same nature, yeeldes not a cloud, and yet our Ilands euer dropping, and inclining to raine. The *Atlantick* Ocean is still subiect to stormes, but in *Del Zur*, or *Mari Pacifico*, seldome or neuer any. Is it from Topick starres, *apertio portarum*, in the Dodecoteories or constellations, the Moones mansions, such aspects of Planets, such windes, or dissolving Ayre, or thick Ayre, which causeth this and like differences of heat and cold? *Bodin* relates of a *Portugall* Embassador, that coming from ^a *Lisbon* to ^c *Danzike* in *Spruce*, found greater heat there, then at any time at home. The torride Zone was by our Predecessors held to be inhabitable, but by our moderne travellers found to be most temperate, bedewed with pleasant raines, and moistning showres, in some parts, as *Acosta* describes, most pleasant & fertile. *Arica* in *Chili*, is by report, one of the sweetest places that euer the Sun shined on: how incomparably doe some extoll *Mexico* in *Nova Hispania*, *Pernu*, *Brasile* &c. In some againe hard, dry, sandy, barren, a very Desart, & still in the same latitude. Many times we find great diversity of Aire in the same Country by reason of the site to Sea, hills or dales, want of water, nature of soyle, & the like; as in *Spaine*, *Estramadura* is dry, sandy, barren most part, extreame hot, by reason of his plaines, *Andalusia* another Paradise, *Valence* a most pleasant Aire, and continually greene: so is it about *Granado*, on the one side fertile plaines, on the other, continuall snow to be seene all Sommer long on the hill tops. That their houses in the *Alpes* are three quarters of the yeare couered with snow, who knowes not? That *Tenariffa* is so cold at the top, extreame hot at the bottome: *Mons Atlas* in *Africke*, *Libanus* in *Palestina*, with many such, *tantos inter ardores fidos nivibus*, † *Tacitus* calls them, and *Radzimilius* *epist. 2. fol. 29.* yeeldes it to be farre hotter there, then in any part of *Italy*, 'tis true: but they are highly eleuated, neere the middle Region, and therefore cold, *ob paucam solarium radiorum refractionē*, as *Serrarius* answeres, *comm. in 3. cap. ioh. quest. 5. Abulensis quest. 37.* In the heat of Summer, in the Kings palace in *Escoriall*, the Aire is most temperate, by reason of a cold blast which comes from the snowy mountaines of *Sierra de Caderama* hard by, when as in *Toledo* it is very hote, so in all other Countries. The causes of these alterations are common, by reason of their neerenesse (I say) to the middle Region: but this diversity of Aire, in places equally site, elevated, and distant from the Pole, can hardly be satisfied, with that diversity of Plants, Birds, Beasts, which is so familiar with vs, with *Indians*, euery-where: the Sunne is equally distant, the same verticall starres, the same irradiations of Planets, Aspects alike, the same neerenesse of Seas, the same superficies, the same soyle, or not much different. The Philosophers of *Cosmimbrica*, will refer this diuersity, to the influence of that *Empyrean* Heauen: for some say the *Exentricity* of the Sunne is come nearer to the Earth, then in *Ptolomies* time, the vertue therefore of all the vegetalls is decayed, men grow † lesse, &c. There are that obserue new motions of the Heauens, and from those motions, proceed (as they conceiue) diuerse alterations. *Clavius* coniectures otherwise, but they be but coniectures. About *Damascus* in

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^a *Lisbon* lat. 38
^c *Danzik* lat. 54

† The same variety of weather Lod. Guicciardine obserues betwixt *Leige* & *Aix*. not farre distant. *descrip. Belg.*
^e *Magin. Quindus.*
 † *Hist. lib. 5.*

† *Terra malos homines nunc educat, atq; pullos.*

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¹ Verleman.
Nav. l. i. cap. 5.

² Strabo.

³ As vnder the
Equator in
many parts,
showres heere
at such a set
time, windes
at such a time,
the Brise they
call it.

⁴ Ferd. Cortes-
us lib. Novus
Orbis inscript.
⁵ Lapidatum
est. Livye.

⁶ Cosmog. lib. 4.
cap. 22. Hæ tem-
pestatibus deci-
dunt e nubibus
feculentia, de-
pascunturq. mo-
re locustarum
omnia virentia.

⁷ Hort. genial.
An a terrâ sur-
sum rapiuntur

à Sole, iterumq.
cum pluvys præ-
cipitantur &c.

⁸ Cosmog. cap. 6
o Cardan saith,

Vapors rise
288 miles frõ
the earth. Era-
stosthenes 48
miles.

⁹ De subtil. l. 2.
¹⁰ In Progymnas

¹¹ Prefat. ad
Euclid. Catop.

¹² Manucandi-
ate, Birds that
live continu-
ally in the
Aire, and are
neuer seene
on ground
but dead. see
Vlysses Aldero-
vandus Orni-
thol. Scal. exerc.

cap. 229.

¹³ Epist. lib. 1. p.
83. Ex quibus
constat nec di-
versa aeris &

ætheris Diaphana esse, nec refractiones aliunde, quam à crasso aere causari.

Planetarum facile sedens.

Cæli-Syria, is a ¹ Paradise, by reason of the plenty of waters, *in promptu causa est*, and the Deserts of *Arabia* barren, because of rocks, sands, and dry mou-
taines, which by no Art can be manured, 'tis euident. *Bohemia* is cold, by rea-
son it lyes all along to the North. But why should it be so hot in *Egypt*, or
there neuer raine? Why should those ² *Etesian* and Easterne winds blow cõ-
tinually in some places, at set times, one way still, in the dog dayes only: heere
perpetuall drought, there dropping showres; heere foggy mist, there a plea-
sant Aire: heere ³ terrible thunder & lightning at such set seasons, heere fro-
zen seas, there open in the same latitude, to the rest no such thing, nay quite
opposite is to be found? Sometimes as in *Peru*, on the one side of the moun-
taines it is hot, on the other cold, with infinite such.

Who can giue a reason of this diversity of Meteors, that it should raine
⁴ Stones, Frogges, Mice &c. rattes, which they call *Lemmer* in *Normay*, and
are manifestly obserued (as ⁵ *Munster* writes) by the Inhabitants, to descend
and fall with some feculent showres, and like so many locusts, consume all
that is Greene. *Leo Afer* speakes as much of Locusts about *Fez* in *Barbary*,
there be infinite swarmes in their fields vpon a sudden; they cannot imagine
whence they come, but from Heauen. Are these and such creatures, corne,
wood, stones, wormes, wooll, blood &c. lifted vp into the middle Region by
the Sunnes beames, as ⁶ *Baracellus* the Physitian disputes, and thence let fall
with showres, or there ingendred? ⁷ *Cornelius Gemma* is of that opinion, they
are there conceiued by celestiaall Influences: others suppose they are imme-
diatly from God, or prodigies raised by Art and illusion of spirits, which are
princes of the Aire. In fine of Meteors in generall, *Aristotles* reasons are ex-
ploded by *Paracelsus*, his principles confuted, and other causes assigned, *Sal*,
Sulphur, *Mercury*, in which his disciples are so expert, that they can alter Ele-
ments, and separate at their pleasure, make perpetuall motions, imitat thun-
der, snow, haile, the Seas motions, giue life to creatures (as they say) with-
out generation, and what not? *P. Nonius Saluciensis*, and *Kepler*, take vpon
them to demonstrate, that no Meteors, Clouds, Fogges, ⁸ Vapors, arise
higher then 50 or 80 miles, and all the rest to be purer Aire, or Element of
fire. Which *P. Cardan*, ⁹ *Tycho*, and ¹⁰ *John Pena* manifestly confute by refra-
ctions, & many other arguments, there is no such element of fire at all. If as
Tycho proues the Moone be distant from vs 50 and 60 Semediameters of
the Earth: and as *Peter Nonius* will haue it, the aire bee so angust, what pro-
portion is there betwixt the other three Elements, and it? to what vse serues
it? is it full of spirits which inhabite it, as the *Paracelsians* & *Platonists* hold,
the higher, the more noble, ¹¹ or full of Birds, or a meere *Vacuum* to no pur-
pose? Is it much controverted betwixt *Tycho Brahe*, and *Christopher Rotman*
the *Langraue* of *Hassias* Mathematician, in their Astronomical Epistles,
whether it be the same *Diaphanum*, cleerenesse, matter of the Aire and Hea-
uens, or two distinct Essences? *Christopher Rotman*, *John Pena*, *Jordanus Bru-*
nus, with many other late Mathematicians, contend that it is the same, and
one matter throughout, sauing that the higher, still the purer it is, and more
subtile. ¹² *Tycho* will haue two distinct matters of Heauen and Aire; but to say
truth, with some small qualification, they haue one and the selfe-same opini-

Non dura aut impervia, sed liquida subtilis, motuq.

on, about the Essence and matter of Heavens, that it is not hard and impenetrable, as *Peripateticks* hold, transparent of a *quinta essentia*, but that it is penetrable and soft as the Aire it selfe is, and that the Planets move in it, as Birds in the Aire, Fishes in the Sea. This they proue by motion of Comets, and otherwise, which are not generated, as *Aristotle* teacheth, in the aëriall Region of an hot and dry exhalation, and so consumed; but as *Anaxagoras* & *Democritus* held of old, of a celestially matter: & as ^u *Tycho*, ^x *Helisæus Ræslin*, ^u *Thaddæus Haggæsius*, *Pena*, *Rotman*, *Fracastrorius*, demonstrate by Parallaxes, refractions, motions of the Planets which interseire & cut one anothers orbes, now higher, and then lower, as δ amongst the rest, which sometimes, as [†] *Kepler* confirms by his owne, and *Tycho's* accurate obseruations, comes nearer the Earth then the $\odot$, and is againe sometimes aloft in *Iupiters* orbe. & γ other sufficient reasons, farre about the Moone: exploding in the meane time that Element of Fire, those monstrous Orbes of *Eccentricks*, and *Eccentric Epicycles*. Which howsoever *Ptolomy*, *Alhasen*, *Vitello*, *Maginus*, *Clavius*, and many of their associats stiffely maintaine, to be reall orbes, excentricke, concentricke, circles æquant &c. are absurd and ridiculous. For who is so mad to thinke, that there should be so many circles, like subordinate wheeles in a clock, all impenetrable and hard, as they faime, adde and substract at their pleasures. ^z *Maginus* makes eleuen Heavens, all subdivided into their orbes and circles, and all too little to serue those severall apparances, *Fracastrorius* 72. Homocentricks, *Tycho Brahe*, *Nicholas Ramerus*, *Helisæus Ræslin*, haue severall hypotheses of their owne inventions, and they be but inventions, as most of them acknowledge, as we admit of *Equators*, *Tropicks*, *Colures* for doctrines sake (though *Ramus* think them all vnecessary) they will haue them supposed only for method and order. *Tycho* hath fained, I know not how many subdivisions of *Epicycles* in *Epicycles* &c. to calculate and expresse the Moones motion: But when all is done, as a supposition, and no otherwise; Not (as he holds) hard, impenetrable, subtile, transparent &c. or making Musicke; as *Pythagoras* maintained; but still quiet, liquid, open &c.

If the Heavens then be penetrable, as these men deliuer, & no lets, it were not amisse in this aëriall progresse, to make wings, and flye vp, as that *Turke* in *Busbequius*, made his fellow-citizens in *Constantinople* beleue he would performe: and some new-fangled wits, me thinks, should sometime or other finde out: or if that may not be, yet with a *Galilies* glasse, or *Icaro-menippus* wings in *Lucian*, command the Spheares and Heavens, and see what is done amongst them. Whether there be generation and corruption, as some think, by reason of ætheriall Comets, that in *Cassiopea* 1570. that A^o 1607 &c. and many like, or that they were created *ab initio*, and shew themselves at set times: and as *Helisæus Ræslin* contends, haue Poles, Axeltrees, Circles of their owne, and regular motions. *An cælum sit coloratum?* Whether the stars be of that bignesse, distance, as Astronomers relate, so many in ^b number, 1026. or 1725, as *I. Bayerus*; or as some *Rabbins* 29000 *Myriades*; or as *Galilie* discouers by his glasses, infinite, and that *via lactea*, a confused light of small starres; the least visible Starre in the eighth Spheare, 18 times bigger then the earth; whether they be thicker parts of the Orbes, as *Aristotle* deli- uers, or so many habitable Worlds, as *Democritus*: whether they haue light of their owne, or from the Sunne, or giue light round, as *Patritius* discour- seth.

^u In *Prolegomenis*,
^x *De Theoria*
nova Meteor. cele-
stium 1578.

[†] *Epist. Astron.*
lib. 4.

¹ Multa sanè
hinc consequuntur
absurda, &
si nihil aliud, tot
Cometa in æthe-
re animaduersi,
qui nullius orbis
ductum comita-
tur, id ipsum suf-
ficienter refel-
lunt. *Tycho astr.*
epist. pag. 107.
^z In *Theoricis*
Planetarum.

^u *Theor. nova*
celest. Meteor.

^b *An sit crux*
& nubecula in
cælis ad Polum
Antarcticum,
quod ex Cassio
refert Patritius.

seth. Whether light be of the Essence; whether they be hot by themselves, or by accident cause heat? whether there be such a Precession of the Equinoxes, as *Copernicus* holds, or that the eighth Spheare moue? *An bene Philo. sophentur, R. Bacon, & I. Dee, Aphorism. de multiplicatione specierum.* Whether there be any such Images ascending with each degree of the Zodiack in the East, as *Aliacensis* faines. *An aqua super cælum, as Patritius &c.* Or to omit all smaller controversies, or matters of lesse moment, to examine that maine Paradoxe of the Earths motion, now so much in question. *Pythagoras* maintained it of old; *Democritus*, and many of their Schollers, and some Commentators will haue *Iob* to insinuate *cap. 9. vers. 4. Qui commouet terram de loco suo, &c.* whom *Pineda* confutes, most contradict: howsoeuer, it is reuiued since by *Copernicus*, not as a truth, but as a supposition, as he confesseth himselfe in the Preface, but now maintained in good earnest, by *† Calagninus, Kepler, Rotman, Gilbert, Digges, &* some others of his followers. For if the Earth be the Center of the World, stand still, and the Heauens moue, as the most receiued opinion is, *Quis ille furor?* &c. What Fury is that, saith *Dr Gilbert*, that shall driue the Heauens about with such incomprehensible celerity in 24 houres, when as euery point of the Firmament, and in the *Equator* must needs moue (as *Clavius* calculates) 176660 in one 24th part of an houre: and an arrow out of a bowe, must goe seauen times about the Earth, whilst a man can say an *Aue Maria*, if it keepe the same space, or passe the Earth 1884 times in an houre, which is *supra humanam cogitationē*, beyond humane conceipt. A man could not ride so much ground, going 40 miles a-day, in 2904 yeares, as the Firmament goes in 24 houres, *quod incredibile videtur*: And the *☉ Pole starre*, which to our thinking scarce moueth out of his place, goeth a bigger circuit then the Sunne, whose Diameter is much larger then the Diameter of the Heauen of the Sunne. To avoid therefore these impossibilities, they ascribe a triple motion to the Earth, the Sunne immouable in the Center, and solue all apparances, better then any way whatsoeuer; calculate all motions, much more certaine then by those *Alphon sine*, or any such tables, which are grounded from those other suppositions. Now, if the Earth moue, it is a Planet, and shines to them in the Moone, and to the other Planetary Inhabitants, as the Moone and they doe to vs vpon the Earth: but shine she doth, as *Galilye, & Kepler*, and others proue, and then *per consequens*, the rest of the Planets are inhabited, as well as the Moone, which he grants in his dissertation with *Galilyes Nuncius Siderum*, & that there be *Iouialland Saturnine Inhabitants &c.* and that those seuerall Planets, haue their seuerall Moones about them, as the Earth hath hers, as *Galilyus* hath already evinced by his glasses, foure about *Iuppiter*, two about *Saturne* (though *Sittius* the *Florentine* cavill at it) yet *Kepler*, the Emperours Mathematicitian, confirms out of his experience, that he saw as much, by the same helpe. Then (I say) the Earth and they be Planets alike, inhabited alike, moued about the Sunne, the common center of the World alike, and it may be those two greene children, which *† Nabrigensis* speakes of in his time, that fell from Heauen, came from thence. Wee may likewise inferre with *Brunus*, that which *Melissus, Democritus, Leucippus* maintained in their ages, *Ioue & reliqua Planets incolas esse. Kepler fol. 26. Si non sint accohe in Iouis globo, qui notent admirandam hanc varietatem oculis, cui bona quatuor illi Planets. Iodem circumstant. † Rerum Anglie. lib. 1. cap. 27. de viridibus pueris.*

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there be infinite Worlds, and infinite Earths, because infinite starres & Planets, like vnto this of ours. ^k *Kepler* betwixt iest and earnest in his *Peripetiaes*, *Lunar Geography*, *dissertat. cum nunc syder.* seemes in part to agree with this, and partly to contradict; for the Planets he yeelds them to be inhabited, hee doubts of the starres: and so doth *Tycho* in his *Astronomicall Epistles*, out of a consideration of their vastity and greatnesse, breake out into some such like speeches, That he will neuer beleue that those great & huge Bodies were made to no other vse, then this that we perceiue, to illuminate the Earth, a point insensible, in respect of the whole. But who shall dwell in these vast Bodies, Earths, Worlds, ^l if they be inhabited *rationall creatures*, as *Kepler* demands? or haue they soules to be saved? or doe they inhabite a better part of the world then we doe? or are we or they Lords of the world? and how are all things made for man? *Difficile est nodum hunc expedire, cū quod nōdum omnia quæ huc pertinent, explorata habemus*, it is hard to determine: this onely he proues, that we are in *precipuo mundi sinu*, in the best place, best World, nearest the Heart of the Sun. These and such like prodigious Paradoxes, inferences must needes follow, if it once be granted, which *Rotman*, *Kepler*, *Gilbert*, *Diggeus*, *Galily*, and others, maintaine of the Earths motion, that it is a Planet, and shines as the Moone doth, which containes in it *both land and sea as the Moone doth*, for so they finde by their glasses, that *Macule in facie Lunæ*, the brighter parts are Earth, the duskie, Sea, which *Plutarch* and *Pythagoras* formerly taught: and manifestly discern hills and dales, and such like concavities, if we may subscribe to, and beleue *Galilies* obseruations. But to auoide these Paradoxes of the Earths motion, our later Mathematicians haue rolled all the stones that may be stirred: and to salue all apparences and objections, haue invented new hypotheses, and fabricated new systemes of the World, out of their owne *Dedalean* heads. *Frasastorius* will haue the Earth stand still, as before, and to auoid that supposition of *Eccentricks* and *Epicycles*, he hath coyned 72 *Homocentricks*, to salue all apparences. *Nicholas Ramerius*, will haue the Earth the Center of the World, but moueable, & the eighth Spheare immoueable, the fīue vpper Planets to moue about the Sun, the Sun and Moone about the Earth. Of which Orbs, *Tycho Brahe* puts the Earth the Centre immoueable, the Stars immoueable; the rest with *Ramerius*, the Planets without Orbes to wander in the Aire, and keepe time and distance, true motion, according to that vertue which God hath giuen them. ⁿ *Helisæus Ræslin* censureth them both, with *Copernicus* and *Ptolomeus*, as vn̄sufficient: one offends against naturall Philosophy, another against Optick principles, a third against Mathematicall, as not answering to Astronomicall obseruations: one puts a great space betwixt *Saturnes* Orbe, and the eighth Spheare, another too narrow. In his owne hypothesis he makes the Earth as before, the vniuersall Centre, the Sun to the fīue vpper Planets, to the eighth Spheare he ascribes diurnall motion, *Eccentricks* and *Epicycles* to the seuen Planets, which hath bin formerly exploded, and so

Dum vitant stulti vitia, in contraria currunt, as a Tinker stops one hole, and makes two, he corrects them, and doth worse himselfe: reformes some, and marres all. In the meane time, the World is tossed in a blanket amongst them, they hoise the Earth vp and downe like a Ball, make it stand and goe at their pleasures: one saith, the Sunne stands, another hee

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moues,

ⁱ Infiniti alij mundi, vel ut Bruus, terra hinc nostræ familes.

^k Kepler. fol. 2. dissert. Quid impedit quin credamus ex his initis, plures alios mundos delegendos, vel (ut Democrito placuit) infinitos.

^l Quid igitur inquires, si sint in celo plures globi, similis nostræ telluris, an cum illis certabimus, quis meliorem mundi plagam teneat? Si nobiliores illo-um globi, nos non sumus creaturatum. rationaliū nobilissimi: quomodo igitur omnia propter hominem? quomodo nos dominū operum Dei? Kepler. fol. 29.

^m His argumētis planē satisfecisti, do maculas in Lunā, esse maria, do lucidas partes esse terram. Kepler. fol. 16.

ⁿ In Hypothesi de mundo. Edit. 1597.

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Io. Fabritius
de maculis in
sole. 1611.

Lugduni Bat.
A. 1612.

Ne & subdu-
cant, & reliqua
statione decessu
parent, ut curio-
sitas finem fa-
ciant.

Hercules tuam
fidem Satyra
Menippea edit.
1608.

Sardi Venales
Satyr. Menip.
A. 1612.

Puteani Co-
mus sic incipit,
or as Lipsius
Satyre in a
dreame.

Tritemius lib.
de 7 secundis.
x They haue
fetched Tra-
ianes soule out
of Hell, & ca-
nonize for
Saints whom
they list.

Napier.
Brightman.

Veme pluma
leuat, sic graue
mergit omni.

moves, a third comes in, taking them all at rebound: & lest there should any Paradox be wanting, he findes certaine spots and clouds in the Sun, by the the help of glasses, by meanes of which, the Sun must turne round vpon his own Center, or they about the Sun. Fabritius puts only three, and those in the Sun, Apellet 15, and those without the Sun, floating like the *Cyanean* Isles in the *Euxine* Sea, & are so confident, that they haue made Tables of their motions. The *P Hollander* in his *dissertationcula cum Apelle*, censures all: & so whilst these men contend about the Sun & Moon, like the Philosophers in *Lucian*, it is to be feared, the Sun & Moone will hide themselves, & be as much offended as she was with those, & send another message to *Iuppiter*, by some new-fangled *Icaromenippus*, to make an end of all those curious Controversies, and scatter them abroad.

But why should the Sunne and Moone be angry, or take exceptions at Mathematicians and Philosophers? whenas the like measure is offered vnto God himselfe, by a company of Theologasters, they are not contented to see the Sunne and Moone, and measure their site and biggest distance in a glasse, calculate their motions, or visite the Moone in a Poeticall fiction, or a dreame, as he saith, *Audax Facinus & memorabile nunc incipiam, neq; hoc seculo usurpatum prius, quid in Luna regno hac nocte gestum sit exponam, & quo nemo unquam nisi somniando peruenit*: Hee and *Menippus*: or as *Peter Caneus*, *Bona fide agam, nihil eorum quae scripturus sum, verum esse scitote &c. quae nec facta, nec futura sunt, dicam, stili tantum & ingenij causa*, not in iest, but in good earnest they will transcend Spheares, Heauen, Starres, into that *Empyrean* Heauen, soare higher yet, and see what God himselfe doth. The Iewish Talmudists take vpon them to determine how God spends his whole time, sometimes playing with *Leviathan*, sometimes ouerseeing the world, &c. like *Lucians Iupiter*, that spent much of the yeare in painting butterflies wings, and seeing who offered sacrifice, telling the houres when it should raine, how much snowe should fall in such a place, which way the winde should stand in *Greece*, which way in *Africke*. In the *Turkes Alcoron*, *Mahomet* is taken vp to heauen vpon a *Pegasus* sent a purpose for him, as he lay in bed with his wife, and after some conference with God, is set on ground againe. The Pagans paint him and mangle him after a thousand fashions, and our Heretickes and Schismaticks, and some Schoolemen, come not far behinde, some paint him in the habit of an old man, and make maps of heauen, number the Angells, tell their seuerall names, offices, some deny God and his prouidence, some take his office out of his hand, and will binde & loose in heauen, release, pardon, forgiue, and be quarter master with him, some call his Godhead in question, his power, attributes, omnipotency, *an possit plures similes creare deos, an ex scarabeo deum, &c.* & quo demum ruetis sacrificuli? some by visions & revelations, take vpon them to be familiar with God, and to be of privy counsell with him, they wil tell how many, and who shall bee saued, and when the world shall come to an end, what yeare, what moneth, and whatsoeuer else God hath reserued vnto himselfe, & to his Angells. But hoo? I am now gone quite out of sight, I am almost giddy with rousing about: I could haue ranged farther yet, but I am an infant, and not able to diue into these profundities, not able to vnderstand, much lesse to discusse. I leaue the contemplation of these things, to stronger wits, that haue better ability

ability, and happier leasure to wade into such Philosophicall mysteries: my melancholy spaniels quest, my game is sprung, and I must come downe and follow.

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Iason Pratenfis in his booke *de morbis capitis*, and Chapter of Melancholy, hath these words out of *Galen*,^a *Let them come to me to knowe what meate and drinke they shall use, and besides that I will teach them what temper of ambient Ayre they shall make choice of, what wind, what countries they shall chuse, and what avoid.* Out of which words of his, this much wee may gather, that to this cure of melancholy, amongst other things, this Rectification of aire is necessarily required. This is performed, either in reforming Naturall or Artificiall Ayre. Naturall, is that which is in our election to choose or avoid, and 'tis either generall to Countries, Prouinces; or particular to Citties, Townes, Villages, or priuate houses. What harme those extremities of heat or cold doe in this malady, I haue formerly shewed: the *medium* must needs be good, where the ayre is temperate, serene, quier, free from bogges, fens, mists, all manner of putrefaction, contagious & filthy noysome smels. The *b* Egyptians by all Geographers are commended to be *hilaris*, a conceited and merry nation, which I can ascribe to no other cause then to the serenity of their Ayre. They that liue in the *Orchades* are registred by *c* *Heretor Boethius*, and *d* *Cardan*, to bee faire of complexion, long-liued, most healthfull, free from all manner of infirmities of Body and minde, by reason of a sharpe purifying Ayre, which comes from the Sea. The *Bæotians* in *Greece* were dull and heavy, *Craſſi Bæoti*, by reason of a foggy ayre in which they liued, (* *Bæotum in crasso iurares aere natum*) *Attica* most acute, pleasant and refined. The Clime changeth not so much customes, manners, wits, as *Aristotle Polit. 6. lib. c. 4. Vegetius, Plato, Bodine, method. hist. c. 5.* haue proued at large, as constitutions of their bodies, and temperature it selfe. In all particular Provinces wee see it confirmed by experience, as the Ayre is, so are the inhabitants dull, heavy, witty, subtil, neat, cleanly, clownish, sicke, and sound. In *d* *Perigort* in *France* the Ayre is subtil, healthfull, seldome any plague or contagious disease, but hilly and barren: the men sound, nimble and lusty, but in some parts of *Quienne* full of moores and marishes, the people dull, heavy, and subiect to many infirmities. Who sees not a great difference berwixt *Surrey, Sussex, and Rumny* marsh, the woolds in *Lincolnshire*, and the *Fennes*. Hee therefore that loues his health, if his ability will giue him leaue, must often shift place, and make choice of such as are wholsome, pleasant, & convenient, there is nothing better then change of Ayre in this Malady, and generally for health, to wander vp and downe, as those *e* *Tartari Zamolhenses*, that liue in hords, & take opportunity of times, places, seasons. The Kings of *Persia* had their Summer and Winter houses, in Winter at *Sardis*, in Summer at *Susa*. † *Cyrus* liued seauen cold months at *Babylon*, three at *Susa*, two at *Ecbatana*, saith *Xenophon*, & had by that meanes a perpetuall spring. The *Turkes* liue sometimes at *Constantinople*, sometimes at *Adrianople*, &c. The Kings of *Spaine* haue their *Escuri*all in heat of Summer, ‡ *Madritte* for an wholsome seate, *Villadolite* a pleasant site, &c. variety of secessus, as all Princes and great men haue, & their seuerall progresses to this purpose. *Lucullus* the Roman had his house at *Rome*, at *Baie*, &c. § When *Cn. Pompeius, Marcus Cicero* (saith *Plutarch*) and many noble men in the Som-

^a Veniant ad me audienti quod esculentur, quo item poculento uti debeant, & præter alimētum ipsum, potumq, ventos ipsos docebo, item aeris ambientis temperiem, insuper regiones quas eligere, quas vitare ex usu sit.

^b Leo Afer, Maginus, &c.

^c Lib. 1. Scot. hist.

^d Lib. 1. de rer. var.

* Horat.

^d Maginus.

^e Hauonius de Tartariis.

† Cypriod. lib. 8. perpetuum inde ver.

‡ The Aire so cleare it neuer breeds the plague.

§ Leander Albertus in Campania, & P. Iustascho vitā Lucullus.

Cum Cn. Pompeius, Marcus Cicero, multiq, nobiles viri L.

Lucullum æstiuo tempore contempnissent, Pompeius inter comarum familiari-ter iocatus est, eam villam im-

primis sibi sumptuosam & elegantem videri, fenestris, portici-

buis &c.

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mer came to see him, at supper *Pompeius* iested with him, that it was an elegant and pleasant Village, full of windowes, galleries, and all offices fit for a Summer house; but in his iudgement very vnfit for Winter: *Lucullus* made answer, that the Lord of the house had wit like a Crane, that changeth her Country with the season, hee had other houses furnished, and built for that purpose, all out as commodious as this. So *Tully* had his *Tusculane*, *Plinius* his *Lauretan* Village, and euery Gentleman of any fashion in our times, hath the like. The^b Bishops of *Exeter* had 14 seuerall houses all furnished in times past. In *Italy* though they liue in Citties in Winter, which is more Gentleman-like, all the Summer they come abroad to their Countrey houses to recreate themselves. Our gentry in *England* liue most part in the Country (except it bee some few Castels) building still in bottomes (saithⁱ *Iovius*, or neere woods, *corona arborum virentium*, you shall know a Village by a tuft of trees at it, or about it, to avoid those strong windes, wherewith the Island is infested, and cold Winter blasts. Some discommend all moted houses, as vnwholsome, so *Camden* saith of^k *New-elme*, that it was therefore vnfrequented, *ob stagni vicini halitus*, and all such places as bee neere lakes or rivers. But I am of opinion, that these inconueniences will be mittigated, or easily corrected by good fires, as one reports of *Venice*, that *grauelentia* and fogge of the moores, is sufficiently qualified by those innumerable smoaks. But it is not water simply that so much offends, as the flyme and noisome smells, that accompany such ouerflowed places, which is but at some few seasons after a flood, & is sufficiently recompenced with sweet smells & aspects in Summer, *Ver pingit vario gemantia prata colore*; & many other commodities of pleasure and profit, or els may be corrected by the site, if it be somewhat remote from the water, as *Lindly*,^{*} *Orton super montem*,[†] *Drayton*, or a little more eleuated, as^{*} *Caucut*,[†] *Amington*,^o *weddington* (to insist in such places best to me knowne) ypon the riuer of *Anker* in *Warwickshire*,^{*} *Swarston*, and[†] *Drakesly* ypon *Trent*. Or howsoeuer they be vnseasonable in winter, or at some times, they haue their good vse in Summer. If so be that their meanes be such, as they may not admit of any such variety, but must make choice once for all, and make one house serue all seasons, I knowe no men that haue giuen better rules in this behalfe, then our husbandry writers. ¹ *Cato*, and *Columella* prescribe a good house to stand by a nauigable riuer, good highwaies, neere some Citty, and in a good soyle, but that is more for commodity then health.

The best soyle commonly yeelds the worst Ayre, a dry sandy plat is fittest to build vpon, and such as is rather hilly then plaine, full of Downes, a *Cotswald* country, as being most commodious for hawking, hunting, wood, waters, and all manner of pleasures. *Perigort* in *France* is barren, yet by reason of the excellency of the Ayre, and such pleasure that it affords, much inhabited by the Nobility; as *Noremberg* in *Germany*, *Toledo* in *Spaine*. Our Countreiman *Tusser* will tell vs so much, that the fieldone is for profit, the woodland for pleasure and health, the one commonly a deepe clay, therefore noysome in Winter, & subiect to bad high waies; the other a dry sandy provision may be had elsewhere, and our townes are generally bigger in the woodland then the fieldone, more frequent and populous, and Gentlemen more delight to dwell in such places. *Sutton Coldfield* in *Warwickshire* (where

^a *Godwin, vita*
Io. Poyse al.
Harman.

ⁱ *Descript. Brit.*

^k In Oxfordshire.

^{*} The possessor of *Rob. Bradshaw*, Esq.
[†] Of *George Purefe*, Esq.
^{*} The possessor of *William Purefe*, Esq.
[†] The seat of *S^r John Repington*, Knight
^o The dwelling house of *Humf. Adderly*, Esq.

^{*} *S^r John Harpurs* lately deceased.
[†] *S^r George Grefelies*, Knight.
¹ *Lib. 1.64p.2.*

(where J was once a Grammer Scholler) may be a sufficient witnesse, which stands, as *Camden* notes, *loco ingrato & sterili*, but in an excellent Ayre, and full of all manner of pleasures. * *Wadley* in *Barkshire* is situate in a vale, though not of so fertill a soyle as some Vales afford, yet a most commodious site, wholsome, in a delicious ayre, a rich and pleasant seat. And he that built that faire house ^m *Wullerton* in *Nottinghamshire*, is much to bee commended (though the tract be sandy and barren about it) for making choice of such a place. *Constantine* li. 2. cap. de agricult. praiseth mountaines, hilly, steep places about the rest by the Sea side, and such as looke toward the ⁿ North, vpon some great riuer, as * *Farmaske* in *Darbsshire* on the *Trent*, enuironed with hills, open only to the North, like mount *Edgemond* in *Cornwall*, which Mr [†] *Carew* so much admires for an excellent seat. Such as is the generall site of *Bohemia*, serenat *Boreas*, the Northwinde clarifies, but neere lakes or marishes, in holes, obscure places, or to the South & West he utterly disproues, those winds are vnwholsome, putrifying, and make men subiect to diseases. The best building for health according to him is *P in high places*, and in an excellent prospect. *P. Crescentius* in his 1. lib. de Agric. cap. 5. is very copious in this subiect, how a house should be wholsomely sited, in a good coast, good Ayre, wind, &c. *Varro* de re rust. lib. 1. cap. 12. forbids lakes and riuers, marish grounds, they cause a bad aire, grosse diseases hard to be cured: [†] if it bee so that he cannot helpe it, better as hee aduiseeth sell thy house and land, then loose thy health. Hee that respects not this in choosing of his seat, or building his house, is mente captus, mad, [†] *Cato* saith, and his dwelling next to Hell it selfe, according to *Columella*, he commends the middle of an hill vpon a descent. *Baptista Porta Villa* lib. 1. cap. 22. censures *Varro*, *Cato*, *Columella*, and those ancient Rusticks, approuing many things, disallowing some, & will by all meanes haue the front of an house stand to the South, which how it may be good in Italy and hotter climes, I knowe not, in our Northerne Countries I am sure it is best. *Stephanus* a Frenchman *predio rustic* lib. 1. cap. 4. subscribes to this, approuing especially the Descent of an hill South or South-East, with trees to the North, so that it be well watered, a condition in all sites, which must not be omitted, as *Herbastein* inculcates lib. 1. *Iulius Caesar*, *Claudianus* a Physitian consult. 24. for a Nobleman in *Poland*, melancholy giuen, aduiseeth him to dwell in a house inclining to the [†] East, and ^u by all meanes to prouide the Aire be cleare and sweet, which *Montanus* consil. 229. counselleth the Earle of *Monfort* his patient, to inhabit a pleasant house, and in a good Aire. If it be so, the naturall site may not bee altered of our City, Towne, Village, yet by artificiall meanes it may be helped. In hot countries therefore they make the streets of their Citties very narrow, all ouer *Spaine*, *Africke*, *Italy*, *Greece*, and many Citties of *France*, in *Languedocke* especially, & *Prouence*, those Southerne parts: *Montpelier* the habitation and Vniuersity of Physitians is so built, with high houses, narrow streets, to keep out the Sonnes scaulding rayes, which *Tacitus* comeds lib. 15. *Annal.* as most agreeing to their health, ^{*} because the height of buildings, and narrownesse of streets, keepe away the Sunne beames. Some Citties vse Galleries, or arched Cloysters towards the street, as *Damascus*, *Bologna*, *Padua*, *Berna* in *Switzerland*, aswel to avoid tempests, as the Sunnes scorching heat. They build on high hills in hot countries, for more ayre, or to the Sea side, as *Baia*, *Naples*, &c. In our Northerne

* The seat of George Purfie Esquire.

^m S. Francis Willoughbye.

ⁿ Montani & maritimi salubriores, accliuus, & ad Boream uergentes.

[†] The dwelling of St. Tb. Burdet knight Baronet.

[†] In his Survey of Cornwall, 2. booke.

^o Prope paludes

flagna & loca

concarua vel ad

Ansurum, vel ad

occidentem in-

clinata domus

sunt morbose.

[†] Oportet igitur

ad sanitatem

domus in altio-

ribus & discare,

& ad speculati-

onem.

[†] Hyeme erit

vehementer fi-

gida, & estate

non salubris, ca-

ludes enim faci-

unt crassum ae-

rem, & difficiles

morbos.

[†] Venas quod

affibus possis, &

si nequeas, relin-

quas.

[†] Lib. 1. cap. 2.

in Orco habitat.

[†] Aurora mus

amica. Vitruv.

^u Edes Orien-

tem spectantes

vir nobilissimus

inhabitet & cu-

ret ut sit aer

clarus, lucidus,

odoriferus. Eli-

gat habitatione

optimo aere in-

cundam.

^{*} Quoniam an-

gustie itinerum,

& alitudo te-

storum non per-

inde Solis calo-

rem admittit.

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Countries we are opposite, we commend straight, broad, open, faire streets, as most besitting and agreeing to our Clime. Wee build in bottomes for warmth: and that site of *Mitylene* in the Island of *Lesbos*, in the *Aegean* Sea, which *Vitruvius* so much discommends, magnificently built with faire houses, *sed imprudenter positam*, vnadvisedly sited, because it lay along to the South, and when the South winde blew, the people were all sicke, were an excellent site in our Northerne Climes.

Of that artificiall site of houses, I haue sufficiently discoursed, if the site of the house may not be altered, yet there is much in choice of such a chamber or roome in opportune opening and shutting of windowes, excluding foraine aire and windes, and walking abroad at convenient times. *Y Crato* a German commends East and South site, (disallowes cold aire & Northerne windes in this case, rainy weather and mysty daies) free from putrefaction, bogs and muckhills. If the Aire bee such, open no windowes, come not abroad. *Montanus* will haue his patient not to stirre at all if the winde bee bigge, stand how it will, *consil. 27. and 30.* not to open a casement in bad weather, or in a boisterous season, *consil. 299.* hee especially forbiddes vs to open windowes in a South winde. The best site for chamber windowes in my iudgement are North, East, South, and which is the worst, West. *Levinus Lemnius lib. 3. cap. 3. de occult. nat. mir.* attributes so much to Aire, and rectifying of winde and windowes, that hee holds it alone sufficient to make a man sicke or well, to alter body and minde. *A cleere Ayre cheares up the spirits, exhilarates the minde, a thicke, blacke, mysty, tempestuous, contracts, overflows.* Great heed is therefore to bee taken at what times we walke, how we place our windowes, lights, and houses, how wee let in or exclude this ambient Ayre. The *Egyptians* to avoid immoderate heat, make their windowes on the top of the house like chimnies, with two tunnells to drawe a through Aire. In *Spaine* they commonly make great opposite windowes without glasse, still shutting those which are next to the Sunne: So likewise in *Turkey* and *Italy*, (*Venice* excepted, which bragges of her stately glased Pallaces) they vse paper windowes to like purpose; & lye *sub dio*, in the top of their flat roofed houses, so sleeping vnder the canopy of heaven. In some parts of *Italy* they haue windmills to drawe a cooling aire out of hollowe Caues, and disperse the same through all the Chambers of their Pallaces, to refresh them, as at *Costoxa* the house of *Casario Trento*, a Gentleman of *Vicenza*, and elsewhere. Many excellent meanes are invented to correct Nature by Art. If none of these waies helpe, the best way is to make an artificiall Aire, which howsoeuer, is profitable and good, and that is still to be made hot and moist, and to be seasoned with sweet perfumes, as pleasant and lightsome as may be, to haue Roses and Violets, and sweet smelling flowers still in their windowes, Posies in their hands. *Laurentius* commends water Lillies, a vessell of warme water still to evaporate in the roome, which will make a more delightfome perfume, if there be added Orange flowres, pils of Citrons, Rosemary, Cloues, Bayes, Rose-water, Rose vinegar, Belzoin, Ladanum, Styrax, and such like Gummes, which make a pleasant and acceptable perfume. *† Bessardus Bisantinus* preferres the smoake of Iuniper to melancholy persons, which is in great request with vs in *Oxford*, to sweeten our chambers. *Guainerius* prescribes the Aire to be moistned with water,

3 Consil. 21. l. 2.
frigidus aer, un-
bilosus, densus,
vitandus, equè
ac venti septen-
trionales, &c.

2 Consil. 24.

3 Fenestram non
aperiat.

4 Discutit Sol

horrorem crassi

spiritus, mentem

exhilarat, non

enim tam cor-

pora, quam &

animi mutatio-

nem inde sube-

unt, pro cali &

uentorum rati-

one, & sani ali-

ter affecti sint

cælo nubilo, ali-

ter sereno.

De naturâ ven-

torum see Pliny

lib. 2. cap. 26. 27

28. Strabo lib. 7

&c.

** Fines Mori-*
son, part. 1. cap. 4

c. Altomarus

cap. 7. Bruel. aer

sit lucidus, ben-

olens, humidus.

Montaltus idem

cap. 26. olfactus

verum suauum.

Laurentius c. 8.

† Ant. Philos.

cap. de melan.

d. Tract. 15. c. 9.

ex redolentibus

herbis & salijs

vitis vinifera,

salicis, &c.

and sweet hearbes boyled in it, with vine and fallow leaues, &c.^c to besprinkle the ground and posts with Rose-water, Rose-vineger, which *Avicenna* much approues. ^f Of colours it is good to behold greene, redde, yellow, and white, and by all meanes to haue light enough, with windowes in the day, wax candles in the night; for though melancholy persons loue to bee darke, yet darknesse is a great encrease of the humour.

Although our ordinary ayre be good by nature or art, yet it is not amisse as I haue said, still to change it, no better Physick for a melancholy man then change of ayre, and variety of places, to trauell abroad, & see fashions. ^g *Leo Afer* speaks of many of his countrymen so cured, without all other Physick: amongst the *Negroes*, there is such excellent Aire, that if any of them be sicke elsewhere, and brought thither, he is instantly recovered, of which hee was often an eye-witnesse. ^h *Lipsius* and *Zuinger*, and some other, adde as much of ordinary trauell. No man, saith *Lipsius*, in an Epistle to *Phil. Lanoius*, a noble friend of his, now ready to make a voyage: ⁱ can hee be such a stocke or stone, whom that pleasant speculation of countries, citties, townes, riuers, will not affect? *Paulus Amilius* that noble Roman Captaine after hee had conquered *Perseus* the last King of *Macedonia*, & now made an end of his tedious wars, though he had beene long absent from *Rome* much desired, about the beginning of Autumne (as ^{*} *Livy* describes it) made a pleasant peregrination all ouer *Greece*, accompanied with his sonne *Scipio*, and *Athenens* the brother of King of *Eumenes*, leauing the charge of his Army with *Sulpitius Gallus*. By *Thessaly* he went to *Delphos*, thence to *Megariss*, *Aulis*, *Athens*, *Argos*, *Lacedemon*, *Megalopolis*, &c. he tooke great content, excellent delight in that his voyage. As who doth not that shall attempt the like. For peregrination charmes our senses with that vnspcakable and sweet variety, [†] that some count him vnhappy that neuer trauelled, a kinde of prisoner, and pittie his case that from his cradle to his old age beholds the same still, still, still the same, the same. In so much that ^k *Rhasis* cont. lib. 1. Tract. 2. doth not onely commend, but inioyne trauell, and such variety of obiects to a melancholy man, and to lye in seuerall Innes, to be drawne into seuerall companies: *Montanus* cap. 36. and many *Neotericks* are of the same minde. *Celsus* aduiseeth him therefore that will continue his health, to haue varium vita genus, diuersity of callings, occupations, to be busied about, ^l sometimes to bee in the citty, sometimes in the countrey, now to study or worke, to be intent, then againe to hawke or hunt, swimme, runne, ride, or exercise himselfe. A good prospect alone will ease Melancholy, as *Gomesius* comments, lib. 2. cap. 7. de Sale. The Citizens of ^m *Barcino*, saith he, otherwise penned in, melancholy and stirring little abroad, are much delighted with that pleasant prospect their Citty hath into the Sea, which like that of old *Athens* besides *Egina*, *Salamina*, & many pleasant Islands, had all that variety of delicious obiects: so are the *Neapolitanes*, and inhabitants of *Genua* to see the ships, boats, and passengers goe by, out of their windowes, their whole citties being situate on the side of an hill, like *Pera* by *Constantinople*, so that every house almost hath a free prospect into the Sea. Euery country is full of such ⁿ delightful prospects, as well within land as by Sea, as *Hermon* and ^{*} *Rama* in *Palestina*, *Colalto* in *Italy*, the top of *Acrocorinthus*, or that old decayed Castle in *Corinth*, from which *Peloponessus*, *Greece*, the *Ionian* and *Aegean* Seas were semel & simul at one

^c Pavimentum

aceto & aqua

rosacea inorare

^f *Laurentius*

cap. 8.

^g Lib. 1. cap. de

morb. Astorum.

In *Nigritarum*

regione tanta

aeris temperies,

ut si quis alibi

morbosus eo ad-

uebatur, optime

statim sanitati

restituitur, quod

multis accidisse,

ipse mihi vidi o-

culis.

^h Lib. de pere-

grinat.

ⁱ Epist. 2. cent. 2.

Nec quisquam

tam lapsus ante

frutem quem non

stimulat amena

illa variag, spe-

ctio locorum,

urbium genti-

um, &c.

^{*} Lib. 45.

[†] *Fines Mori-*

son c. 3. part. 1.

^k Mutatio de

loco in locum,

Itinera & voia-

gia longa & in-

determinata, &

hospitari in di-

uersis diuerso-

ris.

^l Modo ruri esse

modo in vrbe,

sepius in agro

venari &c.

^m In *Catalonia*

in *Spain*.

ⁿ Laudaturq;

domus longos

que prospiciat

gras.

^{*} Many towns

there of that

name, saith *A-*

driconius all

high sited,

one

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o At Lindley
in Leicester-
shire, the pos-
session and
dwelling
house of Ralfe
Burton Esq.
my late de-
ceased Father.
p In Icon. ani-
morum.
q Egrotantes
ovis in alium lo-
cum transpor-
tandi sunt, ut
alium aerem et
aquam partici-
pant, coalescant
et corroboren-
tur.
r Alia vitia,
sed ex mutatio-
ne aeris potissi-
mum curantur.

one view to be taken. In *Egypt* the *Sultans* Palace in grand *Cairo*, the coun-
try being plaine, hath a maruelous faire prospect as well ouer *Nilus*, as that
great City, siue *Italian* miles long and two broad, along the river side: such
high places are infinite: with vs those of the best note are *Glassenbury* Tow-
er, *Beuer* Castle, *Rodway* Grange, &c. and two amongst the rest, which I may
not omit for vicinities sake, *Oldbury* in the confines of *Warwickshire*, where
I haue often looked about mee with great delight, at the foot of which Hill
o I was borne. And *Hanbury* in *Staffordshire*, contiguous to which is *Falde*
a pleasant Village, and an ancient patrimony belonging to our family, the
now dwelling of mine elder brother *William Burton* Esquire. p *Barclay* the
Scott commends that of *Greenwich* Towre for one of the best prospects in
Europe, to see *London* on the one side, the *Thames*, shippes, and pleasant med-
dowes on the other. There be those that say as much and more of *S^t Marks*
steeple in *Venice*. Yet these are at too great a distance, some are especially af-
fected with such obiects as be neere, to see passengers goe by in some great
Rode way, in subiectum forum despicere, to ouersee a Faire, a Marker place, a
multitude of spectators, at a Theater, or some such like shew. But I roue: the
summe is this, that variety of actions, obiects, aire, places, are excellent good
in this infirmity and all others, good for man, good for beast. q *Constantine*
the Emperour lib. 18. cap. 13 ex *Leontio*, holds it an only cure for rotten sheepe,
and any manner of sicke cattle. *Lelius à Fonte Agubinus* that great Doctor,
at the latter end of many of his consultations (as commonly hee doth set
downe what successe his Physicke had) in melancholy most especially ap-
prones of this aboue all other remedies, as appeares consult. 69. consult. 229.
&c. r Many other things helped, but change of aire was it which wrought the
cure, and did most good.

MEMB. 4.

Exercise rectified of Body and Minde.

s Nete demon-
otiosum inveni-
at.
t Anasis com-
pelled euery
man once a
yeare to tell
how he liued.
u Nostra memo-
ria Mahometes
Olbomannus
qui Gracie im-
perium subver-
tit, quum orato-
rum postulata
audiret exter-
narum gentium,
cochlearia lignea
assidue celabat,
aut aliquid in
tabula effinge-
bat.
z Sands, fol. 73
of his voyage
to Ierusalem.

TO that great inconuenience, which comes on the one side by immo-
derate and vnseasonable exercise, too much solitarinesse and idlenes
on the other side, must be opposed as an Antidote, a moderate and
seasonable vse of it, and that both of Body and minde, as a most material cir-
cumstance, much conducing to this cure, and to the generall preservation of
our health. For which cause *Hierome* prescribes *Rusticus* the Monke, that hee
be alwaies occupied about some businesse or other, t that the diuell doe not
finde him idle. The u *Egyptians* of olde, and many flourishing common-
wealths since, haue inioyned labour and exercise to all sorts of men, to be of
some vocation or calling, and to giue an account of their time, to preuent
those grievous mischiefes that come by Idlenesse. The *Turkes* inioyne all
men whatsoeuer, of what degree, to bee of some trade or other, the grand
Senior himselte is not excused. u In our memory (saith *Sabellicus*) *Mahomet*
the Turke, he that conquered Greece, at that very time when he heard Embas-
sadors of other Princes, did either carue and cut wooden spoones, or frame some-
thing vpon a table. z And this present Sultan makes notches for bowes. The
Iewes are most seuer in this examination of time, and all well governed pla-
ces,

ces, Townes, Families, and every discreet person will be a law unto himselfe. For this disease in particular, *there can be no better cure, then continuall businesse, as Rasis holds, to haue some employment or other, which may set their minde a worke, and distract their cogitations.* If it bee of the body, *Guianerius* allows that which is gentle, *and that after those ordinary frictions, which must be vsed every morning. Montanus cap. 26. and Iason Pratenfis vse almost the same words, highly commending Exercise if it be moderate, a wonderful helpe so vsed Crato calls it, and a great meanes to preserue our health, as adding strength to the whole Body, increasing naturall heat, by meanes of which, the nutriment is well concocted in the stomacke, liuer and veines, few or no crudities left, is happily distributed ouer all the Body.* Besides, it expels excrements by sweat, and other insensible vapors; in so much, that *a Galen* preferres exercise before all Physick, and Rectification of Diet, or any regiment in what kind soeuer, 'tis Natures Physitian. *b Fulgentius* out of *Gordonius, de conserv. vit. bom. lib. 1. cap. 7.* termes exercise, a spurre of a dull sleepey nature, the comforter of the members, cure of infirmities, death of diseases, destruction of all mischiefs and vices. The fittest time for exercise, is a little before dinner, or a little before supper, *c* or at any time when the Body is empty. *Montanus consil. 31.* prescribes it euery morning to his Patient, and that as *d Calenus* addes, after he hath done his ordinary needes, rubbed his body, washed his hands & face, combed his head, and gargarized. What kind of Exercise we should vse, *Galen* reles vs *lib. 2. & 3. de sanit. tuend.* and in what measure, *e* till the body be ready to sweat, and rowled vp, *ad ruborem*, some say, *non ad sudorem*, lest it should dry the Body too much, some inioyne frequent and violent labour and exercises. *epi. 1. 6. Hippocrates* confounds the, but that it is in some cases, to some peculiar men; *f* they most forbid it, and by no meanes will haue it goe farther then a beginning Sweat, as being *g* perillous if it exceed.

Of these labours, exercises and recreations, which are likewise included, some properly belong to the Body, some to the mind, some more easy, some hard, some with delight, some without, some within doores, some naturall, some are artificial. Amongst bodily exercises, *Galen* commends *ludum parvulae pileae*, to play at ball, be it with the hand or racket, in Tennis-courts, or otherwise, it exerciseth each part of the Body, and doth much good, so that they sweat not too much.

The ordinary sports which are vsed abroad, are *Hawking, Hunting, bilares venandi labores* one calls them, because they recreate Body and Mind, *i* another, the *k* best exercise that is, by which alone many haue beeme freed from all ferall diseases. *Hegeffippus lib. 1. cap. 37.* relates of *Herod*, that hee was eased of a grieuous melancholy by that meanes. *Plato 7. de leg.* highly magnifies it, diuiding it into three parts, *j* by land, water, aire. *Xenophon* in *Cyroped.* graceth it with a great name, *Deorum munus*, the gift of the gods; a princely sport, which they haue euer vsed, saith *Langius, epist. 59. lib. 2.* as well for health, as pleasure, and doe at this day, it being the sole almost and ordinary sport of all our Noblemen in *Europe*, and elswhere all ouer the World. *Bohemus de mor. gent. lib. 3. cap. 12.* stiles it therefore *studium nobilium, communiter venantur, quod sibi solis licere contendunt*, 'tis all their study, all their exercise, ordinary

Salust. Saluianus de re med. lib. 2. cap. 1. *h* Camden in Staffordshire. *i* *Fridericallius lib. 1. cap. 2.* optima omnium exercitatio-
num, multi ab hac solummodo morbis liberati. *k* *Iosephus Quercetanus dialect. polit. sect. 2. s. 11.* inter omnia exercitia prestantie lau-
dem meretur. *l* *Chyron, in monte Pelio, praepositor heroum eos a morbis animi venationibus & patris sibi tuebatur.* *Maximus Tyrus*

*Non est cura melior quam in-
ingere ys ne-
cessaria, & opor-
tuna operum
administratio
illius magnum
sanitatis incre-
mentum, &
que replent
animos eorum,
& incutiant ys
diuersas cogita-
tiones. Cont. 3.
tract. 9.*

z *Ante exerci-
tium, leues toto
corpore fricatio-
nes conveniunt.
Ad hunc mor-
bum exercitati-
ones, quum ve-
lit & suo tem-
pore sunt, miri-
ficè conducunt,
& sanitatem
tuentur &c.
a* *lib. 1. de san.
tuend.*

b *Exercitium
nature dormi-
entis stimulat,
membrorum so-
latur, morbo-
rum medela,
fuga vitiorum,
medicina lau-
guorum, destru-
ctio omnium
malorum. Cyato.*

c *Alimentis in
ventriculo probè
concoctis.
d* *Ieiunio ventris,
vesica & alvo
ab excrementis
purgata, frictio
membris, lotio
manibus & o-
culis &c. Lib. de
aerâ bile.*

e *Quousq; cor-
pus universum
intumescat, &
floridū appare-
at sudoreq; &c.*

f *Omnino sudo-
rem vitent. cap.
7. l. b. 1. Valef-
cius de Ter.*

g *Exercitium
excedat, valde
periculosum.*

^m Nobilitas
omnis fere urbes
fastidit castellis,
& libere ce-
logaudet, gene-
risq; dignitatem
una maxime
venatione, &
falconum aucu-
pys tuetur.

¹ Ios. Scaliger
comment. in Cir.
in. fol. 344.
Salmuth. 23. de
Nov. rept.
con. in Pancir.
o Lonicus.

Geffreus, Iovius
P^r Anthony
Sherlies rela-
tions.

² Hacluit.

businessse, all their talke, and indeed some dote too much after it, they can doe nothing els, discourse of nought els. *Paulus Iovius descr. Brit.* doth in some sort taxe our ^m English Nobility for it, for living in the Countrey so much, and too frequent use of it, as if they had no other meanes but Hawking & Hunting to approve themselves Gentlemen with.

Hawking comes neere to Hunting, the one in the Aire, as the other on the Earth, a sport as much affected as the other, by some preferred. ⁿ It was neuer heard of amongst the Romans, invented some 1200 yeares since, and first mentioned by *Firmitus lib. 5. cap. 8.* The Greeke Emperors began it, and now nothing so frequent: he is no body, that in the season hath not a Hawke on his fist. A great Art, & many bookes written of it. It is a wonder to heare what is related of the Turkes Officers in this behalfe, how many thousand men are employed about it, how many Hawkes of all sorts, how much reweyes consumed on that only disport, how much time is spent at *Adria-* nople alone every yeare to that purpose. The *Persian* Kings hawk after butterflies with sparrows, made to that use, and staves, lesser hawkes for lesser game, and bigger for the rest, that they may produce their sport to all seasons. The *Musconian* Emperours reclaime Eagles to flye at Hinds, Foxes, &c. and such a one was sent for a Present to ^r Queene Elizabeth: some reclaime Ravens, Castrels, Pies, &c. and manne them for their pleasures.

Fowling is more troublesome, but all one as delightfome to some sorts of men, be it with guns, lime, nets, glades, gins, strings, baites, pitfalls, pipes, calls, stawking-horses, setting-dogges &c. or otherwise. Some much delight to take Larkes with day-nets, small birds with chaffe-nets, plouers, Partridge, Herons, Snite &c. *Henry* the third, King of Castile (as *Mariana* the Jesuite reports of him *lib. 3. cap. 7.*) was much affected with catching of quails, and many Gentlemen take singular pleasure at morning and evening to goe abroad with their Quail-pipes, and will take any paines to satisfie their delight in that kind. The *Italians* haue gardens fitted to such uses, with nets, bushes, glades, sparing no cost or industry in that kinde, and are very much affected with the sport. *Tycho Brahe* that great Astronomer, in the Chorography of his Isle of *Huena*, & castle of *Vraniburge*, puts down his nets, & his maner of catching of small birds, as an ornament, and a recreation, wherein he himselfe was sometimes employed.

Fishing is a kind of hunting by water, be it by nets, weeles, baites, Angling, or otherwise, and yeelds all out as much pleasure to some men, as dogges, or hawkes; ^c When they draw their Fish upon the banke, saith *Nic. Henselius Silesiographie, cap. 3.* speaking of that extraordinary delight his Countrey-men took in Fishing, and in making of pooles. *James Dubravius* that *Moravian*, in his book *de pisc.* telleth, how travelling by the highwayes side in *Silesia*, he found a Nobleman ^a booted up to the groines, & wading himselfe, pulling the nets, & labouring as much as any Fisherman of them all: and when some belike objected to him the basenesse of his office, he excused himselfe ^x that if other men might hunt Hares, why should not he hunt Carpes? Many Gentlemen in like sort with vs, will wade vp to the Armeholes vpon such occasions, and voluntarily vndertake that to satisfie their pleasure, which a poore man for a good stipend would scarce be hired to vndergoe. *Plutarch* in his book *de soler. animal.* speakes against all Fishing, ^y as a filthy, base, illiberall

^f Cotarnicus
aucupio,
† Fines Mori-
son. parte 3. cap
3.

² Non minorem
voluptatem a-
nimo capiunt,
quam qui seras
insestantur, aut
missis canibus
comprehendunt,
quum retia tra-
hentes, squamo-
sas pecudes in
ripas adducunt.

^u More piscato-
rum, exuribus
ocreatus.

^x Si principibus
venatio leporis
non sit inhon-
esta, nestio quo-
modo piscatio cy-
prianorum vi-
deri debeat pu-
denda.

^y Omnino turpis
piscatio, nullo
studio digna, il-
liberalis credita
est, quid nullum
habet ingenium,
nullam perspi-
caciā.

employ.

employment, having neither wit nor perspicacity in it, not worth the labour. But he that shall but consider the variety of Baits, and pretty devices which our Anglers have invented, peculiar lines, false flies, severall sleights &c. will say, that it deserves as much commendation; requires as much study, & perspicacity as the rest, & much to be preferred before many of them: Because hawking & hunting are very laborious, much riding, & many dangers accompany them; but this is still and quiet: and if so be the Angler catch no Fish, yet he hath a wholesome walke to the Brooke side, pleasant shade, by the sweet silver streames, he hath fresh Aire, & sweet smells of fine fresh meadow flowres, he hears the melodious harmony of birds, he sees the swannes, herons, ducks, water-hens, cootes &c. and many other fowle, with their brood; which he thinketh better then the noyse of hounds, or blast of hornes, and all the sport that they can make.

Many other sports & recreations there be, much in use, as Ringing, bowling, shooting, which *Askam* commends in a iust volumne, and hath in former times bin inioyned by Statute, as a defensue exercise, and an honor to our Land, as well may witness our victories in *France*. Keelpins, tronkes, coites, pitching bars, hurling, wrestling, leaping, running, fencing, mustering, swimming, wasters, foiles, foot-ball, balowne, quintans &c. and many such, which are the common recreations of countrey folkes. Riding of great horses, running at ring, tilts and turnaments, horse-races, wilde-goose chases, which are the disports of greater men, and good in themselves, though many Gentlemen by that meanes, gallop quite out of their fortunes.

But the most pleasing of all outward pastimes, is that of *Arctus*, deambulation per amena loca, to make a petty progresse, a merry journey now and then with some good companions, to visite friends, see citties, castles, towns,

Visere sapè amnes nitidos, per amenaq; Tempora,

Et placidas summis sectari in montibus auras.

To see the pleasant fields, the Christall fountaines,

And take the gentle Ayre, amongst the mountaines.

To walke amongst Orchards, Gardens, Bowres, and Arbors, artificiall wildernesses, greene thickets, Arches, Groues, Rilllets, Fountaines, and such like pleasant places, like that *Antiochian Daphne*, Pooles, Fishponds, betwixt wood and water, in a faire meadow, by a riuer side, to disport in some pleasant plaine, run vp a steep hill, or sit in a shadie seat, must needs be a delectable recreation. *S. Bernard* in his description of his Monasterie, is almost ravished with the pleasures of it. A sicke man (saith he) sits vpon a green banke, and when the dog-starre parcheth the Plaines, and dries up riuers, he lyes in a shadie bowre, Fronde sub arborea ferventia temperat astra, & feeds his eyes with variety of objects, hearbes, and trees, and to comfort his misery, he receiveth many delightfull smells, and fills his eares with that sweet and various harmony of Birds: good God (saith he) what a company of pleasures hast thou made for man? He that should be admitted on a suddaine to the sight of such a Palace as that of *Escuriell* in *Spain*, or to that which the *Moors* built at *Granado*, Fountenblewe in *France*, the *Turks* gardens in his *Seraglio*, wherein all manner of Birds and beasts are kept for pleasure; Wolves, Beares, Lynces, Tygers, Lyons, Elephants &c. or vpon the bankes of that *Thracian Bosphorus* the *Popes Belvedere* in *Rome*, those famous gardens of the Lord *Chantelero*

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*Præcipua hinc
Anglic gloria,
crebre victoria
parta. Jovius.*

Cap. 7.

*Fraxastorius,
Ambulationes
subdiales, quas
hortenses aure
ministrant, sub
fornice viridi,
pampinis virenti-
bus concame-
rata.*

*Sedet egrotus
cespite viridi,
et cum inle-
mentia canicu-
laris terras ex-
coquit, et sicca
flumina, ipse se-
curus sedet sub
arborea fronde,
et ad doloris sui
solatium, navi-
bus suis grami-
neas redolet spe-
cies, pasit ocu-
los herbarum
amena viridi-
tas, aures suavis
modulamine de-
mulcet picturis
concentus avi-
um &c. Vena
bona, quanta
pauperibus pro-
curas solatia.*

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* Pet. Gillius.
Paul. Henzeus
Itinerar. Italie.
1617. Iod. Sin-
cerus Itinerar.
Gallie 1617.
Symp. lib. 1.
quest. 4.
† Lucundissima
deambulatio
iuxta mare &
navigatio prope
terram.
‡ In utrâq. flu-
minis ripâ.
§ Betwixt
Ardes & Gui-
nes. 1519.

† Suetonius in de-
litiis. fol. 487.
veteri Horatio
vultu exemplo
virtute & suc-
cessu admirabili
tæsis hostibus 17
in conspectu pa-
triae &c.
‡ Paternus
vol. post.
§ Quos antea
audivi, inquit,
hodie vidi deos.

* Virg. 1. Georg.

in France, could not choose, though he were neuer so ill apaid, but bee much recreated for the time; or many of our Noblemens gardens at home. To take a Boat in a pleasant Euening, and with musick^f to rowe vpon the waters, which *Plutarch* so much applauds. † *Alian* admires vpon the riuer *Pineus*, in those *Theffalian* fields, beset with greene Bayes, or in a *Gundile* through the grand *Canale* in *Venice*, to see those goodly Palaces, must needs refresh and giue content to a melancholy dull spirit. To see some Pageant or sight goe by, as at Coronations, Weddings, and such like solemnities, to see an Embassadour or a Prince met, receiued, entertained with Maskes, shewes, fire-works, &c. To see two Kings fight in single comba, as *Canutus*, and *Edm. Ironside*, a battle fought, one of *Cæsars* triumphs in old *Rome* reuiued, or the like. To be present at an Interview, & as that famous of *Henry* the 8th, and *Francis* the first, so much renowned all ouer *Europe*, to the sight of which, many times they will come hundreths of miles, giue any money for a place, and remember many yeares after with singular delight. *Bodine*, when he was Embassadour in *England*, said he saw the Noblemen goe with Robes to the Parliament house, *summâ cum iucunditate vidimus*, he was much affected with the sight of it. *Pomponius Columna*, saith *Iouius* in his life, saw 13. Frenchmen, and so many *Italians*, once fight for a whole Army, *Quod iucundissimum spectaculum, in vitâ dicit suâ*, the pleasantest sight that euer he saw in his life. Who would not haue bin affected with such a spectacle? or that single comba of † *Breaut* the Frenchman, and *Anthony Schets* a Dutchman, before the wals of *Syluaducis* in *Brabant*, A^o 1600. They were 22 horse on the one side, as many on the other, which like *Linies Horatii* fought, for their owne glory & Countries honor, in the sight and view of the whole City and Army.^h When *Iulius Cæsar* warred about the banks of *Rhene*, there came a *Barbarian* Prince to see him, & the *Roman* Army; and when he had beheld *Cæsar* a good while, *I see the gods now* (said he) *which before I heard of, nec feliciorem ullum vitæ meæ aut optavi, aut sensi diem*. It was the happiest day that euer he had in his life: Such a sight alone were able of it selfe to driue away melancholy, if not for euer, yet it must needs expell it for a time.

The Country hath its recreations, the City its seuerall Gymnicks & Exercises, May-games, Feasts, Wakes, & merry meetings to solace themselves; the very being in the Country, that life it selfe is a sufficient recreation to some men to enioy such pleasures, as those old Patriarkes did. *Dioclesian* the Emperour was so much affected with it, that he gaue ouer his Scepter, and turned Gardner. *Constantine* wrote 20 bookes of Husbandry. *Lysander*, when Embassadours came to see him, bragged of nothing more, then of his Orchard, *hi sunt ordines mei*. What shall I say of *Cincinnatus*, *Cato*, *Tully*, & many such, how haue they beene pleased with it, to prune, to plant,

* *Nunc captare ferâs laqueo, nunc fallere visco,
Atq; etiam magnos manibus circumdare saltus,
Insidias avibus moliri, incendere vepres.*

Sometimes with traps deceiue, with line and string
To catch wild Birds and Beasts, encompassing
The groue with dogges, and out of bushes firing.

Iucundus in his Preface to *Cato*, *Varro*, *Columella* &c. put out by him, confesseth of himselfe, that he was mightily delighted with these Husbandry studies

dies, and tooke extraordinary pleasure in them: if the Theorick or Speculation can so much affect, what shall the place and exercise it selfe, the practicke part doe. The same confession I find in *Herbastein, Porta, Camerarius*, & many others, which haue written of that subiect. If my testimony were ought worth, I could say as much of my selfe. I am verè *Saturninus*. No man euer tooke more delight in Springs, Woods, Groves, Gardens, Walkes, Fishponds, Riuers &c. But *Tantalus à labris sitiens fugentia captat Flumina*. And so doe I, *Velle licet, potiri non licet*.

Euery City almost hath its peculiar Walks, Groves, Theaters, Pageants, Games, and seuerall recreations, euery country some peculiar Gymnicks, to exhilarate their mindes, and exercise their Bodies. The ¹ *Greekes* had their *Olympian Pythian, Istmian, Nemean* games, in honour of *Neptune, Iuppiter, Apollo, Athens* hers, *Corinth* hers. Some for Honor, Garlands, Crownes; for beauty, dancing, running, leaping, like our siluer games. The ² *Romans* had their Feasts (as the *Athenians* and *Lacedemonians* had their publike bankets, in *Prytaneo, Panathenais, Thesperijs, Phiditijs*, Playes, Naumachies, places for Sea fights, ³ Theaters, Amphitheaters able to containe 70000 men, wherein they had seuerall delightfome shewes to exhilarate the people: ⁴ *Gladiators*, cumbats of men with themselves, with wild beasts, and wild beasts one with another, dancers on ropes, Juglers, Wrestlers, Comedies, Tragedies, publikely exhibited at the Emperours & Cities charge, and that with incredible cost and magnificence. In the Low-countries (as ⁵ *Meteran* relates) before these warres, they had many solemn Feasts, Playes, Challenges, Artillery Gardens, Colledges of Rimers, Rhetoricians, Poërs: and to this day, such places are curiously maintained in *Amsterdam*, as appeares by that description of *Isaacus Pontanus rerum Amstelod. lib. 2. cap. 25*. In *Italy* they haue solemn Declamations of certaine select yong Gentlemen in *Florence* (like those Reciters in old *Rome*) and publike Theaters in most of their Cities, for Stage-players and others, to exercise and recreate themselves. All seasons almost, all places haue their seuerall pastimes, some in Sommer, some in Winter, some abroad, some within; some of the body, some of the mind, and seuerall men haue their seuerall recreations, exercises. ⁶ *Domitian* the Emperour was much delighted with catching flies. *Augustus* to play with nuttes amongst Children. ⁷ *Alexander Severus* was much pleased to play with whelps and yong Pigs. ⁸ *Adrian* was so much enamored on dogs and horses, that he bestowed monuments and Tombes on them, and buried them in graues. In fowle weather, or when they can vse no other convenient sports, by reason of the time, as we vse Cock-fighting, to auoide Idleness, ⁹ *Severus* vsed Partridges and Quails, and to keepe Birds in Cages, with which he was much pleased, when at any time he had leisure from publike cares and businesse. Hee had (saith *Lampridius*) tame Pheasants, Duckes, Partridges, Peacocks, and some 20000 Ringdoues and Pigeons. *Busbequius* the Emperours Orator, when he lay in *Constantinople*, & could not stir much abroad, kept to recreate his mind, busying himself to see them fed, almost all manner of strange Birds and Beasts; This was something, though not to exercise his body, yet to recreate his mind. *Conradus Gesner* at *Zuricke* in *Switzerland*, kept so likewise for his pleasure, a great company of wild beasts, and (as he saith) took great delight to see them eat their meat. *Turkie Gentle-*

¹ *Boterus lib 3. polit. cap. 1.*

² See *Athenensium dispositio.*

³ *Ludi votivi sacri, ludicri Megalenses, Cereales, Florales, Martiales, &c.*

Rosinus 5. 12.

⁴ See *Lipsius Amphitheatrum*

Rosinus lib. 5. n. 1500 Men

at once, Tiggers, Lions, Elephants, Hor-

ses, Dogges, Beares &c.

⁵ *Lib. vii. & l. 1. Ad finem consuetudine non minus laudabili quam veteri,*

cōthemia Rhetorum Rhyth-

morum in urbibus & muni-

cipiis, Certisq; diebus exerce-

bant se sagittarij, sclopetarii, gladiatores &c.

Alia ingenij, animiq; exercitia,

quorum praeceptum studium,

principem populum tragediis,

comedijs, fabulis scenicis, alijsq; id genus ludis

recreare.

⁶ *Suetonius.*

⁷ *Lampridius.*

⁸ *Spartian.*

⁹ *Delectatus lusca tulozum,*

Porcellorum, ut perdices inter se

pugnarent, aut m. aves parvule

sum & deorsum volitarent,

his maxime delectatus, ut solitudines publicas

subleuaret.

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women, that are perpetuall prisoners, still mewed vp according to the custome of the place, haue little else besides their household businesse, or to play with their children to driue away time, but to dally with their Cats, which they haue in *delitijs*, as many of our Ladies and Gentlewomen vse Monckies, and little Dogs. The ordinary recreations which we haue in Winter, and in most solitary times busy our mindes with, are *Cardes, Tables, & Dice, Shouel-board, Chesse-play*, the Philosophers game, small trunks, balliardes, musicke, masks, singing, dancing, vlegames, catches, purposes, questions, * merry tales of errant Knights, Kings, Queenes, Louers, Lords, Ladies, Giants, Dwarfes, Theeues, Fayries &c. such as the old women tolde *Psyche* in † *Apuleius*, *Bocace* Nouells and the rest. Newes are generally welcome to all our cares, *auide audimus, aures enim hominum nouitate latantur* (* as *Pliny* obserues) we long after rumour to eare and listen to it, † *densum humeris bibit aure vulgus*. When that great *Gonsalua* was vpon some displeasure confined by King *Ferdinand*, to the City of *Loxa* in *Andalusia*, the onely comfort (saith * *Iovius*) he had to ease his melancholy thoughts, was to heare newes, and to listen after those ordinary occurrents which were brought him *cum primis*, out of all parts of *Europe*. Some mens only delight is, to take Tobacco, and drinke all day long in a Tauerne or Ale-house, to discourse, sing, jest, roare, talke of a Cock and a Bull ouer a pot &c. others to game, nothing to them so pleasant. Many too nicely take exceptions at *Cardes*, y *Tables*, and *Dice*, and such lufurious lots, whom *Gataker* well confutes. Which though they be honest recreations in themselves, yet may iustly be otherwise excepted at, as they are often abused, and forbidden as things most pernicious, *insanam rem & damnosam*, * *Lemnius* calls it. For most part in these kind of disports, it is not Art or skill, but subtilty, cunnycatching, knauery, chance and fortune carries all away. Not to passe away time for honest disport, but for filthy lucre and couetousnesse of mony. * A thing so common allouer *Europe* at this day, and so generally abused, that many men are utterly undone by it, their meanes spent, Patrimonies consumed, they and their posterity beggered, besides swearing, wrangling, drinking, losse of time, and such inconveniences, which are ordinary concomitants. b For when once they haue got a haunt of such companies, and a habite of gaming, they can hardly be drawne from it, but as an itch it will tickle them, and as it is with whoremasters, once entred, they can hardly leane off. *Vexat mentes insana cupido*, they are madde vpon their sport. So good things may be abused, and that which was first invented to refresh mens weary spirits, when they come from other labours and studies to exhilarate the mind, to entertaine time and company, tedious otherwise in those long solitary Winter nights, and keepe them from worse matters, an honest exercise, is contrarily peruered.

Chesse-play is a good exercise of the minde, for some kind of men, and fit for such melancholy, as *Rhasis* holds, as are Idle, & haue extravagant impertinent thoughts, or are troubled with cares, nothing better to distract their mind, and alter their meditations: invented (some say) by the † Generall of an Army in a famine, to keepe his Souldiers from mutiny: but if it proceed from ouermuch study, in such a case it may doe more harme then good; it is

* *Brumales leti
ne possint produ
cere noctes.*

† *Miles. 4.*

* *Epist. lib. 8.*

Ruffino.

† *Hor.*

* *Vite eius lib.
ult.*

† They account
them vnlaw-
full, because
fortilegious.

* *Institut. c. 44.*

*In his ludis ple-
rumq; non ars
aut peritia spi-
get, sed fraus,
fallacia, dolus,
astutia, casus,
fortuna, temeri-
tas locum ha-
bent, non ratio,
consilium, sapi-
entia &c.*

* *Abusus tam
frequens hodie
in Europa, ut
pleriq; crebro
harum vsu pa-
trimonium pro-
fundam exhau-
stisq; facultati-
bus, ad inopiam
redigantur.*

b *Vi semel pri-
uigo ista animu
occupat, egre
discuti potest sol-
licitantibus un-
diq; eiusdem sa-
rine hominibus,
damnosas illas
voluptates repe-
runt, quod &
scortatoribus in-
stitutum &c.*

c *Instituatur ista
exercitatio, non
lucris, sed vale-
tudinis, & oble-
tamenti ratio-
ne, & quo ani-
mus defatigatus*

respiret, novaq; vires ad subeundos labores denuo concipiat. † *Latrunculorum ludus inventus est a Duce, ut cum miles intolerabili fame laboraret, altero die edens, altero ludens, famis obliuisceretur.* *Bellonius.*

a game

a game too troublesome for some mens braines, too full of anxiety, all out as bad as study, and besides, it is a testy, cholericke game, and very offensive to him that loofeth the Mate. ^d William the Conquerour in his yonger yeares, playing at Chesse with the Prince of France, (Dauphine was not annexed to that Crowne in those dayes) losing a Mate, knocked the Chess-board about his pate, which was a cause afterward of much enmity betwixt them. For some such reason it is belike, that *Patritius* in his 3. book *Tit. 12. de reg. instit.* forbids his Prince to play at Chesse, hawking and hunting riding &c. he will allow of, and this to other men, but by no meanes to him. In *Muscovy*, where they liue in Stoues and hot-houses all Winter long, come seldome or little abroad, it is againe very necessary, and therefore in those parts (saith ^e *Herbastien*) much vsed. At *Fessa* in *Africke*, where the like inconvenience of keeping withindoores is through heat, it is very laudable; and (as ^f *Leo Afer* relates) as much frequented. A sport fit for idle Gentlemen, Souldiers in Garrison, & Courtiers that haue nought but loue matters to busie themselves about, but not altogether so convenient for such as are Students. The like I may say of *Cl. Bruxers* Philosophy game, *Dr Fulks* *Metromachia*, & his *Ouromachia*, with the rest of those curious Astrologicall and Geometrical fictions, for such especially as are Mathematically giuen: and the rest of those curious games.

Dancing, Singing, Masking, Mumming, Stage-plays, howsoeuer they bee heauily centured by some seuerer Catoes, yet if opportunely and soberly vsed, may iustly be approued. *Melius est fodere, quam saltare*, saith *Austin*, but what is that if they delight in it? ^g *Nemo saltat sobrius*. But in what kinde of dance? I know these sports haue many oppugners, whole Volumes writ against them; and some againe, because they are now cold and wayward, past themselves, cavill at all such youthfull sports in others, as he did in the Comedy, they think them, *Illico nasci senes*, &c. Some out of preposterous zeale, obiect many times triuiall arguments, and because of some abuse, will quite take away the good vse, as if they should forbid wine, because it makes men drunke; but in my iudgment they are too sterne: there is a time for all things: for my part, I willingly subscribe to the *Kings Declaration*, and was euer of that minde, those May-games, Wakes, and Whitson ales, &c. if they be not at vnseasonable times, may iustly be permitted. In *Franconia* a Province of Germany (saith ^h *Aubanus Bohemus*) the olde folkes after Euening prayer, went to the Ale-house, and the yonger sort to dance: and to say with ⁱ *Salisburienfis*, *Satius fuerat sic otuari, quam turpius occupari*, better to doe so, then worse, as without question otherwise (such is the corruption of mans nature) many of them will doe. And for that cause, Playes, Maskes, Jestes, Gladiators, Tumblers, Juglers, &c. and all that crew, is admitted and winked at. ^k *Tota iocularium scena procedit, & ideo spectacula admissa sunt, & infinita tyrocinia vanitatum, ut his occupentur, qui perniciosius otuari solent*: that they might be busied about such toyes, that would otherwise more perniciously be idle. *Evil is not to be done* (I confesse) *that good may come of it*: but this is euill per accidens, and in a qualified sence, to avoid a greater inconvenience, may iustly be tolerated. ^l *St Thomas Moore* in his *Vtopian Common-wealth*, as he will haue no man idle, so will he haue no man labour ouer-hard, to be toyed out like an horse; tis more then slavish infelicity, and the life of most of our

hired

^d D^r Hayward
vita eius.

^e Muscovit.
commentar.

^f Inter Cives
Fessanos latruncu-
clorum ludus
usualissimus, l. 3
de Africa.

^g Tully.

^h De mor. gent.
ⁱ Polycrat. lib. 1.
cap. 8.

^k Idem Saris-
burienfis.

^l Nemo desistit
otiosus, ita nemo
asino more ad
seram noctem
laborat, nam ea
plusquam servi-
li erumina, que
tamen ubiq. ple-
rumq. opificum
vita est, exceptis
Proletariis,
qui diem in 24
horas diuidunt,
sex duntaxat o-
peri deputant,
reliquum a som-
no & cibo cu-
rari, arbitrio
permittitur.

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hired servants, and tradesmen elsewhere (excepting his *Vtopians*) but halfe the day allotted for worke, & halfe for honest recreations, or whatsoener employment they shall thinke fit themselves. If one halfe day in a weeke were allotted to our houshold servants, for their merry meetings, by their hard Masters, or in a yeare some Feasts, like those *Roman Saturnals*, I thinke they would labour harder all the rest of the yeare, and both parties would better be pleased: but this needs not (you will say) for some of them doe nought but loyter all the weeke long.

This which I ayme at, is for such as are *Fracti animis* troubled in minde, to ease them, over-toyled on the one part to refresh: ouer idle on the other, to keepe themselves busied. And to this purpose, as any labour or employment will serue to the one, any honest recreation will conduce to the other: of which, as there be diuers sorts, & peculiar to seuerall callings, ages, sexes, conditions, so there be proper for seuerall seasons, and those of seuerall natures, to fit that variety of humors which is amongst men, that if one will not, another may take place: some in Sommer, some in winter, some gentle, some more violent, some for the minde alone, some for the body and minde: (as to some it is both businesse, and a pleasant recreation, to ouersee Workmen of seuerall sorts, to build, cast, plot, proiect, cast vp accompts &c.) some without, some within doores: new, old, &c. as the season serueth, and as men are inclined. It is reported of *Philip Bonus*, that good Duke of *Burgundy* (by *Lodov. Vives* in epist. and *Pont. Heuter* in his history) that the said Duke, at the marriage of *Eleonora*, sister to the King of *Portugall* at *Bruges* in *Flanders*, (which was solemnised in the deepe of Winter) when as by reason of vnseasonable weather he could neither hawke nor hunt, and was now tired with cards, dice &c. and such other domestical sports, or to see Ladies dance, with some of his Courtiers, he would in the Euening walke disguised all about the Towne. It so fortuned, as he was walking late one night, he found a countrey fellow dead drunke, snorring on a Bulke, & hee caused his followers to bring him to his Palace, and there stripping him of his old clothes, and atty- ring him after the Court fashion, when he wakened, he and they were all ready to attend vpon his Excellency, and perswaded him he was some great Duke. The poore fellow admiring how he came there, was serued in state all day long, after supper he saw them dance, heard musicke, and all the rest of those Court-like pleasures: but late at night, when he was well tripled, and againe fast asleepe, they put on his old robes, & so conveyed him to the place where they first found him. Now the fellow had not made them so good sport the day before, as he did now when he returned to himselfe, all the jest was, to see how he ^m looked vpon it. In conclusion, after some little admiration, the poore man told his friends he had seene a vision, constantly beleeu- ed it, would not otherwise be perswaded, and so the jest ended. ⁿ *Antiochus Epiphanes* would often disguise himselfe, steale from his Court, and goe into Marchants, Goldsmiths, and other Tradesmens shoppes, sit and talke with them, and sometimes ride and walke alone, and fall aboard with any Tinker, Clowne, Seruing man, Carrier, or whomsoeuer he met first. Sometimes he would *ex insperato*, giue a poore fellow mony, to see how hee would looke, or on set purpose, loose his purse as he went, to watch who found it, & with- all, how he would be affected, & with such objects he was much delighted.

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† *Rerum Bur-
gund. lib. 4.*

† *Iussit homine
deferri ad pala-
tium, & lecto
discal collocari,
&c. mirari ho-
mo ubi se ed loci
vidit.*

Quid inter-
est, inquit Lodo-
vici Vives.
Epist. ad Fran-
cisc. Bar. auccem
inter diem illius
& n ostros ali-
quot annos, ni-
hil veniens, nisi
quodd &c.

ⁿ *Hen. Stephan.
presat. Herodoti.*

Many such trickes are ordinarily put in practise by great men, to exhilarate themselves and others, all which are harmelesse jests, and haue their good uses.

But amongst all those Exercises, or recreations of the mind within doores, there is none so generall, so aptly to be applyed to all sorts of men, so fit & proper to expell Idlenesse and Melancholy, as that of *Study*. To read, walke and see Mappes, Pictures, Statues, old Coynes of seuerall sorts in a faire Gallery, artificiall workes, perspective glasses, old reliques, *Roman Antiquities*, variety of colours. A good Picture is *falsa veritas, & mutapoesis*, & though (as *Vives* saith) *artificialia delectant, sed mox fastidimus*, artificiall toys please but for a time; yet who is he that will not be moued, to see those well-furnished Galleries of those *Roman Cardinals*, so wel stored with all moderne Pictures, old Statues and Antiquities? Or in some Princes cabinets, or great Noblemens houses, to see such variety of attires, faces, so many, so rare, and such exquisite peeces, of men, birds, beasts, &c. to see those excellent land-skips, and Dutch-workes, curious cuts of *Sadler of Prage*, *Albertus Durer*, *Goltzius*, *Vrintes* &c. such pleasant peeces of perspective, *Indian Pictures* made of feathers, *China workes*, frames, motions, exotick toys, &c. Who is he that is now wholly overcome with Idlenesse, or otherwise involved in a Labyrinth of worldly cares, troubles, and discontents, that will not be much lightened in his mind by reading of some inticing story, true or fained, where as in a glasse he shall see what our fore-fathers haue done, the beginnings, ruines, falls, periods of Common-wealths, priuate mens actions displayed to the life, &c. † *Plutarch* therefore calls them, *secundas mensas & bellaria*, the second course and junkets, because they were vsually read at Noblemens Feasts. Who is not earnestly affected with a passionate speech, well penned, & elegant Poeme, or some pleasant bewitching discourse, which will draw his attention along with it? To some kind of men it is an extraordinary delight to study. For what a world of bookes offers it selfe, in all subiects, arts, and sciences, to the delight and capacity of the Reader? In *Arithmetike*, *Geometry*, *Perspective*, *Astronomy*, *Architecture*, *Military matters*, *Musicke*, *Metaphysicks*, naturall and morall *Philosophy*, *Philology*, in *Policy*, in those studies of * *Antiquity*, &c. In *Law*, *Physicke*, & *Diuinity*, for profite, pleasure, practise, speculation, in verse or prose &c. their names alone are the subiect of whole volumes, we haue thousands of Authors of all sorts, many great Libraries, full, and well furnished, and he is a very block that is affected with none of them. Me thinks it should well please any man, to looke vpon a Geographi-call mappe, and to behold, as it were, all the remote Provinces, Townes, Cities of the World, and neuer to goe forth of the limits of his Study, to measure by a Scale and Compasse, their extent, distance, examine their site &c. What greater pleasure can there be, then to view those elaborate Maps of *Ortelius*, *P. Mercator*, *Hondius*, &c. To peruse those bookes of Cities, put out by *Brannus*, and *Hogenbergius*. To read those exquisite descriptions of *Maginus*, *Munster*, *Merula*, *Boterus*, *Leander Albertus*, *Camden*, *Leo Afer*, *Adricomius*, &c. Those famous expeditions of *Christoph. Columbus*, *Americus Vespautius*, *Marcus Polus* the *Venetian*, *Lod. Vertomannus*, *Alosius Cadamustus* &c. Those acurate diaries of *Portugals*, *Hollanders*, of *Bartison*, *Oliuer à Nort* &c. *Hacluits voyages*, *P. Martyrs Decades*, *Benza*, *Lerius*, *Linchcostens relations*,

• 3. de Animâ.

† Quid beuimus
convivijs legi
solita.

* As in tra-
uailing, the
rest goe for-
ward and look
before them,
an Antiquary
alone looks
round about
him, seeing
things past,
&c. hath a co-
pleat Horizō.

P Atlas Geog.

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Hedaporicons of Iod. à Meggen, Brocard the Monke, Bredenbachius, Io. Dubli-
nius, Sandes, &c. to Ierusalem, Egypt, and other remote places of the world:
to read *Bellonius* obseruations, P. Gillius his Suruaies; Those parts of *Ameri-
ca*, set out, & curiously cut in Pictures by *Fratres à Bry*. To see a well cut Her-
ball, all Hearbs, Trees, Flowres, Plants, expresse in their proper colours to
the life, as that of *Mathiolus* vpon *Dioscorides*, *Delacampius*, *Leobel*, *Bauhinus*,
and that last voluminous and mighty Herbal of *Noremburge*, wherein almost
euery Plant is to his owne bignesse. To see all Birds, Beasts, and Fishes of the
Sea, Spiders, Gnats, Serpents, Flies, &c. & all Creatures set out by the same
Art, and truly expresse in liuely colours, with an exact description of their
natures, vertues, qualities &c. as hath been accurately performed by *Alian*,
Gesner, *Vlysses Aldrovandus*, *Bellonius*, *Hippolytus Saluianus*, &c. What more
pleasing studies can there be then the Mathematickes, Theorick, or Practicke
part? *Talis est Mathematicum pulchritudo* (saith 9 *Plutarch*) *ut his indignum sit
diuitiarum phalaras istas & bullas, & puellarum spectacula comparari*; such is
the excellency of those studies, that all those ornaments and bubbles of
wealth, are not worthy to be compared to them, *crede mihi* (saith one) *ex-
tingui dulce erit Mathematicarum artium studio*, I could euen liue and dye
with those studies, and take more pleasure, true content of mind in them,
then thou doest in all thy wealth, how rich soeuer thou art. The like pleasure
there is in all other studies, to such as are truly addicted to them, as well
may witnesse those many laborious houres, dayes and nights, spent in the
voluminous Treatises written by them, the like content. *Julius Scaliger*
was so much affected with Poëtry, that hee brake out into a patheticall pro-
testation, that hee had rather be the Author of such twelue verses in *Lucan*,
such an Ode in *Honace*, then Emperour of Germany. *Seneca* preferres *Zeno*
and *Chrysippus*, two doting *Stoicks* (hee was so much enamoured on their
workes) before any Prince or Generall of an Army, such content there is in
study. *King IAMES* 1605, when he came to see our Vniuersity of Oxford,
& amongst other *Ædifices*, now came to view that famous Library, renewed
by *Sr Thomas Bodley*, in imitation of *Alexander*, at his departure brake out
into that noble speech, If I were not a King, I would be an University man;
* *And if it were so that I must be a Prisoner, if I might haue my wish, I would
desire to haue no other Prison then that Library, & to be chained together with
my fellow writers*. So sweet is the delight of study, the more learning they
haue (as he that hath a dropie, the more he drinks, the thirstier hee is) the
more they couet to learne, and the last day is *prioris discipulus*, harsh at first
Learning is, *radices amarae*, but *fructus dulces*, according to that of *Isocrates*,
pleasant at last, the longer they liue, the more they are inamoured with the
the Muses. *Heinsius* the keeper of the Library at *Leiden* in Holland, was mewed
vp in it all the yeare long, and that which to thy thinking should haue
bred a lothing, caused in him a greater liking. *I* no sooner (saith he) come in-
to the Library, but I bolt the doore to me, excluding lust, ambition, avarice, and
all such vices, whose nurse is Idleness the mother of Ignorance, and Melancholy
her selfe, and in the very lap of eternitie, amongst so many diuine soules, I take
my seat, with so lofty a spirit and sweet content, that I pittie all our great ones,
and richmen that know not this happinesse.

Whosoever he is therefore that is overrunne with solitarinesse, or carri-
ed away

9 Lib. de cupid.
diuitiarum.

* Leon. Diggs
presat. ad per-
pet. prognos.

† Plus capio vo-
luptatis &c.

‡ Poetices lib.

§ Lib. 3. Ode 9.

Donec gratias
eram tibi &c.

¶ Isaac Wake.
Muse regnantes.

‡ Si unquam
mihi in fati sit,

ut captivus du-
car, si mihi da-

retur optio; hoc
cuperem carcere

concludi, his ca-
senis illigari,

cum hisce capti-
vis concatenatis

etatem agere.

¶ Epist. Primie-
ro. Plerumq. in
Bibliothecam

me confervo, in
quâ simulac pe-

dem posui, fosi-
bus pessulum

obdo; ambitio-
nem autem, a-

morem, libidinem,
&c. excludo,

quorum parens
est ignavia, im-

peritiæ nutritrix,
& in ipso eter-

nitatis gremio,
inter tot illustres

animas sedem
mihi sumo, tam

ingenti quidem
animo, ut sub-

inde magnatum
me miserat, qui

felicitatem hanc
ignorant.

ed away with pleasing melancholy and vaine conceits, and for want of im-
 ployment knowes not how to spend his time, or crucified with worldly
 care, I can prescribe him no better remedy then this of study, to compose
 himselfe to the learning of some art or science. Provided alwaies that his
 maladie proceede not from overmuch study, for in such cases he addes fuell
 to the fire, and nothing can be more pernicious; let him take heede he do not
 outstretch his wits, and make a *Skeleton* of himselfe; or such Inamoratoes as
 read nothing but play-bookes, Idle Poems, Iests, *Amadis de Gaul*, the *Knight*
of the Sun, the *seaven Champions*, *Palmerin de Oliva*, *Huon of Burdeaux*, &c.
 Such many times proue in the ende as mad as *Don Quixot*. Study is only
 prescribed to those that are otherwise idle, troubled in mind, or carryed head-
 long with vaine thoughts and Imaginations, to distract their cogitations (al-
 though variety of study, or some serious subiect would doe the former no
 harme) and divert their continuall meditations another way. Nothing in
 this case better then study, *semper aliquid memoriter ediscant*, saith *Piso*, let
 them learne something without booke, or read some booke. Read the Scrip-
 ture which *Hyperius lib.1. de quotid. script. lec. fol. 77.* holdes availeable of it
 selfe, ² the minde is erected thereby from all worldly cares, and hath much quiet
 and tranquillity. For neither as [†] *Chrysostome* well addes, those boughes and
 leaves of trees, which are plashed for cattle to stand vnder, in the heat of the day,
 in summer, so much refresh them with their acceptable shade; as the reading of
 scripture doth recreate, and comfort a distressed soule, in sorrow and affliction.
Paul bids pray continually, *quod cibis corpori, lectio animae facit*, saith *Seneca*, as
 meate is to the Body, such is reading to the Soule. ^a To be at leasure without
 bookes is another Hell, and to be buried alive. ^b *Cardan* calls a Library the phy-
 sicke of the soule, ^c *Divine authors fortifie the minde, make men bold and con-*
stant, and (as Hyperius addes) godly conference will not permit the minde to be
tortured with absurd cogitations. *Rhasis* inioynes continuall conference to
 such melancholie men, and would haue some body still talke seriously, or dis-
 pute with them, and sometimes ^d to cavill and wrangle (so that it breake not
 out to a violent perturbation) for such alteration is like stirring of a dead fire
 to make it burne a fresh, it whets a dull spirit, and will not suffer the minde to be
 drowned in such profound cogitations, which melancholy men are commonly
 troubled with. ^e *Ferdinand* and *Alphonfus* both kings of *Arragon* and *Si-*
cily, were both cured by reading of history, one of *Curtius*, the other of *Li-*
vy, when no other Physicke would take place. ^f *Camerarius* relates as much
 of *Laurence Medices*. Heathen Philosophers are so full of divine precepts
 in this kinde, that as some thinke they alone are able to settle a distressed
 minde. ^g *Sunt verba & voces quibus hunc lenire dolorem, &c. Epictetus*, *Pla-*
tarch, and *Seneca*, *qualis ille quæ tela*, saith *Lipsius*, *adversus omnes animi casus*
administrat, & ipsam mortem, quomodo vitia eripit, infert virtutes? When I
 read *Seneca*, ^h me thinks I am beyonde all humane fortunes, on the top of a hill a-
 bove mortality. If this comfort may be got by Philosophy, what shall be had
 from Divinity? What shall *Austin*, *Cyprian*, *Gregory*, *Bernards* divine me-
 ditations afford vs? Nay what shall the Scripture it selfe? Which is like an
 Apothecaries shop, wherein are remedies for all infirmities of body and
 minde, purgatiues, alteratiues, corroboratiues, lenitiues, &c. Every disease of
 the Soule, saith ⁱ *Austin*, hath a peculiar medicine in the Scripture, this only is re-

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² *Animus ele-*
vatur inde a
curis, multa
quiete & tran-
quillitate fruens.
[†] *Hom. 4. de*
penitentia. Nam
neg. arborum
coma, pro. reco-
rum tiguris fa-
cta, meride per-
estatem, optabi-
lem exhibentes
umbram, oves
ita reficiunt: ac
Scripturarum
lectio afflicta
angore animae
solatur, & re-
creat.

^a *Otiū sine li-*
teris mors est, &
vivi hominis se-
pultura Seneca.
^b *cap. 99. l. 17.*
derer. var.

^c *Fortem red-*
dunt animum,
& constantem,
& pium collo-
quium, non per-
mittit animum,
absurdā cogita-
tione torqueri.

^d *Altercationi-*
bis utantur, que
non permittunt
animum sub-
mergi profundis
cogitationibus,
de quibus otiose
cogitat & tri-
stat in ijs.

^e *Bodin. prefat.*
ad meib. bist.
^f *Operum sub-*
cif. cap. 15.

^g *Hor.*
^h *Fatendum est*
cacumine Olympi
constitutus supra
res humanas
mibi videor, quā
illum lego, supra
ventos & pro-
cellas, & omnes
res humanas.

ⁱ *In Ps. 36. om-*
nis morbus ani-
mi in Scriptura
habet medicinā,
tantum opus est,
ut qui sit aeger,
non recuset poti-
onem, quā Deus
temperavit.

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* In moral. spe-
culum, quo nos
intueri possumus.

† Hom. 28. ut in-
canatione vi-
rus fugatur, ita
lectio malum.

‡ Iterum atq;
iterum moneo,
ut animā sacre
scrip. lectione
occupes.

§ Masticat divi-
num pabulum
meditatio.

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London, Anno
1620.

* Astronomy
Reader at
Gresham Col-
ledge.

† Printed at
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liam Jones 1623

‡ Tot tibi sunt
doles virgo, quot
sidera celo.

° Tom. 1. de sa-
nit. tuend. Qui
rationem corpo-
ris non habent,
sed cogunt mor-
talem immortalis
terrestrem athe-
rie equalē pre-
stare industria.
ceterum ut Ca-
melo usq; veat,
quod ei bos pre-
dixerat, cum ei-
dem servirent
domino & parte
oneris levare il-
lum Camelus re-
cusasset, paulo
post, & ipsius
eulem, & totum
onus cogeretur
gestare (quod
mortuo bove
impletum) Ita
animo quoq; cō-
tingit, dum de-
fatigato corpori,
&c.

quired, that the sicke man take but the potion which God hath already tempered. Gregory calls it a Glasse wherein we may see all our infirmities, *ignitum colloquium*, Psalm. 118. 140. Origen a Charme. And therefore Hierome prescribes Rusticus the Monke, continually to read the Scripture, and to meditate on that which he hath read: for as mastication is to meate, so is meditation on that which we need. I would for these causes wish him that is melancholy, to vse both humane & divine authors, voluntarily to impose some taske vpon him himselfe, to divert his melancholy thoughts. To study the Art of memory, Cosmus Rosselius, Pet. Rauennas, Scenkelius de deus, &c. that will aske a great deale of attention: or let him demonstrate a proposition in Euclide in his five last bookes, extract a square root, or study Algebra, Napier's Logarithmes, or those Tables of Artificiall † Sines & Tangents, not long since set out by mine old Collegiat, very good friend, & late fellow-Student of Christ Church in Oxford, Mr * Edmund Gunter, which will performe that by Addition and Substraction onely, which heretofore Regiomontanus Tables did by Multiplication and Diuision, or those elaborate conclusions of his † Sector and Crosse-staffe: Or let him calculate Sphæricall Triangles, cast a Natiuity, make an Ephemerides, read Suisset the Calculators workes, Scaliger de emendatione temporum, till he vnderstand it, read Scotus and Suarez Metaphysicks, or Schoole Divinity, Occam, Entisberus, Durand &c. If those other doe not affect him, he may apply his mind to Heraldry, Antiquity, invent Impreses, Emblemes, make Epithalamiums, Epitaphs, Elegies, Epigrams, Anagrams, Cronograms, vpon his friends names: or make a Comment vpon *Elia Lelia Crispis*, as many idle fellowes haue assayed; and rather then doe nothing, vary a verse a thousand wayes, as Putean hath done. If such voluntary taskes, pleasure & delight, or crabbednes of these studies, will not yet diuert their idle thoughts, and alienate their Imaginations, they must be compelled, saith Christophorus à Vega, cogi debent l. 5. c. 14. Vpon some mulct, if they performe it not, quod ex officio incumbat, or losse of credit or disgrace, such as are our publike Uniuersitie exercises. For, as he that playes for nothing, will not heed his game; no more will voluntary imployment, so thoroughly affect a Student, except hee be very intent of himselfe, and take an extraordinary delight in the study, about which he is conversant. It should be of that nature his businesse, which volens nolens he must necessarily vndergoe, and without great losse, shame, or hinderance he may not omit.

Now for women, instead of laborious studies, they haue curious needle-workes, cut-workes, bone-lace &c. to busie themselves about, household offices, &c. or some gossippings: old folkes haue their Beads. An excellent invention to keepe them from Idleness, that are by nature melancholy, & past all affaires, to say so many Paternosters, Avemaries, Creedes, if it were not prophane and superstitious. In a word, Body and minde must be both exercised, not one, but both, and that in mediocrity: otherwise it will cause a great inconvenience. If the Body be over-tyred, it tyres the Mind. The mind oppresseth the Body, as with Students it oftentimes falls out, who (as ° Plutarch obserues) haue no care of the Body, but compell that which is mortall, to doe as much as that which is immortal: that which is earthly, as that which is aethi-riall. But as the Oxe tyred, told the Camell, (both seruing one master) that refused to carry, some part of his burden, before it were long, hee should be compelled to

to carry all his packe, and his skinne to boot (which by and by, the Oxe being dead fellow) the Body may say to the Soule, that will giue him no respite or remission: a little after, an ague, Vertigo, Consumption, seaseth on them both, all his study is omitted, and they must be compelled to be sicke together: Hee that tenders his owne good estate, and health, must let them draw with equall yoke, both alike, & that so they may happily inioy their wished health.

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MEMB. 5.

*P. Vt pulchram
illam & amabi-
lem sanitatem
prestemus.*

waking and terrible dreames rectified.

AS Waking that hurts, by all meanes must be avoided, so Sleep which so much helps, by all waies, & must be procured, by nature or art, inward or outward medicines, and to be protracted longer then ordinarie, if it may be, as being an especiall helpe. It moistens and fattens the Body, concocts, and helps digestion, as we see in Dormice, and those Alpine Mice that sleepe all Winter, which Gesner speakes of, when they are so found sleeping vnder the snow in the dead of Winter, as fat as butter. It expels cares, pacifies the minde, refresheth the weary limmes after long worke,

¶ Somne quies rerum, placidissime somne deorum,

Pax animi, quem cura fugit, qui corpora duris

Fessa ministerijs mulces reparasq; labori.

The fittest time is two or three houres after supper, when as the meate is now settled at the bottome of the stomacke, and 't is good to lie on the right side first, because that at that site the liver doth rest vnder the stomacke, not molesting anie way but heating him as a fire doth a kettle, that is put to it. After the first sleepe 't is not amisse to lye on the left side, that the meate may the better descend: and sometimes againe on the belly, but never on the backe. Seaven or eight houres is a competent time for a melancholie man to sleep, as Crato thinks; but as many doe, to lie in bed and not sleepe, a day or halfe a day together, to giue way to pleasing conceits and vaine imaginations, is many waies pernicious. To procure this sweet moistning sleepe, is first to take away the occasions (if it be possible) that hinder it, and then to vse such inwarde or outward remedies, which may cause it. Heate and drynesse must first be removed, an hot and dry braine never sleepest well, grieve, feares, cares, expectati- ons, anxieties, great busineses, and all violent perturbations of the minde must in some sort be qualified, before we can hope for any good repose. He that sleepest in the day time, or is in suspence, feare, or any way troubled in minde, or goes to bed vpon a full stomack, may never hope for quiet rest in the night; *nec enim meritoria somnos admittunt*, as the Poet saith, Innes & such like troublesome places are not for sleepe, one cals Ostler, another Tap- ster, one cries and shouts, another sings,

—† absentem cansat amicam,

Multa prolutus vappâ nauta atq; viator.

Who that is not accustomed to such noyses, can sleepe amongst them? He that will intende to take his rest, must goe to bed *animo securo, quieto & libe- ro*, with a secure and quiet minde, in a quiet place: and if that will not serue, or may not be obtained, to seeke then such meanes as are requisite. To lie in

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cleane

*¶ Interdicenda
Vigilie, somni
paulò longiores
conciliandi. Al-
tomarius cap. 7.
Somnus supra
modum prodest,
quorismodo con-
ciliandus. Piso.
¶ Ouid.*

*¶ Crato conf. 2. l.
li. 2. duabus aut
tribus horis post*

*cenam, quum
iam cibis ad
fundum ventri-
culi rescederit,*

*primum super
latere dextro
quiescendum,*

*quod in tali de-
cubitu iecur sub
ventriculo qui-
escat, non gra-
uans sed cibum*

*calfaciens, per-
inde ac ignis le-
betem qui illi
admoetur, post*

*primum somnum
quiescendum la-
tere sinistro, &c.*

*¶ Sepius accidit
melancholicis va-
nimium exicca-
to cerebro vigi-
lis attentionur,*

*Ficinus l. 1. c. 24
¶ Vt sis nocte le-
vis sit tibi cena
brevis.*

*¶ Hor. Ser. lib. 1.
Sat. 5.*

*¶ Iuven. Sat. 3.
¶ Sepositi curis
omnibus quan-
tum fieri potest
una cum vesti-
bus, &c. Kink.*

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^a Ad horam
somnia aures sua-
vibus cantibus
& sonis deli-
nre.

^a Lectio iucun-
da, aut sermo ad
quem attentior
animus conver-
titur, aut aqua
ab alto in subie-
ctum pelum de-
labatur, &c.

Ovid.

^b Aceti sorbitio.

^c Attenuat me-
lancholiam, &
ad conciliandum
somnia iuvat.

^d Quod leni a-
cetum conveni-
nt.

^e Cont. 1. tra. 9.
meditandum de
aceto.

^f Sect. 5. Memb.

^g Subsect. 6.

^h Lib. de sanit.
tuenda.

ⁱ In Som. Scip.
fit enim ferè ut
cogitationes no-
stere & sermones
periant aliquid
insomno, quale
de Homero scri-
bit Ennius, de
quo videlicet se-
pissime vigilans
solebat cogitare
& loqui.

^j Aristote. hist.

^k Optimum de
caelestibus & ho-
nestis meditari,
& ea facere.

^l Lib. 3. de cau-
sis corr. art. tam-
mira monstra
questionum se-
pe nascuntur in-
ter eos, ut mirer
eos interdum in
somnia non ter-
veri, aut de illis
in tenebris au-
dere verba facere,
aded res sunt
monströse.

^m Icon. lib. 1.

ⁿ Sect. 5. Memb.
P. Subsect. 6.

cleane linnen and sweete, before he goes to bed or in bed to heare ² sweete Musicke, which *Ficinus* commends lib. 1. cap. 24. or as *Iobertus med. pract. lib. 3. cap. 10.* ² to reade some pleasant Author till he be a sleepe, or haue a bason of wa-ter still dropping by his bed side, or to lie neare that pleasant murmure, *lene sonantis aque*, Some flood-gates, arches, fals of water, like *London Bridge*, or some continueate noyce, which may benumme the senses. *Piso* commends frications, *Andrew Borde* a good draught of strong drinke before one goes to bed, I say, a nutmeg and ale, or a good draught of muscadine, with a tosse and nutmeg, or a posset of the same, which many vse in a morning, but me thinkes for such as haue dry braines, are much more proper at night: some prescribe a ^b sup of vineger as they goe to bed, a spoonefull saith *Ætius Te-trabib. lib. 2. ser. 2. cap. 10.* & lib. 6. cap. 10. *Agineta lib. 3. cap. 14.* *Piso*, a little af-ter meate, & because it rarifies melancholy, and procures an appetite to sleepe. *Donat. ab Altomar. cap. 7.* and *Mercurialis* approue of it, if the malady proceede from the ^d splene. *Salust. Saluiam lib. 2. cap. 1. de remed.* *Hercules de Saxoniâ in Pan. Ælianus Montaltus de morb. capit. cap. 28. de Melan.* are altogether against it. ^e *Rhasis* seemes to deliberate of it, though *Simeon* commend it (in sawce peradventure) he makes a question of it: as for bath, fomentati-ons, oyles, potions, simples or compounds inwardly taken to this purpose, I shall speake of elsewhere. If in the midst of the night they lie awake, which is vsuall, to toss and tumble, and cannot sleepe, ^g *Ranzovius* would haue them, if it be in warme weather, to rise and walke three or foure turnes (till they be cold,) about the chamber, and then goe to bed againe.

Against fearefull and troublesome dreames, *incubus* and such inconveni-ences, wherewith Melancholy men are molested, the best remedie is to eate a light supper, and of such meates as are easie of digestion, no hare, venison, beefe, &c. not to lye on his backe, not to meditate or thinke in the day time of any terrible obiects, or especially talke of them before hee goes to bed. For as he said in *Lucian* after such conference, *Hecates somniare mihi videor*, I can thinke of nothing but Hobgoblins: and as *Tully* notes, ^h for the most part our speeches in the day time, cause our phantasie to worke vpon the like in our sleepe, which *Ennius* writes of *Homer*.

Et canis in somnis leporis vestigia latrat.

As a dogge dreames of an hare, so doe men, on such subiects, they thought on last.

^{*} *Somnia que mentes ludunt volitantibus umbris,*

Nec delubra deum, nec ab athere numina mittunt,

Sed sibi quisq. facit, &c.

For that cause when ⁱ *Protony* King of *Egypt* had posed the 70 Interpreters in order, and asked the 19th man, what would make one sleep quietly in the night, he told him, ^k the best way was to haue diuine and celestiaall meditati-ons, and to vse honest actions in the day time. ^l *Lod. Vives* wonders how School-men could sleepe quietly, and were not terrified in the night, or walke in the darke they had such monstrous questions, and thought of such terrible matters all day long. They had need amongst the rest to sacrifice to God *Morpheus*, whom ⁿ *Philostatus* paints in a white and blacke coat, with a horne & Ivo-ry box full of dreames, of the same colours, to signifie good and bad. If you will knowe how to interpret them, read *Artemidorus*, *Sambucus* and *Cardan*, but how to helpe them I must referre you to a more ⁿ conuenient place.

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MEMB. 6. SUBSECT. I.

*Perturbations of the minde rectified. From himselfe,
by resisting to the utmost, confessing his
griefe to a friend, &c.*

WHosoever he is that shall hope to cure this malady in himselfe or any other, must first rectifie these passions and perturbations of the minde, the chiefest cure consists in them. A quiet minde is that *voluptas*, or *Summum bonum* of *Epicurus*, *non dolere, curis vacare, animo tranquillo esse*, not to grieve, but to want cares, and have a quiet minde, is the only pleasure in the world, as *Seneca* truly recites his opinion, not that of eating and drinking, which *in* *Aristotle* maliciously puts vpon him, and for which he is still mistaken, *male audit & vapulat*, slandered without a cause, and lashed by all posterity. *Feare and Sorrow* therefore are especially to be avoided, and the minde to be mitigated with mirth, constancy, good hope, vaine terrors, bad objects are to be removed, and all such persons in whose companies they be not well pleased. *Gualter Bruel. Fernelius consil. 43. Mercurialis consil. 6. Piso, Iacchius cap. 15. in 9. Rhafis, Capivaccius, Hildisheim &c.* all inculcate this as an especiall meanes of their cure, that their *P* mindes be quietly pacified, vaine conceits diuerted, if it be possible, with terrors, cares, fixed studies, cogitations, & what soener it is that shal any way molest or trouble the mind, because that otherwise there is no good to be done. *The Bodies mischiefs* as *Plato* proues, proceed from the Soule: and if the minde bee not first satisfied, the body can neuer be cured. *Crato* in that often cited Counsell of his for a Nobleman his patient, when he had sufficiently informed him in diet, aire, exercise, *Venus*, sleepe, concludes with these as matters of greatest moment, *Quod reliquum est anime accidentia corrigantur*, from which alone proceeds Melancholy, they are the fountaine, the subiect, the hinges whereon it turns, and must necessarily be reformed. *For anger stirres choler, heats the blood & vitall spirits, Sorrow on the other side refrigerates the Body, and extinguisheth naturall heat, ouerthrowes appetite, hinders concoction, dries vp the tempera- ture, and peruerbs the vnderstanding. Feare dissolues the spirits, infects the Heart, attenuates the Soule: and for these causes all passions and perturbati- ons must to the vttermost of our power, and most seriously bee removed. Alianus Montaltus* attributes so much to them, that he holds the rectifica- tion of them alone to bee sufficient to the cure of Melancholy in most patients. Many are fully cured when they haue seene or heard, &c. inioy their desires, or be secured and satisfied in their mindes; *Galen* the common master of the all, from whose fountaine they fetch water, brags *lib. 1. de san. tuend.* that hee for his part hath cured many of this infirmity, *solum animis ad rectum insti- tutis*, by right setting of their mindes.

Yea but you wil here infer, that this is excellent good indeed if it could be done, but how shall it be effected, by whom, what Art, what meanes? *hic la- bor, hoc opus est.* 'Tis a naturall infirmity, a most powerfull aduersary, all men are subiect to passions, and Melancholy aboue all others, as being distempe- red by their innate humours, abundance of choler adust, weaknesse of parts, outward

Animi pertur- bationes summe fugiende. metus potissimum & tristitia. eorumq; loco animus de- mulcendus hila- ritate. animi co- stantia, bona spe, remouendi ter- rores, & eorum confortium quos non probant.

P Phantasia eo- rum placide subueniende, terrores ab ani- mo remouendi. q Ab omni fixa cogitatione quo- vis modo auer- tantur.

Cuncta mala corporis ab ani- mo procedunt, que nisi cuen- tur corpus cu- rari minime po- test, Cha mid.

Ira bilem mo- uet, sanguinem adurit, vi ales spiritus accen- dit, melistia v- niversum corpus infrigidat, calo- rem innatum extinguit, appe- titum destruit, concoctionem impedit, corpus exsiccat, intello- ctum pervertit. Quamobrem hec omnia pro- sus vitanda sunt & pro virili su- gienda.

De Mel. c. 26. ex illis solum remedium, multi ex visis, auditis, &c. sanati sunt.

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outward occurrences, and how shall they be avoided? the wisest men, greatest Philosophers of most excellent wit, reason, iudgement, diuine spirits, cannot moderate themselves in this behalfe, such as are found in Body and Minde, *Stoicks, Heroes, Homers gods*, all are passionate, and furiously carried sometimes, and how shall we that are already crazed, *fracti animis*, sick in body, sicke in minde, resist? wee cannot performe it. You may aduise and giue good precepts, as who cannot? but how shall they be put in practise? I may not deny but our passions are violent, and tyrannize ouer vs, yet there bee meanes to curbe them, though they be headstrong, they may be ramed, they may be qualified, if he himselfe or his friends, will but vse their honest endeavours, or make vse of such ordinary meanes, as are commonly prescribed.

He himselfe (I say) from the Patient himselfe, the first and chiefest remedy must be had, for if he be averse, peeuish, waspish, giue way wholly to his passions, and will not seeke to be eased, or be ruled by his friends, how is it possible he should be cured? but if he be willing at least, gentle, tractable, and desire his owne good, no doubt but he may *magnam morbi deponere partem*, be eased at least, if not cured. Hee himselfe must doe his utmost endeauour to resist, and withstand the beginnings, *principijs obsta*. Giue not water passage, no not a little, *Ecclus 25.27*. if they open a little, they will make a great breach at length. Whatsoeuer it is that runneth in his minde, vaine conceit, bee it pleasing or displeasing, which so much affects or troubleth him, by all possible meanes he must withstand it, expell those vaine, false, frivolous Imaginations, absurd concepts, vaine sorrowes, from which, saith *Piso*, this Disease primarily proceeds, and takes his first occasion or beginning, by doing something or other that shall be opposite vnto them, thinking of something else, perswading by reason, or howsoeuer to make a suddaine alteration of them. Though hee haue hitherto runne in a full Career, and precipitated himselfe, following his passions, giuen reines to his appetite, let him now stop vpon a sudden, curb himselfe in; and as *Lemnius* aduiseeth, *strue against with all his power, to the utmost of his endeauour, and not cherish those fond Imaginations, which so covertly creepe into his minde, most pleasing and amiable at first, but bitter as gall at last, and so headstrong, that by no reason, art, counsell, or perswasion they may bee shaken off*. Though he be farre gone, and habituated vnto such phantasticall Imaginations, yet as *Tully* and *Plutarch* aduise, let him oppose, or prepare himselfe against them, by premeditation, reason, or as wee doe by a crooked staffe, bend himselfe another way.

*Tu tamen interea effugito que tristia mentem
Sollicitant, procul esse iube curasq; metumq;
Pallentem, ultrices iras sint omnia leta.*

In the meane time expell them from thy minde,
Pale feares, sad cares and griefes which doe it grinde,
Revengefull anger, paine and discontent,
Let all thy Soule be set on merriment.

Curas tolle graves, irasce crede profanum.

If it be idlenesse hath caused this infirmity, or that hee perceaued himselfe giuen to solitarinesse, to walke alone, and please his minde with fonde Imagination, let him by all meanes avoid it, it will in the ende bee his vndoing, let him goe presently, taske or set himselfe aworke, get some good company. If

*Pro viribus
auisendum
in predictis, tum
in alijs, a quibus
malum velut a
primaria causa
occasionem na-
tum est, imagi-
nationes absur-
de, falsas, &
mastrita que-
cumq; subierit,
propulsetur, aut
aliud agendo,
aut ratione per-
suadendo, earum
mutationem si-
bi id facere.*

*Lib. 2. cap. 16
de occult. nat.
Quisquis huic
malo obnoxius
est, acriter ob-
stat, & summa
cura obliuiscitur,
nec ullo modo
foueat Imagina-
tiones tacite ob-
repentes animo,
blandas ab in-
itio & amabiles,
sed que aded
conualescent, ut
nulla ratione
executi queant.*

*3. Tuse.
ad Apollonium*

Fracastrorius.

he proceed, as a Gnat flies about a candle, so long till at length hee burne his body, so in the end he will vndoe himselfe; If it be any harsh object, ill company, let him presently goe from it. If by his owne default through ill diet, bad ayre, want of exercise &c. let him now beginne to reforme himselfe. *It would be a perfect remedy against all corruption, if as* ^a *Roger Bacon hath it, wee could but moderate our selues in those six non-natural things.* ^b *If it bee any disgrace, abuse temporall losse, calumny, death of friends, imprisonment, banishment, be not troubled with it, doe not feare, bee not angry. griene not at it, but with all conrage sustaine it.* (Gordonius l. 1. cap. 15. de conser. vit.) *Tu contra audentior irō.* ^c *If it be sicknesse, ill successe, or any adversity that hath caused it, oppose an invincible courage, fortifie thy selfe by Gods word, or otherwise, mala bonis persuadenda, set prosperity against adversity, as wee refresh our eyes by seeing some pleasant meddow, fountaine, picture, or the like: recreate thy minde by some contrary object, with some more pleasing meditation, diuert thy thoughts.*

Yea, but you inferre againe; *facile consilium damus alijs*, we can easily giue counsell to others, euery man, as the saying is, can tame a shrew, but he that hath her; *si hic esses, aliter sentiret*, if you were in our misery, you would finde it otherwise, 'tis not so easily performed. We know this to be true, wee should moderate our selues, but we are furiously caried, we cannot make vse of such Precepts, we are ouercome, sick, *male sani*, distempered and habituated in these courses, we can make no resistance; you may as well bid him that is diseased, not to feele paine, as a melancholy man not to feare, not to bee sad: 'tis within in his blood, his braines, his whole temperature, it cannot be remoued. But he may choose whether he will giue way too farre vnto it, hee may in some sort correct himselfe. A Philosopher was bitten with a madde dog, and as the nature of that disease is to abhorre all waters, & liquid things, and to thinke still they see the picture of a dog before them: He went for all this, *reluctante se*, to the Bathe, and seeing there (as he thought) in the water, the picture of a dog, with reason ouercame this conceipt, *quid cani cum balneo?* what should a dog doe in a Bathe? a meere conceipt. Thou thinkest thou hearest and seest diuels, black men, &c. 'tis not so, 'tis thy corrupt Phantasy, settle thy Imagination; thou art well. Thou thinkest thou hast a great nose, thou art sick, euery man laughes thee to scorne, perswade thy selfe 'tis no such matter: this is feare onely, and vaine suspition. Thou art discontent, thou art sad and heauy, but why? vpon what ground? consider of it, thou art icalous, timorous, suspitious, for what cause? examine it thoroughly, thou shalt finde none at all, or such as is to be contemned, such as thou thy selfe wilt deride, and condemne in thy selfe, when it is past. Rule thy selfe then with reason, satisfie thy selfe, accustome thy selfe, weane thy selfe from such fond cōceipts, vaine feares, strong Imaginations, restless thoughts. Thou mayst doe it, *Esse in vobis assuescere* (as Plutarch saith) we may frame our selues as we will. As he that weares an vpriight shooe, may correct the obliquity, or crookednes, by wearing it on the other side: we may overcome passions if we will. *Quicquid sibi imperavit animus obtinuit*, as ^d *Seneca saith, nulli tam ferri affectus, ut non disciplina perdomentur*, whatsoeuer the Will desires, she may cōmand: no such cruell affections, but by discipline they may be tamed. Voluntarily thou wilt not doe this or that, which thou oughtest to doe, or refraine &c.

^a Epist. de secretis artis & naturae cap. 7. de retard. sen. Remedium esset contra corruptionem propriam, si quilibet exerceat regimen sanitatis, quod consistit in rebus sex non naturalibus.

^b Pro aliquo vniuerso non indigueris, nec pro amissione alicuius rei, pro morte alicuius, nec pro carcere, nec pro exilio, nec pro alia re, nec irascaris, nec timeas, nec dolas, sed cum summa presentia haec sustineas. ^c Quod si incommoda aduersitatis infortunia hoc malum invexerit, his infirmitatibus animi opponas, Dei verbo, cuius fiducia te sufficiat &c. Lemnius lib. 1. c. 16.

^d Lib. 2. de Ira.

cap. 3. de affectibus anime. Ut in civitatibus contumaces qui non cedunt politico imperio, vi coercendi sunt, ita Deus nobis indidit alteram imperij formam. si cor non deponit vitiosum affectu, membra foras coercenda sunt, ne ruant in quod affectu impellat, & locomotiva, quæ herili imperio obtemperat, alteri resistat.

Imaginatio impellit spiritus, & inde nervi moventur, &c. & obtemperant Imaginioni & appetitui mirabili fiedere, ad exequendum quod iubent. Si angulat inelusus dolor, atque exsternat in ius. Ovid. Trist. lib. 5. Virg. 3. Geor. Participes inde calamitatis nostre sunt, & velut exonerati in eos sarcinam onere levamus. Arist. Ethic. l. 9.

† Camerarius emblem. 26. cent. 2.

* Sympos. lib. 6. cap. 10.

† Epist. 8. lib. 3. Adversa fortuna habet in querolis levamentum, & malorum relatio &c.

* Alloquium chari invat, & solamen amici.

† Emb. 54. cent. 1.

i As David

did to Jonathan, 1 Sam. 20.

† Seneca epist. 67.

* Ovid.

but when thou art lashed like a dull Jade, thou wilt reforme it, feare of a whip will make thee doe, or not doe. Doe that voluntarily then which thou canst doe, and must doe by compulsion: thou maist refraine if thou wilt, and master thine affections. *As in a City (saith Melancthon) they doe by stubborne rebellious roagues, that will not submit themselves to political government, compell them by force, so must we doe by our affections. If the heart will not lay aside those vitious motions, and the phantasy, those fond Imaginations, we have another forme of government, to enforce and refraine our outward members, that they be not led by our passions. If appetite will not obey, let the Mouing faculty ouer-rule her, let her resist and compell her to doe otherwise. In an Ague, the Appetite would drinke: sore eyes that itch, would be rubbed, but Reason saith no, and therefore the mouing faculty will not doe it. Our Phantasy would intrude a thousand feares, suspitions, Chimera's vpon vs, but we have reason to resist, yet we let it be ouer-borne by our Appetite, & Imagination enforceth spirits, which by an admirable league of Nature, compell the nerves to obey, and they our seuerall limmes: wee giue too much way to our passions. And as to him that is sicke of an Ague, all things are distastefull and vnpleasant, non ex cibi vitio, saith Plutarch, not in the meat, but in our taste: so many things are offense to vs, not of themselves, but out of our corrupt Judgment, jealousy, suspition, and the like, wee pull these mischiefs vpon our owne heads.*

If then our Iudgment be so depraued, our Reason ouer-ruled, Will precipitated, that we cannot seeke our own good, or moderate our selues, as in this Disease commonly it is, our best way for ease is to impart our misery to some friend, not to smother it vp in our own brest, *alitur vitium, crescitq; regendo &c.* and that which was most offense to vs, a cause of feare & grief, *quod nunc te coquit*, another hell; when as we shall but impart it to some discrete, trusty, louing friend, is instantly remoued, by counsell happily, wisdom, perswasion, aduise, his good meanes, which we could not otherwise apply vnto our selues. A friends Counsell is a charme, and as a † Bull that is tyed to a figge tree, becomes gentle on a sudden (which some, saith * Plutarch, interpret of good words) so is a sauage, obdurate heart mollified by faire speeches. *All aduersity findes ease in complaining, (as † Isodore holdes) and it is a comfort to relate it,*

* Αγαθὸν δὲ ὁμιλεῖν ἐστὶν ἐν τῷ πόθῳ.

Friends confabulations are comfortable at all times, mutually sustaining each other, like Ivy and a wall, which † Camerarius hath well illustrated in an Embleme. *Lenit animum simplex, vel sapè narratio*, the simple narration many times easeth our distressed minde, and in the midst of greatest extremities, so many haue beene relieved, by † exonerating themselves to a faithfull friend, he sees that which we cannot see for passion & discontent, he pacifies our mindes, he will ease our paine, assuage our anger, *quanta inde voluptas, quanta securitas*, Chrysostome addes, what pleasure, what security by that meanes! † *Nothing so auailable, or that so much refresheth the soule of man.* Whosoever then labours of this malady, by all meanes let him get some trusty friend, † *Semper habens Pylademq; aliquem qui curet Orestem,*

a Pylades, to whom freely and securely he may open himselfe. It is the best

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thing in the World, as ¹ Seneca therefore adviſeth in ſuch a caſe, to get a truſty friend, to whom we may freely and ſecurely powre out our ſecrets, nothing ſo delighteth and eaſeth the minde, as when we haue a prepared boſome, to which our ſecrets may deſcend, of whoſe conſcience we are aſſured as our owne, whoſe ſpeech may eaſe our ſucorleſſe eſtate, counſell relieue, mirth expell our mourning, and whoſe very ſight may be acceptable vnto vs. It was the counſell which that politicke ^m Commineus gaue to all Princes, and others diſtreſſed in mind, by occaſion of Charles Duke of Burgundy, that was much perplexed, firſt, to pray to God, and lay himſelfe open to him, and then to ſome ſpeciall friend, whom we hold moſt deare, to tell all our grieuances to him, nothing ſo forcible to ſtrengthen, recreate and heale the wounded ſoule of a miſerable man.

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sermo ſolitudinem leniat, ſententia conſilium expediat, hilaritas triſtitiā diſſipet, conſpectuſq; ipſe delectet. ^m Ad Deum co- ſugiamus, & peccatis veniam precemur, inde ad amicos, & cui plurimum tribuimus, nos patefaciamus totos & animi. ⁿ Ius quo affligimur, nihil adreſciendum animum efficimus.

¹ De Tranquil-
cap. 7. Optimum
eſt amicū fide-
lem n. n. ſci, in
quem ſecrēta no-
ſtra inſundi-
mus, nihil equē
oblectat animū,
quā ubi ſint
preparata peſto-
ra, in que iūto
ſecrēta deſcen-
dant, quorum
conſcientia equē
ac tua. ^{Quorum}

^m Commentar. lib. 7.

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Helpe from friends by counſell, comfort, faire and ſoule meanes, witty
deuices, ſatisfaction, alteration of his courſe of life,
remoouing obiects, &c.

WHen the Patient of himſelf is not able to reſiſt, or ouer-come theſe heart-eating Paſſions, his friends or Phyſitian muſt bee ready to ſupply that which is wanting. If his weakenesse be ſuch, that hee cannot diſcerne what is amiſſe, correct or ſatiſſie, it behoues them by counſell, comfort, or perſwaſion, by faire or ſoule meanes, to alienate his minde, by ſome artificiall invention, or ſome contrary perſwaſion, to remoue all obiects, cauſes, companies, occaſions, as may any wayes moleſt him, to humor him, pleaſe him, diuert him, and if it be poſſible, by altering his courſe of life, to giue him ſecurity and ſatisfaction. If he conceale his grieuances, and will not be knowne of them: ⁿ They muſt obſerue by his lookes, geſtures, motions, phantaſy, what it is that offends, and then to apply remedies vnto him: many are inſtantly cured, when their mindes are ſatiſſied. ^o Alexander makes mention of a woman, that by reaſon of her husbands long abſence in travel, was exceeding peeuſh and melancholy, but when ſhe heard her husband was returned, beyond all expectation, at the firſt ſight of him, ſhee was freed from all feare, without helpe of any other Phyſicke, reſtored to her former health. Trincavelinus conſil. 12. lib. 1. hath ſuch a ſtory of a Venetian, that being much troubled with melancholy. ^p and ready to die for griefe: when he heard his wife was brought to bed of a ſonne, inſtantly recovered. As Alexander concludes, ^q if our Imaginations be not inveterate, by this Art they may bee cured, eſpecially, if they proceede from ſuch a cauſe. No better way to ſatiſſie, then to remoue the obiect, cauſe, occaſion, if by any Art or meanes poſſibly we may finde it out. If he grieue, ſtand in feare, be in ſuſpicion, ſuſpence, or any way moleſted, ſecure him, *Soluitur malum*, giue him ſatisfaction, the cure is ended, alter his courſe of life, there needes no other Phyſicke. If the party be ſad, or otherwiſe affected, conſider (ſaith ^r Trallian) the manner of it, all circumſtances, & forthwith

ⁿ Obſervando
motus, geſtus,
manus, pedes,
oculos, phanta-
ſiam Piſo.

^o Mulier me-
lancholia cor-
rupta ex longā
vi peregrina-
tione, & traur-
de omnibus re-
ſpondens, quā-
maritus domum
revertetur, præter
ſpem &c.

^p Pre dolore
moriturus, quā
timidum eſſet
uxorem peper-
ſe filium, ſubito
recuperavit.

^q Nifi affectus
longo tempore
inſeſtaverit, talis
artificio Imagi-
nationes curare
oportet, præſer-
tim ubi malum
ab his velut a
primariā cauſā
occaſionem ha-
buerit.

^r Lib. 1. cap. 16.
ſex triſtitia aut
alio affectu ce-
perit ſpeciem

confidera, aut aliud quid eorum, quæ ſubitam alterationem facere poſſunt.

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¹ Evitandi mon-
strifici aspectus,
&c.

² Neq; enim tam
actio aut recor-
datio rerum hu-
iusmodi dispi-
cet, sed eos vel
gestu alterius i-
maginationi ad-
umbrare, vehe-
menter mole-
stum. Galat. de
mor. cap. 7.

³ Tranquil. præ-
cipue vitentur
tristes, & omnia
deplorantes, tri-
quillitati inimi-
cus est comes
perturbatus, om-
nia gemo.

⁴ Illorum quoq;
humana, a quo-
rum consortio
abhorret, præ-
sentia amoven-
da, nec sermoni-
bus ingratis ob-
stundendi: si quis
insaniam ab in-
sanità, sic curari
æstimet, & pro-
tervè utitur, ma-
gis quam eger
insanit. Crato
consil. 184.
Scolbr. 4.

⁵ Molliter ac
suaviter eger
irascitur, nec
adea adigatur
que non curat.

⁶ Obsessiones,
curas, emulatio-
nem, ambitionē,
iræ &c. quas
locus ille mini-
strat, & que se-
dissent melan-
cholicum.

make a sudden alteration, by removing the occasions, avoide all terrible ob-
iects, heard or scene, ¹ monstrous and prodigious aspects, tales of divels, spirits,
ghosts, tragicall stories, to such as are in feare they strike a great impression,
renew many times, and recall such Chimera's, & terrible fictions into their
minde. ² Make not so much as mention of them in private talke, or a dumbe shew
tending to that purpose: such things (saith Galatens) are offensive to their ima-
gination. And to such as are in sorrow, ³ Seneca forbids all sad companions,
and such as lament, a groaning companion is an enemy to quietnesse. ⁴ Or if there
be any such party, at whose presence the Patient is not well pleased, hee must bee
removed: gentle speeches, and faire meanes must first be tried, no harsh language
used, or uncomfortable words, and not expell, as some doe, one madnesse with a-
nother, he that so doth, is madder then the Patient himselfe: all things must be
quietly composed, *eversa non evertenda, sed erigenda*, things down, must not
be delected, but ereared, as Crato counselleth, ⁵ he must be quietly and gently
used, and not doe any thing against his mind, but by little and little. As an
horse that starts at a drumme or trumpet, and will not endure the shooting
of a peece, may be so manned by Art, and animated, that he cannot onely en-
dure, but is much more generous at the hearing of such things, much more
courageous then before, & much delighteth in it: they must not be reformed
ex abrupto, but by all Art & insinuation, made to such companies, aspects,
obiects, they could not formerly away with. Many at first cannot endure the
sight of a greene wound, a sick man, which afterward become good Chirur-
gions, bold Empericks: A horse starts at a rotten post as farre off, which com-
ming neere, he quietly passeth. T'is much in the manner of making such kind
of persons, be they neuer so averse from company, bashfull, solitary, timo-
rous, they may be made at last with those Roman Matrons, to desire nothing
more then in a publike shew, to see a full company of gladiators breathe out
their last.

If they may not otherwise be accustomed to brooke such distastefull and
displeasing obiects, the best way then is generally to avoide them, *Montanus*
consil. 229. to the Earle of Momfort a Courtier, and his Melancholy Patient,
adviseth him to leaue the Court, by reason of those continuall discontentes,
⁶ cares, suspicions, emulations, ambition, anger, jealousy, which that place affor-
ded, and which surely caused him to be so Melancholy at first:

Maxima quæq; domus servus est plena superbis,

A company
of scoffers and proud Jacks, are commonly conversant & attendant in such
places, and able to make any man that is of a soft quiet disposition (as many
times they doe) *ex stulto insanum*, if once they humour him, a very Idiot, or
starke mad. A thing too much practised in all common societies, and they
haue no better sport then to make themselves merry by abusing some silly
fellow, or to take advantage of another mans weaknesse. In such cases, as in a
plague, the best remedy is, *cito, longè, tardè*: (for to such a party, especialiy if
he be apprehensive, there can be no greater misery) to get him quickly gone,
farre enough off, and not to be over-hasty in his returne. If he bee so stupid,
that he doe not apprehend it, his friends should take some order, & by their
discretio supply that which is wanting in him, as in all other cases they ought
to doe. If they see a man Melancholy giuen, solitary, averse from company,
please himselfe with such private and vaine meditations, though he delight
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in it, they ought by all meanes to seeke to divert him, to dehort him, to tell him of the euent and danger that may come of it. If they see a man idle, that by reason of his meanes otherwise, will betake himselfe to no course of life, they ought seriously to admonish him, hee makes a noose to intangle himselfe, his want of imployment will be his vndoing. If hee haue sustained any great losse, suffered a repulse, disgrace, &c. if it bee possible, relieue him. If hee desire ought, let him be satisfied, if in suspence, feare, suspicion, let him be secured, and if it may conveniently be, giue him his hearts content; for the body cannot be cured till the minde be satisfied. † *Socrates* in *Plato* would prescribe no Physicke for *Charmides* headach, till first hee had eased his trouble. *Some minde, body & soule must be cured together, as head and eyes.* If that may not be hoped or expected, yet ease him with comfort, chearefull speeches, faire promises, and good words, perswade him, aduise him. *Many, saith a Galen, haue bene cured by good counsell and perswasion alone. Heauinesse of the heart of man doth bring it downe, but a good word reioyceth it, Prou. 12. 25. & there is he that speaketh words like the pricking of a sword, but the tongue of a wiseman is health, Vers. 18. Oratio namq. saucij animi est remedium,* a gentle speech is the cure of a wounded soule, as *Plutarch* contends out of *Æschylus* and *Euripides*: If it be wisely administred, it easeth grieffe and paine, as diuerse remedies doe many other diseases: 'Tis incantationis instar, a charme. A wise and wel spoken man may doe much in such a case, a good Orator alone, as *Tully* holds, can alter affections by power of his eloquence, comfort such as are afflicted, erect such as are depressed, expell and mitigate feare, lust, anger, &c. and how powerfull is the charme of a discreet and deare friend. *Ille regit dictis animos, & temperat iras, What may not he effect? As d Chremes told Menedemus, Feare not, conceale it not O friend, but tell mee what it is that troubles thee, and I shall surely helpe thee by comfort, counsell, or in the matter it selfe.* *Arnoldus lib. 1. breuiar. cap. 18.* speaks of an Vsurer in his time, that vpon a losse much melancholy and discontent, was so cured. As *Imagination*, feare, grieffe, cause such passions, so concepts alone, rectified by good hope, counsell, &c. are able againe to helpe: and 'tis incredible how much they can doe in such a case, as *Trincavellus* illustrates by an example of a Patient of his. *Porphyrius* the Philosopher (in *Plotinus* life, written by him) relates of himselfe, that being in a discontented humour through vn sufferable anguish of mind, he was going to make away himselfe: but meeting by chance his master *Plotinus*, who perceauing by his distracted lookes all was not well, vrged him to confesse his grieffe: which when he had heard, he vsed such comfortable speeches, that he redeemed him e *saucius Erebi*, pacified his vnquiet minde, in somuch, that he was easily reconciled to himselfe, and much abashed to thinke afterwards that hee should euer entertaine so vile a motion. By all meanes therefore, faire promises, good words, gentle perswasions are to be vsed, not to be too rigorous at first, & or to insult ouer them, not to deride neglect or contemne, but rather, as *Lemnius* exhorteth, to pittie, and by all plausible meanes to seeke to reduce them: but if satisfaction may not be had, milde courses, promises, comfortable speeches, and good counsell will not take place; then as *Christophorus a Vega* determines *lib. 3. cap. 14. de Mel.* to handle them more roughly, to threaten and chide, saith *Altomarus*, terrify sometimes, or as *Saluianus* will haue them, to be lashed and whipt, as we doe by

† *Nisi prius animum turbatis-
simum curasset,
oculi sine capi-
te, nec corpus si-
ne anima curari
potest.*

^a Et nos non
paucos sanavi-
mus, animi mo-
tibus ad debi-
tum revocatis.
lib. 1. de sanit.
tutend.

^b Consol. ad A-
pollonium. Si
quis sapienter &
suo tempore adhi-
beat. Remedia
morbis diuersis
diuersa sunt, do-
lentem sermo be-
nignus subleuat.
^c De nat. deorū.
consolatur affli-
ctos, deducit
perterritos a ti-
more, cupidita-
tes imprimis, &
iracundias com-
primis.

^d Heanton. Aet.
1. Scen. 1. Ne
metue, ne vere-
re, crede inquam
mibi, aut consola-
ndo, aut consi-
lio, aut re inue-
ro.

^e *Novi generat-
torem ararum
apud meos sic
curatum, qui
multam pecunie
am amiserat.*
^f Lib. 1. consil. 12.
Incredibile di-
ctū quantum
invenit.

^g *Nemo istius-
medi conditionis
hominibus in-
sultet, aut in il-
los sit severior,
verum miserie
potius indoles-
cat, vicemq. de-
ploret.* lib. 2. cap.
16.

^h Cap. 7. Idem
Piso Laurentina
cap. 8.

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¹ Quod timet
nihil est, ubi co-
gitur et videtur.

² Una vice bli-
diuntur, una vi-
ce isdem terro-
rem incutiant.

³ Si vero fuerit
ex novo malo

audito, et ex a-
limi accidente,

aut de amissione
mercium, aut

morte amici, in-
troducuntur no-
va contraria his

que ipsum ad
gaudia moueat,

de hoc semper
niti debemus,

et c.

^m Lib. 3. cap. 14.

ⁿ Lib. 1. cap. 9.

sic morbum mor-
bo, ut clauum

clauoreti di-
mus et malo

nolo malum cu-
neum adhibe-
mus. Noui ego

qui ex subito
hostium incursu,

et inopinato ti-
more quartana

depulerat.

^o Lib. 7. cap. 50.

In acie pugnant
febre quartana

liberatus est.

^p Iacchimus cap
15 in 9. Rhafis.

Mont. c. 26.

^q Lib. 1. cap. 16

aversantur eos
qui eorum affe-
ctus vident con-
temnunt. Si ra-
nas aut viperas

comedisse se pu-
tant concedere
debemus et
speciem de cura fa-
cere.

^r Cap. 8. de mel.
^s Cistam posuit
ex medicorum
consilio prope
eum, in quem a-
lium se mortu-
um fingentem
posuit, hic in
cista iacens, et c.

^t Serres 1550.

a starting horse, ⁱ that is affrighted without a cause, or as ^k Rhafis aduiseeth, *one while to speake faire and flatter, another while to terrise and chide*, as they shall see cause.

When none of these precedent remedies will availle, it will not be amisse, which *Sauanorola* and *Ælian Montaltus* so much commend, *clauum clauo pellere*, ^l to driue out one passion with another, or by some contrary passion, as they doe bleeding at nose by letting blood in the arme, to expell one feare with another, one grieve with another. ^m *Christophorus à Vega* accounts it rationall Physicke, *non alienum à ratione*: and *Lemnius* much approoues it, ⁿ to use *an hard wedge to an hard knot*, to driue out one disease with another, to pull out a tooth, or wound him, that the paine of the one, may mitigate the grief of the other, and I knewe such a one that was so cured of a quartan ague, by the sudden coming of his enemies vpon him. If wee may beleue ^o *Pliny*, whom *Scaliger* calls *mendaciorum patram*, the father of lies, *Q. Fabius Maximus*, that renowned Confull of Rome, in a battle fought with the King of the *Allobroges*, at the riuer *Isaurus*, was so rid of a quartan ague. *Valesius* in his controversies, holds this an excellent remedy, and if it bee discreetly vsed in this malady, better then any Physicke.

Sometimes againe by some pained ly, strange newes, witty device, artificiall inuention, it is not amisse to deceaue them. As they hate those, saith *Alexander*, that neglect or deride, so they giue care to such as will sooth them vp. If they say, they haue swallowed frogges or a snake, by all meanes grant it, & tell them you can easily cure it: tis an ordinary thing. *Philodotus* the Physitian cured a Melancholy King, that thought his head was off, by putting a leaden cap thereon, the waight made him perceauie it, & freed him of his fond Imagination. A woman in the said *Alexander*, swallowed a Serpent as shee thought, he gaue her a vomit, and conveyed a Serpent, such as shee conceaued, into the bason, vpon the sight of it shee was amended. The pleasantest dotage that euer I read, saith ^r *Laurentius*, was of a Gentleman of *Senes* in Italy, who was afraid to pisse, lest all the towne should be drowned, the Physitians caused the bells to be rung backward, and told him the towne was on fire, wherevpon he pissed, and was immediatly cured. Another thought his nose so bigge, that he should dash it against the walls if hee stirred; his Physitian tooke a great peece of flesh, and holding it in his hand, pinched him by the nose, making him beleue that flesh was cut from it. *Forestus obseru. lib. 1.* had a melancholy patient, who thought he was dead, ^s he put a fellowe in a chest, like a dead man by his bed side, and made him ereare himsele a little, and eat: the melancholy man asked the counterfeit, whether dead men vse to eat meat, he told him yea, wherevpon he did eat likewise, and was cured. *Lemnius lib. 2. cap. 6. de 4. complex.* hath many such examples. And *Ionianus Pontanus lib. 4. cap. 2.* of wisd. of the like: but amongst the rest I finde one most memorable, registred in the French Chronicles, of an Aduocate of *Paris* before mentioned, who beleueed verily he was dead, &c. I read a multitude of such examples, of melancholy men so cured by such artificiall inuentions.

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Musicke a remedy.

MAny and sundry are the meanes, which Philosophers and Physicians haue prescribed to exhilarate a sorrowful heart, to diuert those fixed and intent cares and meditations, which in this malady so much offend; but in my iudgement none so present, none so powerful, none so opposite as a cup of strong drinke, mirth, musicke, and merry company. *Ecclus. 40. 20. Wine and Musicke reioyce the heart. Rhasis cont. 9. Tract. 15. Sal- tomarius, cap. 7. Alianus Montaltus cap. 26. Ficinus, Bened. Victor. Fauentinus,* are almost immoderate in the commendation of it, a most forcible medicine ** Iacchinus calls it. Iason Pratenfis, a most admirable thing, and worthy of con- sideration, that can so mollifie the minde, and stay those tempestuous affections of it. Musica est mentis medicina masta, a roaring-meg against Melancholy, to create and reuiue the languishing Soule, y affecting not only the eares, but the very arteries, the vitall and animall spirits, it erects the minde, and makes it nimble, Lemnius instit. cap. 44. And this it will effect in the most dull, seuer, and sorrowfull Soules, ² expell grieffe with mirth, and if there bee any cloudes or dust, or dregges of cares yet lurking in our thoughts, most powerfully it wipes them all away. Salisbur. polic. lib. 1. cap. 6. and that which is more, it will per- forme all this in an instant. ^a Cheare vp thy countenance, expell austerity, bring in hilarity (Girald. Camb. cap. 12. Topog. Hiber.) informe our manners, mitigate anger, *Athenæus (Dipnosophist. lib. 14. cap. 10.) calleth it, an infinite treasure to such as are indowed with it. Dulcisonum reficit tristia corda melos, Eobanius Hessus. Many other properties ^b Cassiodorus epist. 4. reckons vp of this our diuine Musicke, not only to expell the greatest griefes, but it doth extenuate feares and furies, appeaseth cruelty, awaketh heauinesse, and to such as are watchfull, it causeth quiet rest, it takes away spleene and hatred, bee it instru- mentall vocall, with strings, winde. ^c *Quæ à spiritu, siue manuum dexteritate gubernetur, &c. it cures all irksomnesse and heauinesse of the Soule. ^c Labo- ring men that sing to their worke, can tell as much, & so can Souldiers when they goe to fight, whom terror of death cannot so much affright, as Musicke animates. It makes a child quiet, the nurses song, &c. In a word it is so pow- erfull a thing, that it rauisheth the Soule, and carries it beyond it selfe, helps, eleuates, extends it. Scaliger. exercit. 302. giues a reason of these effects, ^c be- cause the spirits about the heart, take in that trembling and dancing ayre into the body, and are moued together, and stirred vp with it, or else the minde, as some suppose, harmonically composed, is rowfed vp at the tunes of Musick. And 'tis not onely men that are so affected, but almost all other creatures. You knowe the tale of Hercules Gallus, Orpheus, and Amphion, felices animas Ouid calls them that could saxa mouere sono testudinis, &c. make stockes and stones as well as beasts, other animals dance after their pipes. Arion that made^f Fishes follow him, which as common experience evinceth, are much affected with Musicke. All singing birds are much pleased with it, especially***

^c Quod spiritus qui in corde agitant, tremulum, & subsultantem reci piunt aerem in pectus, & inde excitantur, à spiritu muscoli mouen- tur, &c. ^f M^c Carey of Anthony in Descript. Cornwall, saith of Sailes that they will come and shew themselves dancing at the sound of a Trumpet, fol. 35. 1. & fol. 154. 2. booke.

In 9. Rhasis. magnam vim habet Musica. ² Cap. de Ma- niâ. Admiran- da profectò res est, & digna ex- persione, quod sonorum concin- nitas mentem molliat, sstatiq; procellosas ipsius affectiones.

¹ Languens ani- mus inde erigi- tur, & reniuit- cit, nec tam au- res afficit, sed & sonitu per arte- rias undiq; dis- fuso spiritus tum vitales, tum ani- males excitat, mentem reddens agilem &c.

² Musica venu- state sua mentes seueriores capit, &c.

^a Animos tristes subito exhilarat, nubilos vultus serenat, austeri- tatem reponit, iocunditatem exponit. Barba- rismq; facit de- ponere gentes; mores instituit, iracundiam mi- tigat.

^b Cythara tri- stitiam iocundas timidos furiores attenuat, cruen- tam seuitiam blandè reficit, languorem, &c.

^c Pet. Arctine.

^d Castilio de an- tic lib. 1. fol. 72.

Nightingales

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De ceruo, equo,
cane, & fidei
comperit, mu-
sicā afficiuntur.
Numen inest
numeris.

Sape graues
morbos modula-
tum carmen ab-
egit, & despera-
ta conciliavit
opem.

Lib. 5. cap. 7.
mencibus me-
rorem adimam,
letantem vero
seipso reddam
hilariorē, a-
mantem calidi-
orem, religiosum
diuino numine
corruptum, &
ad deos colendos
paratiorē.

Natalis Comes
Myth. lib. 4. c.
12.

Lib. 5. de rep.
curat musica fu-
rorem Sancti
Viti.

Exilire ē cor-
ruptio, Cardan.
subtil. lib. 13.
Iliad. 1.

Lib. 9. cap. 1.
Psalmus Sam-
bucis, & con-
tinualia lu-
dorum oblecta-
menta addita
epulis, ex Asia
inuenit in ur-
bem.

Comineus.

Ista libenter
& magni cum
voluptate spec-
rare soleo. Et
scio te illecebris
hiscē captum
viri & insuper
tripudiatum;
haud dubie de-
mulcere.

In musicis su-
pra omnem fidē
capio & oble-
tor, choreas
libentissime aspi-
cio, pulcrarum
feminarum ve-
nustate detineor
otiosi inter has
solatus curis pos-
sum.

Nightingales, if wee may belecue *Calcagninus*, and Bees amongst the rest, though they be flying away, when they heare any tinkling sound, will tarry behind. *Harts, Hinds, Horses, Dogges, Beares*, are exceedingly delighted with it, *Scal. exerc. 302.* Elephants *Agrippa* addes, lib. 2. cap. 24. and in *Lydia* in the midst of a lake there be certaine floating Ilands, (if you will belecue it) that after good Musicke will dance.

But to leaue all declamatory speeches in praise of diuine Musicke, I will confine my selfe to my proper subiect: besides that excellent power it hath to expell many other diseases, it is a soueraigne remedy against Despaire & Melancholy, and will driue away the Diuell himselfe. *Canus a Rhodian Fidler* in *Philostatus*, when *Apollonius* was inquisitiue to know what he could doe with his pipe, told him, that hee could make a melancholy man merry, and him that was merry, much merrier then before, a leuer more inamored; a religious man more deuout. *Ismenias* the Theban, *Chyron* the Centaure is said to haue cured this and many other diseases by Musick alone: as now they doe those, saith *Bodine*, that are troubled with *St Vitus* bedlam dance. *Timotheus* the Musitian compelled *Alexander* to skip vp and downe, and leaue his dinner (like the tale of the Frier and the Boy) whom *Austin de civ. Dei, lib. 17. cap. 14.* so much commends for it. Who hath not heard how *Dauids* harmony droue away the euill spirits from King *Saul*, 1. *Sam. 16.* and *Elisha* when he was much troubled by importunate Kings, called for a Minstrell, and when he plaied the band of the Lord came vpon him; 2. *Kings, 3.* *Iason Pratensis cap. de Mania* hath many examples, how *Clinius* and *Empedocles* cured some desperately melancholy, and some mad, by this our Musicke. Which because it hath such excellent vertues, belike *Homer* brings in *Phemius* playing, and the *Muses* singing at the banquet of the Gods. *Aristotle polit. lib. 8. cap. 5. Plato 2. de legibus*, highly approue of it, and so doe all Politicians. The *Greeks, Romans*, haue graced Musicke, & made it one of the liberall sciences, though it be now become mercenary. All ciuill commonwealthes allow it. *Cneius Manlius* (as *Linus* relates) *Ab urb. cond. 567.* brought first out of *Asia* to *Rome* singing wenches, players, iesters, and all manner of Musicke to their feasts. All Princes and Emperours, and persons of any quality, maintaine it in their Courts; No mirth without Musicke. *St Thomas Moore* in his absolute *Vtopian* commonwealth, allows Musick as an appendix to euery meale, and that throughout, to all sorts. *Epictetus* calls mensam mutam, praesepe, a table without Musicke, a manger. *P Lewes* the xi. when hee inuited *Edward the 4.* to come to *Paris*, told him that as a principall part of his entertainment, he should heare sweet voices of children, exquisite musicke, he should haue a ---- and the Cardinall of *Burbon* to be his Confessor, which hee vsed as a most plausible argument: as to a sensuall man, indeed it is. *Lucian* in his booke de saltatione is not ashamed to professe, that hee tooke infinite delight in singing, dancing, musicke, & such like pleasures, and if thou (saith he) didst but heare them play and dance, I know thou wouldst be so well pleased with the object, that thou wouldst dance for company thy selfe, without doubt thou wilt be taken with it. So *Scaliger* of himselfe ingenuously confesseth, exercit. 274. I am beyond all measure affected with Musicke, I doe most willingly behold them dance, I am mightily detained and allured with that grace & comeliness of faire women, I am well pleased to bee idle amongst them. And what

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young man is not? As it is acceptable and conducing to most, so especially to a melancholy man. Provided alwaies, his disease proceed not originally from it, that he be not some light *inamorato*, some idle phantastick, who capers in conceit all day long, and thinkes of nothing else, but how to make Gigges, Sonnets, Madrigals, in commendation of his Mistresse. In such cases Musicke is most pernicious, as a spur to a free horse, will make him run himselfe blinde, or breake his winde, it will make such melancholy persons mad, and the sound of those Gigges and Horne-pipes, will not bee remoued out of their eares a weeke after. * *Plato* for this cause forbids Musicke and Wine to all young men, because they are most part amorous; *ne ignis addatur igni*, least one fire increafe another. Many men are melancholy by hearing Musicke, but it is a pleasant melancholy that it causeth, and therefore to such as are discontent, in woe, feare, sorrow, or dejected, it is a most present remedy, it expells cares, alters their griued mindes, and easeth in an instant. Otherwise, saith * *Platarch*, *Musica magis dementat quam vinum*; Musicke makes some men mad; like *Astolphos* horne in *Ariosto*: or *Mercuries* golden wand in *Homer*, that made some wake, others sleepe; it hath diuerse effects: and * *Theophrastus* right well prophecied, that diseases were either made by Musicke, or mitigated.

* 3. De legibus.

* *Sympos. quest.*
 5. musica multos
 magis dementat
 quam vinum.
 * *Animi morbi*
 vel à Musicâ
 curantur vel
 inferantur.

SUBSECT. 4.

Mirth and merry company remedies.

Mirth and merry company may not be separated from Musicke, both concurring, and necessarily required in this businesse. Mirth (saith * *Vives*) purgeth the blood, confirms health, causeth a fresh pleasing fine colour, proroges life, whets the wit, makes the body yong and liuely, and fit for any manner of imployment. The merrier heart, the longer life, *A merry heart is the life of the flesh*, *Prov. 14. 30.* and this is one of the three *Salernitan* Doctors, Dr *Merryman*, Dr *Diet*, and Dr *Quiet*, which cure all diseases. — *Mens hilaris, requies, moderata dieta.* * *Gomesius præfat. lib. 3. de salut. gen.* is a great magnifier of honest mirth, by which (saith he) we cure many passions of the mind in our selues, & in our friends: which * *Galatens* assignes for a cause, why we loue merry companions: and well they deserue it, being that as * *Maginus* holds, a merry companion is better then any musick: & as the saying is, *comes incundus in viâ pro vehiculo*, as good as a Wagon to him that is wearied on the way. For these causes, our Physitians generally prescribe this as a principall engine, to batter the walles of Melancholy, a chiefe Antidote, and a sufficient cure of it selfe. By all meanes (saith * *Mesue*) procure mirth to such men, in such things as are heard, seene, tasted, or smelled, or any way perceiued, and let them haue all entisements, and faire promises, the sight of excellent beauties, attires, or ornaments, delight some passages, to disfrac their mindes from feare and sorrow, and such things on which they are so fixed

* *Lib. 3. de Animi.* Letitia purgat sanguinem, valetudinem confirmat, colorem induit florentem, nitidum, gratum.

* *Spiritus temperat, calorem excitat, naturalem virtutem corroborat, iuuenile corpus diu seruat, vitam prorogat, ingenium acuit, & hominem negotiis, quibuslibet aptiorem reddit.*
 * *Schoola Salern.*

* *Quam contumelia vacante, & festiva lenitate mordens, mediocres ani-*

mi evertit. *Sanare solent &c.* * *De mor. sol. 57.* *Anamur* id est eos qui sunt faceti & incundi. * *Regim. sanit. part. 2. Nota.* quod amicus bonus, & dilectus socius, narrationibus suis incundis, superat omnes melodiam. * *De egritud. capitis.* *Omnis morbo generis letitiam in ipsis, de ipsis que audiuntur, & videntur, aut odorantur, aut gustantur, aut quocumque modo sentiri possunt, & aspectus formarum multum decoris & ornatu, & negotiatione incundâ, & blandientibus ludis, & promissis distrabantur eorum animi, de re aliqua quam timent & dolent.*

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^b *Plantur venationibus, ludis, jociis, amicorum consortijs, que non sinunt animum turbare, vino & cantu, & loci mutatione, & bibere, & gaudere, ex quibus precipue delectantur.*

^c *Piso, Ex fabulis & ludis querenda delectatio. Aliomarius, c. 7. His vesceitur, qui maxime grati sunt, cantus & chorea ad letitiam profunt.*

^d *Præcipue valet ad expellendam melancholiam stare in cantibus, ludis, & sonis, & habitare cum familiaribus, & precipue cum puellis iucundis. † Epist. fam. l. 7. 22. epist. Heri demum bene potus, seroq; redieram.*

^e *Valer. Max. cap. 8. lib. 8. Interposita arundine curibus suis, cum filiis ludens, ab Alcibiade visus est.*

^f *Hominibus facies, & ludis puerilibus, ultra modum deditus, adeo ut si cui in eo tam gravitatem, quam levitatem considerare libere, duas personas distinctas in eo esse diceret.*

^g *De nugis curial. lib. 1. cap. 4. Magistratus & viri graves, & ludis levioribus arcendi.*

^h *Machiavel*

vita eius. Ab amico reprehensus, quod præter dignitatem tripudij operam daret, respondit &c.

ⁱ *Hor.*

^k *St. John Harrington, Epig. 50.*

and intent. ^b Let them use Hunting, sports, playes, jests, merry company, as Rhasis prescribes, which will not let the minde be molested, a cup of good drinke now and then, heare musicke, and haue such companions, with whom they are especially delighted. Merry tales or toyes, singing, dancing, and whatsoeuer else may procure mirth: and by no meanes, saith Guianerius, suffer them to bee alone. *Benedictus Victorius Faventinus* in his *Emperickes*, accompts it an especiall remedy against Melancholy, to heare and see singing, dancing, maskers, mummings, to converse with such merry fellows, and faire maides. Not to be an auditor only, or a spectator, but sometimes an Actor himselfe. *Dulce est desipere in loco*, to play the foole now and then, is not amisse, there is a time for all things. *Graue Socrates* would be merry by fittes, sing, dance, and take his liquor too, or else *Theodoret* belies him; so would old *Cato*, † *Tully* by his own confession, and the rest. *Xenophon* in his *Sympos.* brings in *Socrates* as a principall Actor, no man merrier then himselfe, and sometimes he would ride a cock horse with his children (though ^e *Alcibiades* scoffed at him for it) & well he might, for now and then (saith *Plutarch*) the most vertuous, honest, and grauest men will use Feasts, jests, and toyes, as we doe sauce to our meates. *Machiavell* in the 8. booke of his *Florentine* history, giues that note of *Cosmus Medices*, the wisest and grauest man of his time in *Italy*, That he would sometimes play the most egregious foole in his carriage, and was so much given to iesters, players, and childish sports, to make himself merry, that he that should but consider his gravity on the one part, his folly and lightnesse on the other, would surely say, that there were two distinct persons in him. Now me thinks, he did well in it, though ^g *Salisburyensis* be of opinion, that Magistrates, Senators, and graue men, should not descend to lighter sports, *ne Respub. ludere videatur*. But as *Themistocles*, still keepe a sterne and constant carriage. I commend *Cosmus Medices*, and that *Castrucius Castrucanus*, then whom *Italy* neuer knew a worthier Captain, another *Alexander*, if *Machianel* doe not deceiue vs in his life: when a friend of his reprehended him for dancing beside his dignity (belike at some cuthen dance) he told him againe, *qui sapit interdum, vix unquam noctu desipit*, he that is wise in the day, may dote a litle in the night. *Paulus Iovius* relates as much of Pope *Leo Decimus*, that hee was a graue, discreet, stay'd man, and yet sometimes most free, and too open in his sports. And 'tis not altogether † vnfit or misbecoming the gravity of such a man, if that *Decorum* of time and place, and such circumstances be obserued. ⁱ *Misce stultitiam consilijs breuem*; and as ^k he said in an Epigram to his wife, I would haue euery man say to himselfe, or to his friend,

Moll, once in pleasant company by chance,
I wisht that you for company would dance,
Which you refus'd, and said, your yeares require,
Now, matron-like, both manners and attire.
Well Moll, if needes you will be matron-like,
Then trust to this, I will thee matron like:
Yet so to you my loue may neuer lessen,
As you for Church, house, bed, obserue this lesson:
Sit in the Church as solemne as a Saint,

† There is a time for all things, to weepe, laugh, mourne, dance, *Eccles. 3. 4.* ⁱ *Hor.* ^k *St. John Harrington, Epig. 50.*

No deed, word, thought, your due deuotion taint,
 Vaile if you will your head, your Soule reveale
 To him that onely wounded Soules can heale:
 Be in my house as busie as a Bee,
 Hauing a sting for euery one but mee,
 Buzzing in euery corner, gathering hony,
 Let nothing waste, that costs or yeeldeth mony:
 And when thou seest my heart to mirth incline,
 Thy tongue, wit, blood warme with good cheare and wine:
 Then of sweet sports let no occasion scape,
 But be as wanton, toying as an Ape.

Those old ¹ Greekes had their *Lubentiam Deam*, goddesse of Pleasance, and those *Lacedemonians* instructed from *Lycurgus*, did *Deo Risui sacrificare*, after their warres especially, and in times of peace, which was vsed in *Theffaly*, as it appeares by that of ^m *Apuleius*, who was made an instrument of their laughter himselfe: ⁿ Because laughter and merriment, was to season their labours & modest life. ^o *Risus enim diuini atq; hominum est aterna voluptas*. Princes vse Jesters, Players, & haue those Masters of Revels in their Courts. The *Romanes* at euery supper (for they had no solemne dinner) vsed Musick, Gladiators, Jesters, &c. as [†] *Suetonius* relates of *Tiberius*, and *Dion* of *Commodus*, and so did the *Greekes*. Besides musicke, in *Xenophons* *Sympos*. *Philippus ridendi artifex*, *Philip* a Jester, was brought in to make sport. *Ctesias* reports of a *Persian King*, that had 150 Maides attending at his Table, to play, sing, and dance by turnes; and ^p *Lil. Giraldus* of an *Egyptian Prince*, that kept 9 Maides still to wait vpon him, and those of most excellent feature, and sweet voyces, which afterwards gaue occasion to the *Greekes* of that fiction of the 9. *Muses*. And this and many such meanes, to exhilarate the heart of men, haue beene still practised in all ages, as knowing there is no better thing to the preseruacion of mans life. What shall I say then, but to euery melancholy man,

*Ut vere conuiuio, non tristibus utere amicis;
 Quos nuga, & risus, & ioca salsa iuuant.*

Feast often, and vse friends not still so sad,
 Whose jests and merriments may make thee glad.

Vse honest and chaste sports, scenicall shewes, playes,

^z *Accedant iuuenumq; Chori, mistaq; puellae*

And as *Marsilius Ficinus* concludes an Epistle to *Bernard Canisianus*, and some other of his friendes, will I to all good students, [†] *Liue merrily, O my friends, free from cares, perplexity, anguish, grieve of minde, liue merrily, lætitiā coelum vos creauit*: [†] *Againe and againe I request you to be merry: if any thing trouble your hearts, or vex your soules, neglect and contemne it, let it passe*. ^z *And this I inioyne you, not as a Diuine alone, but as a Physitian, for without this mirth, which is the life and Quintessence of all Physicke, all medicines, and whatsoeuer is vsed and applied to prolong the life of man, is dull, dead, and of no force. Dum fata sinunt, vivite leti. (Seneca) I say, be merry.*

[†] *Nec lussibus virentem*

Viduemus hanc iuventam.

It was *Tiresias*

the Prophets counsell to [†] *Menippus*, that travelled all the world ouer, and downe to Hell it selfe to seeke content, and his last farewell to *Menippus*, to

¹ *Lil. Giraldus*
^{bist. deor. Syn-}
^{tag. 1.}

^m *Lib. 2. de an-*
^{af.}

ⁿ *Et quid risus*
^{esset laboris &}
^{modesti victus}
^{condimentum.}

^o *C. Caltag. epig.*

[†] *Cap. 61. In*
^{delitibus habuit}
^{curas & adu-}
^{latores.}

^p *Syntag. de*
^{Musis.}

^q *Eobanus Hes-*
^{ses.}

^r *Fractastorius.*

^s *Vivite ergo*

leti, O amici,

procul ab angu-

stia, vivite leti.

[†] *Iterum precor*

& obestor, vi-

vite leti: illud

quod cor urit,

negligite.

^u *Letus in præ-*

sens animus

quod ultra Ode-

rit curare. Hor.

^z *He was both*

Sacerdos &

Medicus. Hec

autem non tam

ut sacerdos ani-

mi mando vo-

bis, quam ut me-

dicus, nam absq;

hac una tanquā

medicinarum

omnium vitā,

medicines omnes

ad vitam pro-

ducenda, ad-

bibi: & moriuntur: vivite leti.

[†] *Locheus A-*

macroan.

[†] *Lucian. Ne-*

cyomantia. To.

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² Omnia munda nugas aestima. Hoc solum tota vita persequere, ut presentibus bene compositis, minime curiosus, aut illa in re sollicitus, quamplurimum potes vitam huiusmodi traducas.

² Hildisheim Episc. 2. de Malitia. fol. 161.

Studia literaria, et animi perturbationes fugiat, et quantum potest iucunde vivat.

² Lib. de atrabile. Gravioribus curis ludos et facetias aliquando interpone, iocos, et que solent animum relaxare.

^c Conf. 30. Mala valetudo aucta ac conferta est tristitia, ac propterea ex hilaratione animi remouenda.

^d Iuven. Sat. 8.

^e Hor.

^f Froissard. hist. lib. 1. H. Spanium Anglorum vires ferre non possent, in fugam se dederunt &c. Precipites in fluvium se dederunt, ne in hostium manus devenirent.

^g Ter.

^h Hor.

ⁱ H. mid. d. d. mid.

be merry. ² Contemne the world (saith he) and count all that is in it vanity and toys, this onely couet all thy life long, be not curious, or over sollicitous in any thing, but with a well-composed and contented estate to enjoy thy self, and above all things to be merry. Nothing better, (to conclude with Solomon, Eccles. 3. 22.) then that a man should reioyce in his affaires. Tis the same advice which euery Physitian in this case, rings to his Patient, as Capivaccius to his, ^a avoid overmuch study and perturbations of the minde, and as much as in thee lies, live at hearts ease. Prosper Calenus to that melancholy Cardinall Casius, ^b amidst thy serious studies and businesses, use iests & conceits, playes and toys, & whatsoeuer else may recreate thy minde. Nothing better then mirth, and merry company in this malady, ^c It beginnes with sorrow (saith Montanus) it must be expelled with hilarity.

But see the mischief, many men knowing that merry company is the only medicine against melancholy, will therefore neglect their businesse, and in another extreame, spend all their dayes amongst good fellowes in a Taverne or an Ale-house, and know not otherwise how to bestow their time but in drinking. Tis all their exercise to eat and drinke, to sacrifice to Volupia, Rumina, Edulica, Potina, Melona, is all their Religion. Flourishing wits, & men of good parts, good fashion, good worth, bailely prostitute themselves to euery roagues company, to take Tobacco and drinke, to roare and sing scur-rile songs.

^d Invenies aliquem cum percussore iacentem, Permissum nautis aut furibus, aut fugitivis.

That which Thomas Erasmus objects to Paracelsus, that he would lye drinking all day long, with Car-men and Tapsters in a Brothell-house, is too frequent amongst vs with men of better note. They drowne their wits, seeth their Braines in Ale, consume their fortunes, lose their time, weaken their temperatures, confound their Soules, goe from Scylla to Charybdis, and vse that which is an helpe to their vndoing,

^e Quid refert morbo an ferro pereamve ruinâ?

† When the blacke Prince went to set the exil'd King of Castile into his kingdom, there was a terrible battel fought betwixt the English & Spanish: at last the Spanish fled; the English followed them to a river side, where some drowned themselves to avoide their enemies, the rest were killed. Now tell me what difference is betwixt drowning and killing? As good be melancholy still, as drunken beasts & beggers. Company a sole comfort, and an only remedy to all manner of discontent, is their sole misery & cause of perdition. As Hermione lamented in Euripides, Mala mulieres me fecerunt malam, Euill company marr'd her, may they iustly complaine, bad companions haue beene their bane. For, ^f malus malum vult ut sit sui similis, one drunkard in a company, one thiefe, one whore-master, will by his goodwill, make all the rest as bad as himselfe,

— Et si

Nocturnos iures te formidare vapores,

be of what complexion you will, inclination, loue or hate, bee it good or bad, if you come amongst them, you must doe as they doe; yea, ^h though it bee to the preiudice of your health, you must drinke. And so like Grasshoppers, whilst they sing ouer their cuppes all Sommer, they starue in Winter; & for a little vaine merriment, shall finde a sorrowfull reckoning in the end.

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MEMB. 1. SVBSEC. 1.

*A Consolatory Digression, containing the Remedies
of all manner of Discontents.*

BEcause in the precedent Section, I have made mention of good counsel, comfortable speeches, perswasion, how necessarily they are required to the cure of a discontented or troubled minde, how present a remedy they yeeld, and many times a sole sufficient cure of themselves: I have thought fit in this following Section, a little to digresse, (if at least it be to digresse in this subiect) to collect and gleane a few remedies, and comfortable speeches out of our best Oratours, Philosophers, Divines, and Fathers of the Church, tending to this purpose. I confesse, many haue copiously written of this subiect, *Plato, Seneca, Plutarch, Xenophon, Epictetus, Theophrastus, Xenocrates, Crantor, Lucian, Boethius*: & some of late, *Sadoletus, Cardan, Budaeus, Stella, Petrarch, Erasmus*, besides *Justin, Cyprian, Bernard &c.* And I shall but *actum agere*: yet because these Tracts are not so obvious and common, I will Epitomize, and briefly insert some of their diuine Precepts, reducing their voluminous and vaste Treatises to my small scale, for it were otherwise impossible to bring so great vessels into so small a creek. And although (as *Cardan* said of his booke *de consol.*) *I know before-hand, this Tract of mine many will contemne and reiect: they that are fortunate, happy, and in flourishing estate, haue no need of such consolatory speeches; they that are miserable and unhappy, thinke them vn sufficient to ease their grieued mindes, and comfort their misery*: Yet I will goe on, for this must needs doe some good to such as are happy, to bring them to a moderation, and make them reflect and knowe themselves, by seeing the vnconstancy of humane felicity, & others misery: and to such as are distressed, if they will but attend and consider of it, it cannot chuse but giue some content and comfort. * *Tu true, no medicine can cure all diseases, some affections of the minde are altogether incurable, yet these helpes of art, Physicke and Philosophy must not be contemned.* *Arrianus* and *Plotinus* are stiffe in the contrary opinion, that such precepts can doe little good, words adde no courage, (which * *Cateline* once said to his Souldiers) and a *Captaines* Oration cannot make a coward a valiant man. But sure I thinke they cannot chuse but doe some good, & vpon that hope I will aduenture. ¹ *Non meus hic sermo, sed quē precepit Iesus*, Not my speech this, but of *Seneca, Plutarch, Epictetus, Austin, Bernard, Christ* and his *Apostles*. If I make nothing, as ^m *Montaigne* said in like case, I will marre nothing, 'tis not my doctrine but my study, I hope I shall doe no body wrong to speake what I thinke, and shall not be blamed in imparting my minde. If it bee not for thy ease, it may for mine owne, so *Tully, Cardan*, and *Boethius* writ *de consol.* as wel to helpe themselves as others: be it as it will, I will essay.

Discontents and grieuances are either generall or particular: generall are warres, plagues, dearths, fires, inundations, vnseasonable weather, Epidemicall diseases which afflict whole kingdomes, territories, citties: or peculiar

¹ Lib. de lib. proprijs. Hos libros scio multos spernere, nam felices his se non indigere putant, infelices ad solationē miseriae non sufficere. Et tamen felicibus moderationem, dum inconstantiam humane felicitatis docent praestant, infelices si omnia recte aestimare velint, felices reddere possunt.

* Nullum medicamentum omnes sanare potest, sunt affectiones animi quae prorsus sunt insanabiles, non tamen artis operis sperni debet, aut medicinae, aut Philosophiae.

² Salust. Verba virtutem non addunt, nec imperatoris oratio facit timido fortem.

³ Hor.

^m Lib. 2. Essayz, cap. 6.

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^a Alium pau-
peras, alium or-
bitas, hunc mor-
bi illum timor,
alium iniurie,
hunc insidia, il-
lum vxor, filij
distrabunt. Card
o Boetius lib. 1
met. 5.

^b Apuleius 4.
florid. Nihil ho-
mini tam pro-
pere datum di-
uinitus, quin ei
admixtum sit a-
liquod difficul-
tatis, in amplifi-
simâ quag. Leti-
tiâ subest que-
dam querima-
nia, coniugatio-
ne quadam mel-
lis & felis.

^c Si omnes pre-
mantur, quis tu-
es qui solus eua-
dere cupit ab eâ
lege que nemi-
nem preterit,
cur le non mor-
talem actum et
uniuersi orbis
regem fieri non
doles.

^d Puteanus ep.
75. Neq. cuiquâ
precipue dolex-
dum eo quod ac-
cidit vniuersis.
^e Lorchan Gal-
lobelgicus lib. 3.
Anno 1598. de
Belgia. Sed eheu
inquis euge quid
agemus? ubi pro
Epithalamio
Bellone flagellâ,
pro muscâ har-
monia terribili-
litosum & tu-
barum audâs
elargorem, pro
tedis nuptiali-
bus, villarum
pagorum, vrbium,
videtas incendia
ubi pro iubilo
lamenta, pro vi-

fu stetus aeterni complent. ^f Ita est profecto & quisquis hæc videre abnuis, huic seculo parum aptus est, aut potius nostrorum omnium
conditionem ignoras, quibus reciproco quodam nexu leta tristibus, tristia letis inuicem succedunt. ^g In Tusc. e. vii. Poeta. ^h Cardan.
lib. 1. de consol. Est consolationis genus non leue, quod à necessitate sit, siue seras, siue non seras ferendum est tamen. ⁱ Seneca. ^k Omni
dolori tempus est, medicinâ ipsum luctum extinguit, iniurias delet, omnis mali oblivionem affert. ^l Habet hoc quoq. commodum omnis
infelicitas, suauiore vitam cûm abierit relinquit. ^m Virg. ⁿ Ovid. ^o Lorchan Sunt namq. infera superis, humana terrenis longè
disparia, etenim beate mentes feruntur liberè & sine villo impedimento, stelle ætherijq. orbes cursus & conuersiones suas iam seculis
innumera bilibus constantissimè consueunt, verum homines magnis angustijs. Neq. hæc nature lege est quicquam mortalium solutus.

to private men, ^a as cares, losses, death of friends, pouerty, want, sicknesse, or-
bities, iniuries, abuses, &c. Generally all discontent, ^o *homines quatinus for-
tune salo*. No condition free, *quisq. suos patimur manes*. Even in the midst
of our mirth and iollity there is some grudging, some complaint, as ^p he saith
our whole life is a *Glucupicron*, a bitter sweet passion, hony and gall mixt to-
gether, we are all miserable and discontent, who can deny it? If all, and that it
be a common calamity, an inevitable necessity, all distressed, then as *Cardan*
inferres, ^q *who art thou that hopest to goe free? why dost thou not grieue thou art
a mortall man, and not governour of the world?* Ferre quam sortem patiuntur
omnes Nemo recuset. If it be commo to all, why should one man be more disqui-
ted then another? If thou alone wer't distressed, it were indeed more irkome
and lesse to be indured; but when the calamity is common, comfort thy selfe
with this, thou hast more fellowes, *Solamen miseris socios habuisse doloris*, tis
not thy sole case, and why shouldst thou be more impatient? ^r *I but alas wee
are more miserable then others, what shall we doe? besides priuate miseries, wee
line in perpetuall feare and danger of common enemies, we haue Bellonas whips,
and pitifull outcries, for Epithalamiums; for pleasant musick, that fearefull noise
of ordinance, Drummes, and warlike Trumpets still sounding in our eares; in-
stead of nuptiall torches we haue firing of townes and citties; for triumphs, la-
mentations; for ioy, teares.* ^s So it is, and so it was, and euer will be. And hee that
refuseth to see and heare, to suffer this, is not fit to liue in this world, and knowes
not the common conditio of all men, to whom so long as they line with a reciproc-
all course, ioyes and sorrowes are annexed, and succeed one another. It is ineni-
table, it may not be avoided, and why then shouldst thou bee so much trou-
bled? *Graue nihil est homini quod fert necessitas*, as ^t *Tully* deemes out of an
old Poet, that which is necessary, cannot be grieuous. If it bee so, then com-
fort thy selfe in this, ^x *That whether thou wilt or no, it must be indured*: make
a vertue of necessity, and conforme thy selfe to vndergoe it, ^y *Si longa est le-
vis est, si gravis est, brevis est*. If it be long, tis light, if grieuous, it wil not long
last. It will away, *dies dolorem minuit*, and if naught else, yet time will weare
it out, custome will ease it, ^z *obliuion* is a common medicine for all losses, in-
juries, griefes, and detriments whatsoeuer, ^a *and when they are once past, this
commodity comes of infelicity, it makes the rest of our life sweeter vnto vs.*
^b Atq; hæc olim meminisse iuvabit, the priuation and want of a thing many
times makes it more pleasant and delightfome then before it was. Wee must
not thinke the happiest of vs all to escape here without some misfortunes,

^c *Vsq. adeo nulla est sincera voluptas,
Sollicitumq. aliquid latet interuenit,*

Heauen and Earth are much vnlike. ^d Those heauenly bodies indeed are freely
carried in their orbes without any impediment or interruption, to continue
their course for innumerable ages, and make their conuersiones; but men are vr-
ged with many difficulties, and haue diuerse hinderances, oppositions, still cros-
sing interrupting their indeauours and desires. And no mortall man is free from

this law of nature. We must not therefore hope to haue all things answere our owne expectation, and to haue a continuance of good successe and fortunes. *Fortuna nunquam perpetuo est bona*, and as *Minutius Felix* the Roman Consul told that insulting *Coriolanus*, drunke with his good fortunes, lookè not for that successe thou hast hitherto had, *It neuer yet happened to any man since the beginning of the world, nor euer will: to haue all things according to his desire, or to whom fortune was neuer opposite and aduerse*. Euen so it fell out to him as he foretold. Such was *Alcibiades* fortune, *Narses*, that great *Gonsalua's*, and most famous mens, that as *Iouius* concludes, *it is al- most fatal to great Princes, through their owne default or otherwise circumuen- ted with enuy and malice, to loose their honours, and die contumeliously*. Tis so, still hath beene, and euer will be, *Nihil est ex omni parte beatum*,

There's no perfection is so absolute,

That some impurity doth not pollute.

Whatsoever is vnder the Moone is subiect to corruption, alteration, and so long as thou liuest vpon earth looke not for other. *Thou shalt not here finde peaceable and chearefull daies, quiet times, but rather cloudes, stormes, calum- nies, such is our fate*.

Yea, but thou thinkest thou art more miserable then the rest, other men are happy in respect of thee, their miseries are but flea-bitings to thine, thou alone art vnhappy, none so bad as thy selfe. Yet if as *Socrates* said, *All the men in the world should come & bring their griuances together, of body, mind, fortune, sores, vlcers, madnesse, Epilepsies, agues, and all those common calamities of beggery, want, seruitude, imprisonment, and lay them on a heape to be equally divided, wouldst thou share alike and take thy portion, or be as thou art? Without question thou wouldst be as thou art*. If some *Iupiter* should say to giue vs all content,

Iam faciam quod vultis, eris tu qui modò miles

Mercator, tu consultus modò rusticus, hinc vos,

Vos hinc mutatis discedite partibus, eia

Quid statis? nolunt.

Well be't so then: you master souldier

Shall be a marchant, you sir Lawyer

A country Gentleman, goe you to this,

That side you, why stand yee? It's well as 'tis.

Every man knowes his owne, but not other mens defects and miseries; and 'tis the nature of all men still to reflect vpon themselves, their own misfortunes, not to examine or consider other mens, not to conferre themselves with others. To recount their miseries, but not their good gifts, fortunes, benefits, which they haue, to ruminare on their aduersity, but not once to think on their prosperity, not what they haue, but what they want, to looke still on them that goe before, but not on those infinite numbers that come after them. Where as many a man would thinke himselfe in heauen, a petty Prince, if he had but the least part of that fortune which thou so much repinest at, abhorrest and accountest a most vile, a wretched estate. How many thousands want that which thou hast, how many myriades of poore slaues, captiues, of such as worke day and night in Cole-pits, Tinne-mines, with sore toyle to maintaine a poore liuing, of such as labour in body and minde, liue in extreame anguish, and paine, all which thou art free from. *O fortunatos nimium bona si sua no-*

runt

*Dionysius Ha-
licar. lib. 8. non
enim vnquam
contigit, nec post
homines natos
inuenies quen-
quam, cui omnia
ex animi senten-
tia successerint,
ita ut nulla in
re fortuna sit ei
aduersata.*

** Vit. Gonsalui
lib. ult. ut duci-
bus fatale sit
clarissimis à cul-
pâ suâ vel secus
circueuiri, cum
malitia & in-
uidia, imminu-
taq; dignitate
per contumeli-
am mori.*

*In terris purâ
illum ætherem
non inuenies, &
serenas animos,
nimbas potius,
procellas, calum-
nias. Lips. cent.
misc. ep. 8.*

** Si omnes ho-
mines sua mala
suasq; curas in
unum cumulum
conferrent, equis
diuisari portio-
nibus eor.*

** Hor. ser. lib. 1.
Sat. 1.*

*Quid vnus-
quisq; propria
mala nouit, aliq-
rum nesciat, in
causa est, ut se
inter alios misce-
rum putet. Car-
dan. lib. 3. de
consol. Plutarch.
de consol. ad A-
pollonium.*

*Quam multos
putas qui se cælo
proximos puta-
rent, totidem re-
gulos, fide fortu-
nae tue reliquis
paris, is minima
contingat. Boeth.
de consol. lib. 3.
prof. 4.*

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* When thou
commest here-
after to want
that which
thou now hast;
thou wilt say
thou wast hap-
py.

^a He *Isid.* 1. *oper.*
Esto quod es
quod sunt alij,
sine quemlibet
esse, Quod non
es nolis, quod po-
tes esse velis.
^m *Isid.* *Fab.*
ⁿ *Seneca.*

^b *Si dormirent*
semper omnes,
nullus alio feli-
cior esset. Card.
^c *Se iuca de ira.*
^d *Plato Axio-*
cho. An ignoras
vitam hanc pe-
reginationem
Erc. quam sapi-
entes cum gau-
dio percurrunt.
^e *Sic expedit,*
medicus non dat
quod patiens
vult sed quod ip-
se bonum scit.
^f *Frumentum*
non egreditur
nisi trituratum
Erc.

^g *Non est pena*
clauantis, sed
flagellum corri-
gentis.

^h *Ad heredita-*
tem eternam sic
erudimur.
ⁱ *Confess. 6.*
^k *Nauclerum*
tempestas, ath-
letam stadium,
ducem pugna,
miganimum
calamitas, Chri-
stianum vero
temptatio probat
& examinat.

^l *Sen. Her. fur.*
^m *Ideo Deus as-*
perum fecit iter,
ne dum delec-
tantur in via
obliviscantur e-
orum que sunt
in patria.

ⁿ *Boethius l. 4.*
met. ult.

^o *Ita nunc fortes,*
ubi celsa magni
Ducit exempli via, cur inertes
Terga nudatis? superata tellus
sydera donat.

^p *Thou art most happy, if thou couldst bee content, and acknowledge*
thy happynesse, be silent then, rest satisfied, desine, intuensq. in aliorum in-
fortunia solare mentem; comfort thy selfe with other mens misfortunes, and
as the moldwarpe in AEsop told the Fox, complaining for want of a taile, &
the rest of his companions, tacete quando me oculis captum videtis, you com-
plaine of toyes, but I am blinde, be quiet. It is m said of the Hares, that with
a generall consent they went to drowne themselves, out of a feeling of their
misery, but when they saw a company of Frogges more fearefull then they
were, they began to take courage and comfort againe. Conferre thine estate
with others, Similes aliorum respice casus, Mitius ista feres. Bee content and
rest satisfied, for thou art well in respect of others, be thankfull for that thou
hast, that God hath done so much for thee, hee hath not made thee a mon-
ster, a beast, a base creature, as he might, but a man, a Christian, such a man;
consider aright of it, thou art full well as thou art. n Quicquid vult habere ne-
mo potest, no man can haue what he will, illud potest nolle quod non habet, Hee
may chuse whether he will desire that which he hath not: Thy lot is false,
make the best of it. o If we should all sleepe at all times, who then were happier
then his fellow? Our life is but short, a very dreame, and while we look about,
p Immortalitas adest, eternity is at hand. q Our life is a pilgrimage on earth,
which wise men passe with great alacrity. If thou be in woe, sorrow, want, or
distresse, in paine or sicknesse, thinke of that of our Apostle, God chastiseth the
whom he loueth: They that sowe in teares shall reape in ioy. Ps. 126. 6. As the
Fornace proueth the Potters vessell, so doth temptation try mens thoughts. Eccl.
25. 5. tis for thy good. Perijsses nisi perijsses: Hadst thou not beene so visired
thou hadst beene vtterly vndone, as gold in the fire, so men are tryed in ad-
uersity. Tribulatio datat: And which Camerarius hath well shaddowed in an
Emblem of a Thresher and corne,

Si tritura absit paleis sunt abdita grana,
Nos crux mundanis separat a paleis:

As threshing separates from strawe the corne,
By crosses from the worlds chaffe are we borne.

*Tis the very same which * Chrysostome comments hom. 2. in 3. Mat. Corne is*
not separated but by threshing, nor men from worldly impediments but by tri-
bulation. Tis that which † Cyprian ingeminates Ser. 4. de immortal. Tis that
*which * Hierom, which all the Fathers inculcate, so are we catechised for eter-*
nity. Tis that which the prouerb insinuates, Nocumentum, documentum. Tis
that which all the world rings into our eares, Deus unicum habet filium sine
peccato nullum sine flagello: God, saith † Ausin, hath one Sonne without sin,
none without correction. † An expert sea man is tryed in a tempest; a runner,
in a race; a Captaine, in a battle; a valiant man, in aduersity; a Christian, in a
temptation and misery. Basil. homil. 8. Wee are sent as so many souldiers into
this world, to striue with the world, flesh, diuell, our life is a warfare, & who
knowes it not, † Non est ad astra mollis e terris via: u and therefore per aduen-
ture this world here is made troublesome vnto vs, that, as Gregory notes, wee
should not be delighted by the way, and forget whether we are going.

** Ita nunc fortes, ubi celsa magni*
Ducit exempli via, cur inertes
Terga nudatis? superata tellus
sydera donat.

Goe

Goe on merrily to heaven. If the way be troublesome, and you in misery, in many grievances, on the other side you have many pleasant objects, sweet smells, delightful tastes, musick, meats, hearbes, flowres, &c. to recreate your senses. Or put case thou art now forsaken of the world, dejected, condemned, yet comfort thy selfe, as it was said to *Agar* in the Wildernes, *God sees thee, he takes notice of thee.* There is a God about that can vindicate thy cause, that can relieue thee. And surely *Seneca* thinkes, hee takes delight in seeing thee. *The Gods are well pleased when they see great men contending with aduersity*, as we are to see men fight, or a man with a beast. But these are toys in respect, *Behold* (saith hee) *a spectacle worthy of God: A good man contented with his estate.* A tyrant is the best sacrifice to *Iupiter*, as the Ancients held, and his best object a contented minde. For thy part then rest satisfied, cast all thy care on him, thy burden on him, rely on him, *trust in him*, and he shall nourish thee, care for thee, give thee thine hearts desire, say with *David*, *God is our hope and strength in troubles ready to be found, Ps. 46. 1. for they that trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Sion, which cannot be removed. Ps. 124. 1. 2. as the mountaines are about Ierusalem, so is the Lord about his people, from hence forth and for ever.*

7 Boeth. prof. ult. Manet spectator cunctorum desuper praescius deus, tonis praemia malis supplicia dispensans.

** Lib. de provid. voluptatem capiti di si quando magnos viros colluctantes cum calamitate vident.*

† Ecce spectaculum deo dignum. Vir fortis mala fortuna composuit.

2 1. Pet. 5. 7. Psal. 55. 22.

MEMB. 2.

Deformity of Body. Sicknesse. Basenesse of Birth, peculiar Discontents.

PArticular discontents & grievances, are either of Body, Minde, or Fortune, which as they wound the soule of man, produce this of melancholy, and many great inconueniences; by that Antidote of good counsell and perswasion they may be eased or expelled. Deformities and imperfections of our bodies, as lameness, crookednesse, deafenesse, blindness, bee they innate or accidentall, torture many men: yet this may comfort them, that those imperfections of the body doe not a whit blemish the soule, or hinder the operations of it, but rather helpe and much increase it. Thou art lame of body, deformed to the eye, yet this hinders not, but that thou maist be a good, a wise, vpright honest man. *Seldome*, saith *Plutarch*, *Honesty and Beauty dwell together*, and oftentimes vnder a threadbare coat, lies an excellent vnderstanding, *sapè sub attritâ latitat sapientia veste.* A silly fellowe to looke to, may haue more wit, learning, honesty, then hee that struts it out *Ampullis iactans*, &c. and is admired in the worlds opinion, *Vilis sapè cadus nobile nectar habet*, The best wine comes out of an old vessell. How many deformed Princes, Kings, Emperours, could I reckon vp, Philosophers, Orators; *Hannibal* had one eye, *Appius Claudius*, *Timoleon*, blind, *John King of Bohemia*, and *Tiresias* the Prophet. *The night hath his pleasures*, and for the losse of that one sense, such men are commonly recompensed in the other; they haue excellent memories, and other good parts, musick, and many recreations. Many Philosophers and Divines haue everted themselues, and put out their eyes voluntarily the better to contemplate. *Angelus Politianus* had a tetter in his nose continually running, fulsome in company, yet no man so eloquent and pleasing in his workes. *Asope* crooked, *Socrates* pur-

a Raro sub eodem laue honestas et forma habitant.

b Nox habet sua voluptates.

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blinde, long legged, hairy; *Democritus* withered, *Seneca* leane and harsh, vgly to behold, yet shew me so many flourishing wits, such divine spirits: *Horace* a little bleareyed contemptible fellow, yet who so sententious & wise? *Marcellius Ficinus*, *Faber Stapulensis*, a couple of dwarfs, * *Melancthon* a short hard fauored man, yet of incomparable parts all three. † *Ignatius Loiola* the founder of the Iesuits, by reason of an hurt he receaued in his legge, at the siege of *Pampelona* the chiefe towne of *Navarre* in *Spaine*, vnfit for warres and lesse seruiceable at Court, vpon that accident betooke himselfe to his beades, and by those meanes got more honour, then euer hee should haue done with the vse of his limmes, and propernesse of person, *Vulnus non penetrat animam*; a wound hurts not the Soule. *Galba* the Emperour was crookbacked, *Epictetus* lame, that great *Alexander* a little man of stature, *Augustus Caesar* of the same pitch. *Agesslaus despicabili formâ*, *Boccharis* a most deformed Prince as euer *Egypt* had; yet as † *Diodorus Siculus* records of him, in wisdom & knowledge farre beyond his predecessors. *Aº Dom. 1306*, *Vladislaus Cubitalis* that Pigmy king of *Poland* reigned, and fought more victorious battles, then any of his longshanked predecessors. *Nullam virtus respicit staturam*, Virtue refuseth no stature, and commonly your great vast bodies, and fine features, are sottish and dull, leaden spirits. What's in them?

* *Quid nisi pondus iners stolidæq; forocia mentis*, what in *Maximinus*, *Ajax*, *Caligula*, and the rest of those great heauy, vast, barbarous lubbers?

— *si membra tibi dant grandia Parce,*

Mentis eges? —

Their body, saith † *Lemnius*, is a burden to them, and their spirits not so lively, nor they so erect and merry: *Non est in magno corpore mica salis*: A little diamond is more worth then a rocky mountaine: Which made † *Alexander Aphrodisens* positiuely conclude, the lesser the wiser, because the Soule was more contracted in such a body. Let *Bodine* in his 5. cap. method. hist. plead the rest, the lesser they are, as in *Asia*, *Greece*, they haue generally the finest wits.

Sicknesse, diseases trouble many, but without a cause, & It may bee 'tis for the good of their soules. *Pars fati fuit*, the flesh rebels against the spirit; that which hurts the one, must needs helpe the other. Sicknesse is the mother of modesty, and putteth vs in minde of our mortality, and when we are in the full carcer of worldly pompe and iollity, she pulleth vs by the eare, and maketh vs know our selues. † *Pliny* calls it, the summe of Philosophy, If we could but performe that in our health, which we promise in our sicknesse. *Quum infirmi sumus, optimi sumus*, for what sick man (as † *Secundus* expostulates with *Rufus*) was euer lasciuious, conetous or ambitious: hee envies no man, admires no man, flatters no man, despiseth no man, listens not after lies and tales, &c. And were it not for such gentle remembrances, men would haue no moderation of themselves, they would be worse then *Tigers*, *Lions*: who should keepe them in awe? *Kings*, *Princes*, *Masters*, *Parents*, *Magistrates*, *Iudges*, *Friends*, *Enemies*, faire or foule meanes cannot containe vs, but a little sicknes, (as † *Chrysostome* obserues) will correct and amend vs. And therefore with good discretion, * *Iovianus Pontanus* caused this short sentence to be ingraven on his Tombe in *Naples*: *Labour, sorrow, griefe, sicknesse, want and woe,*

† *Iohachimus Camerarius vit. eius.*

‡ *Ribed. vit. eius*
‡ *Macrobius.*

† *Lib. 1. Corpore exili & despecto, sed ingenio & prudentia longe ante se reges ceteros preueniens*
‡ *Alexander Gaguinus hist. Polandie. Corpore paruum eram cubito vix altior vno, Sed tamen in paruo corpore magnus eram*
* *Ouid.*

‡ *Lib. 2. cap. 20. omni est illis corpora moles, & spiritus minus viridi.*

† *Corpore breues prudentiores quum coarctata sit anima.*
‡ *Multis ad salutem anime profuit corporis egritudo, Petrarb.*

‡ *Lib. 7. Summa est totius Philosophie, si tales, &c.*

† *Plinius epist. 7. lib. Quem infirmum libido sollicitat aut auaritia, aut honores: nemini invidet, nemini miratur, nemini despicit, sermone maligno non adestur.*

† *Non terret princeps, magister, parens, Iudex, at egritudo superveniens, omnia corrigit.*

* *Nat. Chytricus Europ. delitiis. Labor, dolor, egritudo, luctus, servare superbis dominis, angum ferre superstitiosis, quos habes charos sepelire, &c. condimenta vita sunt.*

to serue proud Masters, beare that superstitious yoke, & bury our dearest friends, &c. are the sawces of our life. If thy diseale be continuat and painfull to thee, it will not surely last: and a light affliction, which is but for a moment, causeth vnto vs a farre more excellent and eternall weights of glory, 2. Cor. 4. 17. beare it with patience: women indure much sorrow in child-bed, and yet they will not contain, and those that are barren, wish for this pain: be couragious, ¹ There is as much valour to bee shewed in thy bed, as in an army, or at a Sea-fight; aut vincetur, aut vincet, thou shalt be rid at last. In the meane time, let it take his course, thy minde is not any way disabled. *Bilibaldus Pirkimerus*, Senatour to *Charles the 5.* ruled all *Germany*, lying most part of his dayes sicke of the gout vpon his bed. The more violent thy torture is, the lesse it will continue: and though it be seuerer and hideous for the time, comfort thy selfe as *Mar-tyrs* doe, with honour and immortality. † That famous Philosopher *Epictetus*, being in as miserable paine of Stone and Collicke, as a man might endure, comforted himselfe with a conceipt of immortality, the ioy of his Soule for his rare Inventions, repelled the paine of his Body by torments.

Basenesse of birth is a great disparagement to some men, especially if they be wealthy, beare office, and come to promotion in a Common wealth, then (as ^k he obserues) if their birth be not answerable to their calling, and to their fellowes, they are much abashed and ashamed of themselves. Some scorne their owne father and mother, deny brothers and sisters, and the rest of their kindred and friends, and will not suffer them to come neere them, when they are in their pompe, accounting it a scandall to their greatnesse, to haue such beggerly beginnings. *Simon* in *Lucian*, hauing now got a little wealth, changed his name from *Simon*, to *Simonides*, because there were so many beggers of his kinne, and set the house on fire where he was borne, because no body should point at it. Others buy titles, and coates of Armes, and by all meanes skrew themselves into ancient families, falsifying pedegrees, vsurping Scutchions, and all because they would not seeme to be base. The reason is, for that this Gentility is so much admired by a cōpany of outsidēs, and so much honour attributed vnto it, as amongst ¹ *Germans*, *Frenchmen*, & *Venetians*, the Gentry scorne the Commonalty, and will not suffer them to match with them; they depresse, and make them as so many Asses, to carry burdens. In our ordinary talke and fallings out, the most opprobrious, and scurrile name we can fasten vpon a man, or first giue, is to call him base rogue, beggarly rascall, and the like: Whereas in my iudgement, this ought of all other grieuances to trouble men least, of all vanities and sopperies, to brag of Gentility is the greatest; for what is it they crake so much of, and challenge such superiority, as if they were demi-gods? Birth? it is, *non ens*: a meere flash, a ceremony, a toy, a thing of nought. Consider the beginning, present estate, progresse, ending of it, & then tell me what it is. ^m Oppression, fraud, cosening, vsury, knauery, baudry, murther, and tyranny, are the beginnings of many ancient families; ⁿ One hath beene a bloodsucker, a parricide, the death of many a silly soule in some vniust quarrels, seditions, made many an Orphan and poore widow, and for that he is made a Lord or an Earle; and his posterity Gentlemen for euer after. Another hath beene a Bawd, a Pander to some great man, a parasite, a flauē, ^o prostituted himselfe, his wife, daughter, to some lasciuious Prince, & for that he is exalted. *Tiberius* preferred many to honours in his time, because

¹ Non tam magnam prelio virtus, etiam lecto exhibetur. vincetur aut vincet, aut in febrem relinquetur, aut ipsa se. Seneca.

† *Tullius* lib. 7. fam. epist. Vesp. morbo laborans, & urine mittende difficultate tanta, ut vix incrementum caperet, repellebat haec omnia animi gaudium, ob memoriam inventorum.

^k *Boetius* lib. 2. prof. 4. Huic sensus exuperat, sed est pudori degener sanguis. ¹ *Gasser*. *Ens* polit. thes.

^m *Alij* pro pecunia emunt nobilitatem, alij illam lenocinio, alij enesicis, alij paritibus, multis perditio nobilitatem conciliat, pleriq; adulatione, detractio, calumniis, &c. *Agrippa* de vanis, scilicet.

ⁿ Ex homicidio saepe orta nobilitas, & strenua carnificina.

^o Plures ob prostitutis filiis uxores nobiles facti, multas venationes, rapinas, caedes, prestigia, &c.

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they were famous whore-masters, and sturdy drinkers; Many come into this row by flattery or cosening, search your old families, & you shall scarce find of a multitude (as *Aeneas Sylvius* obserues) *qui sceleratum non habent ortu*, That haue not a wicked beginning. They are commonly able that are wealthy, and vertue and riches seldome settle on one man: who then sees not the base beginning of Nobility? spoiles enrich one, usury another, treason a third, witchcraft a fourth, flattery a fift, lying, stealing, bearing false witnesse a sixt, adultery the seauenth, &c. One makes a foole of himselfe, to make his Lord merry, another dandles my yong master, a third marries a crackt piece, &c. Now may it please your good worship, your Lordship, who was the first founder of your family? The Poet answeres,

¶ *Aut Pastor fuit, aut illud quod dicere nolo.*

Are he or you the better Gentleman? If he, then we haue traced him to his forme. If you, what is it of which thou boastest so much? that thou art his sonne. Thy great great great grandfather was a rich citizen, and then in all likelihood an Usurer, a Lawyer, and then a Courtier, and then a Country Gentleman, and then he scraped it out of sheepe, &c. And you are the heire of all his vertues, fortunes, titles, so then, what is your gentry, but as *Hierom* saith, *Opes antique, in veterata diuitia*, ancient wealth; That is the definition of gentility. The Father goes often to the Diuell, to make his sonne a Gentleman For the present, what is it? It began (saith *Agrippa*) with strong impiety, with tyranny, oppression &c. and so it is maintained; wealth beganne it (no matter how got) wealth continueth and increaseth it. Those Roman Knights were so called, if they could dispend *per annum* so much. In the Kingdome of Naples, and France, he that buyes such lands, buyes the honor, title, Barony together with it, and they that can dispend so much amongst vs, must be called to beare office, to be Knights, or fine for it. And what now is the obiection of honour? what maintaines our Gentry but wealth?

¶ *Nobilitas sine re prociatã ualior algã,*

Without meanes Gentry is nought worth, nothing so contemptible and base. Disputare de nobilitate generis, sine diuitijs, est disputare de nobilitate stercoris, saith *Nevisanus* the Lawyer, to dispute of gentry without wealth, is (sauing your reuerence) to discusse the original of a Mard. So that it is wealth alone that denominates, mony which maintaines it, giues esse to it, for which euery man may haue it. And what is their ordinary exercise? wherein lyes their worth & sufficiency? If he can hawke & hunt, ride a horse, play at cards and dice, swagger, drinke, sweare, take Tobacco with a grace, sing, dance, weare his cloathes in fashion, court and please his mistris, talke big fustian, y insult, scorne, contemne others, and vse a litle mimickall and apish complement aboue the rest, he is a compleat, (*Egregiam uerò laudem*) a well-qualified Gentleman, these are most of their employments, this their greatest commendation. What is Gentry, Nobility then, but as *Agrippa* defines it, a sanctuary of knauey and naughtinesse, a cloake for wickednes and execrable vices, of pride, fraud, contempt, boasting, oppression, dissimulation, lust, gluttony, malice, fornication, adultery, ignorance, impiety. A Nobleman therefore in some likelihood, as he concludes, an Atheist, an oppressor, an Epicure, a gull, a disard, an illiterat idiot, an outside, a gloworme, a proud foole, an arrant asse. *Ventris & inguinis mancipium*, a slaue to his lust & belly, solâg libidine fortis.

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¶ Cum enim hos dici nobiles videmus, qui diuitijs abundant, diuitie uero ratio virtutis sunt somites, quis non uidit ortum nobilitatis degenerem? hunc usura diuunt, illum spolia, prodigionis, hic ueneficis ditatus, ille adulacionibus, hinc adulteria lucrum prebent, nonnullis mendacia, quidam ex coniuge questum faciunt, plerique ex natalibus.

¶ *Irren.*

¶ *Robusta improbitas, à tyrannide incepta, &c.*

¶ *Casper Ens thesauro polit.*

¶ *Hor.*

¶ *Syl. nup lib. 4. num 111.*

¶ *Omnium nobilium sufficiencia in eo probatur, si uenaticâ mouerint, si a eâ, si corporis uires ingentibus poculis commouent, si natura robur numeroso uenere probent, &c.*

¶ *Difficile est, ut non sit superbus diues. Augustin. ser. 24.*

¶ *Nobilitas nihil aliud nisi improbitas, furor, rapina, latrocinium, homicidium, luxus, uenatio, uolentia &c.*

¶ The foole rooke away my Lord in the maske, & was apposite.

And as *Salvianus* observed of his Countrymen the *Aquitanes* in France, *sicut titulis primi fuere, sic & vitijs*, we may generally conclude, the greater men, the more vicious. In fine, as † *Aeneas Sylvius* addes, *they are most part miserable, sottish, and filthy fellows, like the walles of their houses, faire without, foule within*. What doest thou vaunt of now? ^a what doest thou gape and wonder at? admire him for his braue apparell, horses, dogges, fine houses, manors, orchards, gardens, walks. why? a foole may bee possessor of this as well as he, and he that accompts him a better man a noble man for hauing of it, hee is a foole himselfe. Now goe and brag of thy gentility. This is it belike, which makes the *Turkes* at this day scorne nobility, and all those huffing bumbast titles, which so much elevate their poles: except it bee such as haue got it at first, or maintaine it by some supereminent quality, or excellent worth. And for this cause, the *Ragusian* Common wealth, *Switzers*, and the *United Provinces*, exclude all such degrees of hereditary honors, and will admit of none to beare office, but such as are learned, like those *Athenian Arcopagites*, wise, discreet, and well brought vp. The *Chinenses* obserue the same customes, no man amongst them noble by birth, out of their Philosophers and Doctors they chuse Magistrates, their politicke Nobles are taken from such as be *moderately nobiles*, vertuously noble, *nobilitas ut olim ab officio, non à natura*, as in *Israel* of old, & their office was to defend & gouerne their Country in war and peace, not to hawke, hunt, drinke, game, as too many doe. their *Loyssi, Manderini, literati, licentiati*, & such as haue raised theselues by their worth, are their Noblemen only, thought fit to gouerne a state, & why then should any that is otherwise of worth, bee ashamed of his birth? how much better is it to say, *Ego meis maioribus virtute praluxi*, to boast himself of his vertues, then of his birth? *Pertinax, Philippus Arabs, Maximinus, Probus, Aurelius, &c.* from common souldiers, became Emperours. *Cato, Cincinnatus, &c.* cōsuls. *Pius 2^o, Sixtus 3^o, Iohan. 2^o, Nicholas 3^o &c.* Popes. *Socrates, Virgil, Horace, libertino patre natus*. ^d The Kings of *Denmarke* fetch their pedegree, as some say, from one *Vlfo*, that was the sonne of a Beare. † *E tenui casâ sæpè vir magnus exit*, many a worthy man comes out of a poore Cottage. *Hercules, Romulus*, (*Alexander*, by *Olympia's* Confession) *Themistocles, Jugurtha*, King *Arture, William* the Conqueror &c. bastards, and almost in euery kingdome, the most ancient families haue bin at first Princes bastards, & their worthiest captaines, brauest spirits in all our *Annales*, haue bin base. * *Cardan* in his subtilities, gines a reason of it, why they are most part more able then others, in body and minde, and so *per consequens*, more fortunate. *Castrucci* *Castrucanus* a poore childe, found in the field, exposed to misery, became Prince of *Luke* and *Senes* in *Italy*, a most complete souldier, and worthy Captaine, *Machiavel* compares him to *Scipio* or *Alexander*. And 'tis a wonderful thing (saith he) to him that shall consider of it, that all those, or the greatest part of them, that haue done the brauest exploits heere vpon earth, and haue excelled the rest of the Nobles of their time, haue bene still borne in some abiect obscure place, or of base and obscure abiect Parents. I could recite a great Catalogue of the, euery Kingdome, euery Province will yeeld innumerable examples: and why then should baseness of birth bee objected to any man? who thinkes worse

† De miser. ciuial. Miseri sunt, inepti, inuit, turpes sunt, multi ut parietis addum suarum specios.

^a Miraris aureas vestes, equos, canes, ordines famulorum, villas, prædia, piscinas, sylvas, &c. hoc omnia stultus assequi potest. Pandulus noscitur lenocinio nobilitatus est. *Aeneas Sylvius*. ^b Bellonius obseru lib. 2.

Mat Riccius lib. 1 cap. 3. Ad regendum remp. soli doctores, aut licentiat adfiscuntur, &c.

^d Olaus Mag-nus lib. 18 Saxo Grammaticus. à quo rex Sue-no, & cetera Danorum regum stemmata

† Seneca de Ca-raro Philof. ep. * Corpore sine & anima fortiores spiritui, plerumq. ob amoris vehementiam, seminis crass.

^c Vita Castruc-cii. Nec præter rationem mirum videri debet, si quis rem considerare velit, omnes eos vel saltem maximam partem, qui in hoc terrarum

orbe res præstantiores aggressi sunt, atq. inter ceteros a vi sui heroes excelluerunt, aut obscuro, aut abiecto loco editos, & prognatos fuisse abiectis parentibus. Eorum ego Catalogum infinitum recensere possem. ^e Curtius.

of Tully for being *Arpinas* an vpstart? or *Agathocles* that *Sicilian* King, for being a Potters son? *Iphecrates* and *Marius* were meanelly borne. What wise man thinkes better of any man for his Nobility? To speake truth, as † *Bale* did of *P. Schalichius*, I more esteeme thy worth, learning, honesty, then thy Nobility, honor thee more that thou art a Writer, a Doctor of Divinity, then Earle of the *Hunnes*, Baron of *Skradine*, or title to such and such Provinces &c. Who doth not so indeed? *Abdolominus* was a Gardner, and yet by *Alexander* for his vertues, made King of *Syria*. How much better is it to be borne of mean Parentage, and to excell in worth, to be morally noble, which is preferred before that naturall nobility, by Diuines, Philosophers, and † Politicians, to be learned, honest, discreet, well qualified, to be fit for any manner of employment, in Country and Common-wealth, warre and peace, then to bee *Degeneres Neoptolemi*, as many braue Nobles are, only wise, because rich, otherwise idiots, illiterate, vnfit for any kinde of seruice. Thou hast had so many noble Ancestors, what is that to thee? *vix ea nostra uoco*, & when thou art a disard thy selfe, *quid prodest Pontice longo stemmate censei*? &c. I conclude, hast thou a sound Body, and a good Soule, good bringing vp, art thou vertuous, honest, well learned, well qualified, religious, are thy conditions good & thou art a true Noble man, perfectly noble, *non natus, sed factus*, noble *ἐξ ὧν*, † for neither sword, nor fire, nor water, nor sicknesse, nor outward violence, nor the diuell himselfe can take thy good parts from thee. Bee not ashamed of thy birth, thou art a Gentleman all the world ouer, and shalt bee honoured, when as hee, strip him of his fine cloathes, ^h dispossesse him of his wealth, is a funge, like a peece of coyne in another country, that no man will take, and shall be contemned.

Let no *terra filius*, or vpstart, insult at this which I haue saide, or worthy Gentleman take offence. I speake it not to detract from such as are well-deseruing, truely vertuous and noble: I do much respect and honour true Gentry and Nobility, I was borne of worshipfull Parents my selfe, in an ancient Family, but I am a yonger Brother, it concernes mee not: or had I bin some great Heire, richly endowed, so minded as I am, I should not haue beene elevated at all by it, but so esteemed of it, as of all other humane happinesse, honors &c. they haue their period, are brittle and vnconstant. As ⁱ hee said of that great riuer *Danubius*, it riseth from a small fountaine, a little brooke at first, sometimes broad, sometimes narrow, now slow, then swift, increased at last to an incredible greatnesse, by the confluence of 60. navigable Rivers, it vanisheth in conclusion, loseth his name, and is suddenly swallowed vp of the *Euxine* Sea: I may say of our greatest Families, they were mean at first, augmented by rich marriages, purchases, offices, they continue for some ages, with some little alteration of circumstances, fortunes, places, &c. by some prodigall sonne, for some default, or for want of issue, they are defaced in an instant, and their memory blotted out.

So much in the meane time I doe attribute to Gentility, that if he be well descended of worshipfull or noble Parentage, hee will expresse it in his conditions.

— *nec enim feroces*

Progenerant aquile columbam.

he will be more affable, courteous, gently disposed, of fairer carriage, better temper, of a more magnanimous, heroicall and generous spirit, then that

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† *Vi merito dicam, quod simpliciter sentiam Paulum Schalichium scriptorem, & doctorem, pluris facio quam comicem Humorum, & Baronem Skradinum, Encyclopadiam tuam, & orbem disciplinarum omnibus provinciis antefero. Baleus epist. nuncupat. ad sent. ultimam. script. Brit.*
† *Bodine de rep. lib. 3. cap. 8.*
ⁱ If children bee proud, haughty, foolish, they defile the nobility of their kindred, *Eccles. 22. 8.*

† *Cuius possessio nec furto eripi, nec incendio absumi, nec aquarum voragine absorberi, vel vi morbi destrui, vel ullâ exteriori violentiâ destrui potest.*

ⁿ Send them both to some strange place naked, ad ignorant, as *Arrippus* said, you shall see the difference. *Bacon's Essayes.*

ⁱ *Fluvius hic illustis, humanarum rerum Imago, que parvis ducta sub initio, in immensum crescunt, & subito evanescent. Exilis hic primò fluvius, in admirandam magnitudinem excrevit, tandem in mari Euxino evanescit. I. Stuckius peregr. max. Euxini.*

vulgi hominum, those ordinary Boores and Peasants, *qui adeo improbi, agrestes, & inculti plerumque sunt, ne dicam malitiosi, ut nemini ullum humanitatis officium præstent, ne ipsi Deo si advenerit*, as ^k one observes of them, a rude, brutish, vncivill, wilde, a currish generation, cruell and malicious, vncapable of discipline, and such as have scarce common sense. And it may be generally spoken of all, which ^l *Lemnius* the Physitian said of his travels into England, the common people were silly, fullen, dogged clownes, *sed mitior Nobilitas, ad omne humanitatis officium paratissima*, the Gentlemen were courteous & civill. If it so fall out (as often it doth) that such Peasants are preferred by reason of their wealth, chance, error, &c. or otherwise, yet as the Cat in the Fable, when she was turned to a faire maide, would play with mice; a Curre will be a Curre, a Clowne will be a Clowne, he will likely favour of the stock whence he came, and that innate rusticity can hardly bee shaken off. And though by their education, such men may be better qualified, and more refined; yet there be many symptomes, by which they may likely be descried, an affected phantastick carriage, a taylor-like sprucenesse, a peculiar garbe in all their proceedings; a beggars brat will be commonly more scornfull, imperious, insulting, insolent, then another man of his ranke: *Nothing so intolerable as a fortunate foole*, as [†] *Tully* said long since out of his experience.

Asperius nihil est humili cum surgit in altum.

set a beggar on horseback, and he will ride a gallop, a gallop, &c.

^m ——— *desavit in omnes*

Dum se posse putat, nec bellua servior ulla est,

Quam servi rabies in libera colla furentis,

he forgets what he was, domineeres &c. and many such other symptomes he hath, by which you may know him from a true Gentleman. Many errors & obliquities are on both sides, noble, ignoble, *factis, natis*, yet still in all callings, as some degenerate, some are well-deserving, and most worthy of their honors. And as *Busbequius* said of *Solyman* the magnificent, hee was *tanto dignus Imperio*, worthy of that great Empire. Many meanely descended, are most worthy of their honor, *politice nobiles*, and well deserve it. Many of our Nobility so borne, (which one said of *Hephestion*, *Ptolomæus*, *Seleucus*, *Antigonus* &c. and the rest of *Alexanders* followers, they were all worthy to be Monarches, and Generals of Armies) deserve to bee Princes. And I am so far forth of ^{*} *Sesellius* his minde, that they ought to be preferred (if capable) before others, *as being nobly borne, ingenuously brought up, and from their infancy trained to all manner of civility*. For learning and vertue in a Nobleman, is more eminent, & as a Jewell set in gold, is more pretious, & much to be respected; such a man deserves better then others, and is as great an honour to his family; as his noble family is to him. In a word, many Noblemen are an ornament to their order: many poore mens sonnes are singularly well endowed, most eminent, and well-deserving for their worth, wisdom, learning, vertue, valour, integrity, excellent members, and pillars of a Common-wealth. And therefore to conclude that which first I intended, to be base by birth, meanely borne, is no such disparagement. *Et sic demonstratur, quod erat demonstrandum.*

^k *Sabinus in 6. Ovid. Met. fab.*

^l *Lib. 1. de 40^r Complexionibus.*

[†] *Nihil fortunato inspiciente intolerabilius.*

^m *Claudii. lib. 9 in Entrop.*

^{*} *Lib. 1. de Rep. Gall. Quoniam & commodiore vivuntur conditione, & beneficio loconati, iam inde à parvulis ad morum civilitatem educati sunt, & assuescunt.*

Against Pouerty and want, with such other aduersity.

Nulla pauper-
tate grauius o-
nus.

Ne quis ire
diuine fu-
ditium putaret,
aut paupertas
exosa foret.

Gualter in cap.

2. ver. 18. Luca.

P Inter procures

Thebanos nu-

meratus, lectum

habuit genus,

frequem famuli-

tium, amicus

amplius &c. A.

paleus Flor. 1. 4.

P. Blesensis

epist. 72. & 23.

oblatus respui

honores, ex onere

metuens motus

ambitiosus, roga-

tus non iui &c.

Sudat pauper

foras in opere,

diues in cogita-

tione, hic os ape-

rit of citatione,

ille rullatione,

gravius ille fa-

stidio, quam hic

inedia cruciatur.

Bernard. ser.

In Hypercheren.

Natura equa

est, puerusq; vi-

denus mendic-

orum nulla ex

parte regum fi-

lyis dissimiles,

plerumq; sanio-

res.

Gallo. Tom. 2.

Et e contuber-

mo sedi atq; olidi

ventris mors

eandem educit.

Seneca ep. 103.

Divitiarum

sequela, luxus,

intemperies, ar-

rogantia, super-

bia, furor, iniustus

omnisq; irratio-

nabilis motus.

Iuven. Sat. 6.

Saturn. epist.

ONE of the greatest miseries that can befall a man, in the Worlds e-
steem, is Pouerty or want, which makes men steal, beare false witnes,
sweare, forswear, contend, murder & rebell, which breaketh sleepe,
and causeth death it selfe. *ἄνθρωπος ἐστὶν ὁ πτωχὸς*, no burden (saith
Menander) so intolerable as Pouerty: it makes men desperate, it creates &
deiects, *census honores, census amicitias*, mony makes, but this marres &c. and
all this in the worlds esteeme: yet if it be considered aright, it is a great bles-
sing in it selfe, a happy estate, and yeelds no such cause of discontent, or that
men should therefore, accompt themselves vile, miserable, vnfortunate.
CHRIST himselfe was poore, borne in a manger, and had not a house to
hide his head in all his life, *lest any man should make Pouerty a iudgement of*
God, or an edious estate. And as he was himselfe, so he informed his Apostles
and Disciples, they were all poore, Prophets poore, Apostles poore. *Acts 3.*
Siluer and gold haue I none. As sorrowing (saith Paul) and yet alway reioycing,
as hauing nothing, and yet possessing all things, 1 Cor. 6. 10. All your great Phi-
losophers haue bin voluntary poore, not onely Christians, but all the rest.
Crates Thebanus was adored for a god in Athens, *a noble man by birth, ma-*
ny seruants he had, and honorable attendance, much wealth, many manors, fine
apparell; but when he saw that all this, all the wealth of the world was but brit-
tle, uncertaine, and no whit auailing to liue well, hee slung his burden in the
Sea, and renounced his estate. Those Curij and Fabritij will be for euer renow-
ned for contempt of these fopperies, wherewith the world is so much affe-
cted. Amongst Christians I could reckon vp many Kings and Queenes, that
haue forsaken their Crownes and Fortunes, and wilfully abdicated them-
selves from these so much esteemed toyes, & many that haue refused honors,
titles, and all this vaine pompe and happinesse, which others so ambitiously
seekke, and carefully study to compasse and attaine.

But conferre both estates, for naturall parts they are both alike; and a
beggars Childe, as Cardan well obserues, *is no whit inferiour to a Princes,*
most part better; & for those accidents of fortune, it will easily appeare, there
is no such oddes, no such extraordinary happines in the one, or misery in
the other. He is rich, wealthy, fat, what gets he by it? pride, insolency, lust, am-
bition, cares, feares, suspicion, trouble, anger, emulation, and many filthy dis-
eases of body and minde. He hath indeed variety of dishes, better fare, sweete
wine, pleasant sawce, dainty musicke, gay cloathes, &c. and all that which
Misyllus admired in Lucian, but with the he hath the gowt, dropsies, Apo-
plexies, palsies, stone, pox, rheumes, catarrhes, crudities, oppilations, & Melan-
choly &c. lust enters in, anger, ambitio, according to Chrysostome, *the sequele*
of riches is pride, riot, intemperance, arrogancy, fury, and all irrational courses.

† turpi fragerunt sacula luxus

Divitia molles

with their variety of dishes, many such
maladies of body and minde get in, which the poore man knowes not of.
As Saturne in Lucian, made answer to the poore commonalty, (which

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because of their neglected Saturnall Feasts in Rome, made a grievous complaint and exclamation against the rich men) that they were much mistaken in supposing such happines in riches, *you see the best* (said he) *but you know not their seuerall gripings and discontents: they are like painted walles, faire without, rotten within, diseased, filthy, crasy, full of intemperances: effects, And who can reckon halfe, if you but know their feares, cares, anguish of minde & vexation, to which they are subiect, you would hereafter renounce all riches.*

† *O si pateant pectora diuitum,*

Quantos intus sublimis agit,

Fortuna metus? Brutia Coro

Pulsante fretum mitior unda est.

O that their breasts were but conspicuous,

How full of feare within, how furious?

The narrow Seas are not so boisterous.

Yea, but he hath the world at will that is rich, the good things of the Earth, *susue est de magno tollere acervo*, hee is a happy man, & adored like a god, a Prince, euery man seeks to him, applaudes, honors, admires him. He hath honors indeed, abundance of all things; but (as I said) withal ^a *pride, lust, anger, emulation, feares, cares, suspicion enter with his wealth*, for his intemperance he hath aches, crudities, gowts, and all manner of diseases: *pecunijs augetur improbitas*, the wealthier, the more dishonest. ^b *He is exposed to hatred, envy, perill, and treason, feare of death, of degradation &c.* and the higher he climes, the greater is his fall. -- ^c *celsa graviore casu*

Decidunt turres, feriuntq. summos,

Fulgura montes

the Lightning commonly sets on fire the highest towres, ^d *in the more eminent place he is, the more subiect to fall.*

Rumpitur innumeris arbor uberrima pomis,

Et subito nimie precipitantur opes.

As a tree that is heauy laden with fruit, breakes her own boughes, with their owne greatnesse they ruine themselves: which *Ioachimus Camerarius* hath elegantly expressed in his 13. Embleme cent. 1. *Inopem se copia fecit.* Their meanes is their misery, they fat themselves like so many hogges, as ^{*} *Aneas Sylvius* obserues, that when they are full fed, they may be deuoured by their Princes, as *Seneca* by *Nero* was serued, and *Seianus* by *Tiberius*. I resolute with *Gregory* *potestas culminis, est tempestas mentis*, & *quod dignitas altior, casus grauior*, honor is a tempest, the higher they are eleuated, the more grievously depressed. For the rest of his prerogatiues, which wealth affords, as he hath more, his expences are the greater, *when goods increase, they are increased that eat them, and what good commeth to the owners, but the beholding thereof with their eyes*, *Ecclus 4. 10.*

^{*} *Millia framenti tua triuerit area centum,*

Non tuus hinc capiet venter plus quam meus.

an euill sicknesse *Salomon* calls it, & reserved to them for an euill, 12 vers. They that will be rich, fall into many feares and temptations, into many foolish & noisome lusts, which drowne men in perdition, 1 Tim. 6. 9. gold and siluer hath destroyed many, *Ecclus 8. 2. diuitie seculi sunt laquei diaboli*: so writes *Bernard*, worldly wealth is the diuels baite. And therefore *S^c James* bids them, weepe and howle for the miseries that shall come vpon them, their gold shall rust and

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canker,

^{*} *Vos quidem diuites putatis felices, sed nescitis eorum miseria;*

^y *Et quota pars hec eorum que istos discruciat, se noscetis metus & curas, quibus obnoxij sunt, plane fugiendas vobis diuitias existimauitis.*
† *Seneca in Herc. Oeteo.*

^a *Et dijs similes stulta cogitatio facit.*

^a *Flamma simul libidinis ingreditur, ira, furor, & superbia, diuitiarum sequela.*
Chrys.

^b *Omnium oculis, odio in fideis exposuit, semper sollicitus, fortune ludibrium.*

Hor. od. 2. l. 10

^d *Quid me feliciem toties iactastis amici, Qui cecidit stabili non suis ille loca.* *Boeth.*

^{*} *Vt postquam impingui sunt fuerint, deuorentur.*

^{*} *Hor.*

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Cap. 6. de curat. grec. affect. cap. de providentia. quotiescunq; divitijs affluentem hominem videmus, eumq; pessimum, ne quæso hunc beatissimum putemus, sed infelicem censeamus &c.

Hor. lib. 2.

canker, and eat their flesh as fire, James 5. 1. 2. 3. J may then boldly conclude with Theodoret, quotiescunq; divitijs affluentem, &c. As often as you shall see a man abounding in wealth, and naught withall, I beseech you call him not happy, but esteeme him unfortunate, because he hath many occasions offered to live unjustly: on the other side, a poore man is not miserable, if he be good, but therefore happy, that those evil occasions are taken from him.

Wherein now consists his happines, or what priuiledges hath hee more then other men? or rather what miseries, what cares and discontents hath he not more then other men?

Non enim gaze, neq; consularis
Summorum licet miseris tumultus
Mentis, & curas laqueata circum

Tecta volantes.

Nor treasures, nor Mayors officers remove

The miserable tumults of the minde:

Or cares that lye about, or flye about

Their high roof'd houses, with huge beames combinde.

Tis not his wealth can vindicate him, sint Crassi & Crassi licet, non hos Paetus aureas undas agens, eripiet unquam e miseris, Crassus or rich Crassus cannot now command health, or get himselfe a stomach. His worship, as Apuleius describes him, in all his plenty and great provision, is forbidden to eate, or els hath no appetite, when as in the meane time, all his household are merry, and the poorest servant that he keepes, doth continually feast. Tis Bracteara felicitas, as Seneca termes it, tin-foyl'd happinesse, if it be happines at all. His golde and guard, and clattering of harneis, and fortifications against outward enemies, cannot free him from inward feares and cares.

Florid. lib. 4.
Dives ille cibo interdicitur, & in omni copia sua cibum non accipit, cum interea totum eius servitium bilare sit, atq; epulatur Epist. 115.

Revera q; metus hominum, cura q; sequaces
Nec metuunt fremitus armorum, aut ferrea tela,
Audacter q; inter reges, regumq; potentes
Versantur, neq; fulgorem reuerentur ab auro.

Indeed men still attending cares and feares,

Nor armors clashing, nor fierce weapons feare:

With Kings converse they boldly, and Kings Peeres,

Fearing no flashing that from gold appeares.

Looke how many servants hee hath, and so many enemies he suspects, for liberty he entertaines ambition, his pleasures are no pleasures, and that which is worst, he cannot be priuate, or enioy himselfe as other men doe, his state is a servitude. A country man may trauell from kingdome to kingdome, Province to Province, Citty to Citty, and glut his eyes with delightfull objects, hauke and hunt, and vse al ordinary disports, without any notice taken, all which a Prince or a great man cannot doe. A poore man takes more delight in an ordinary meales meat, which he hath but now and then, the they doe with all their exoticke dainties and continuall Viandes, Quippe voluptatem commendat rarior usus, tis the rarity that makes a thing acceptable and pleasant. All excessse as Epictetus argues, will cause a dislike, sweet will bee sower, which made Epicurus sometimes voluntarily fast. But they being alwaies accustomed to the same dishes, (which are nastely dressed by slouenly cookes, that after their obscenities, neuer wash their hands) bee they fish,

Hor. & mihi curto ire licet multo vel si libet vsq; Tarentum. Si modum excesseris suauissima sunt molesta Et in cupidys gula, cocus & pueri illotis manibus ab exoneratione ventris omnia tractant &c. Cardan. l. 8. cap. 46. de rerum varietate.

flesh,

flesh, or whatsoeuer else, are therefore cloyed, *Nectar* it selfe growes loathsome to them, they are weary of all their fine pallaces, they are to them but as so many prisons. A poore man drinke in a wooden dish, & eats his meat in wooden spoones, wooden platters, earthen Vessels, & such homely stuffe: the other in gold, siluer, and precious stones, but with what successe? *in auro bibitur venenum*, feare of poyson in the one, security in the other. A poore man is able to write, to speake his minde, to doe his owne busines himselfe, *locuples mittit parasitum*, saith * *Philostratus*, a rich man imployes a parasite, and as the Maior of a Citty speakes by the Towne-clerke, or by Mr *Recorder* when he cannot expresse himselfe. † *Noxius* the Senator hath a purple cote as stiffe with iewels, as his minde is full of vices, rings on his fingers worth 20000 sesterces, and as * *Perox* the Persian King, an vnion in his care worth 100^l waight of Gold: † *Cleopatra* hath whole boares and sheep serued vp to her table at once, drinks iewels dissolued worth 40000 sesterces, but to what end.

o *Num tibi cum fauces vrit sitis, aurea quaris Pocula?* — Doth a man that is a dry desire to drinke in gold? Doth not a cloath sute become him as well, and keep him as warme, as all their silkes, sattins, damasks, taffaties, and tissues? What's the difference? one's sicke, the other sound: such is the whole tenor of their liues, and that which is the consummation & vphlot of all, death it selfe. The rich man liues like *Dives*, louially here on earth, *temulentus diuitijs*, makes the best of it; and boasts himselfe in the multitude of his riches, *Psalm. 49. & 11.* hee thinks his house called after his owne name, shall continue for euer, but he perisheth like a beast, *vers. 20.* his way vtters his folly, *vers. 13.* *male parta, male dilabuntur, like sheepe they lie in the Graue, 14. Puncto descendunt ad infernum.* For all his Physitians & medicines inforcing nature, a sowning wife, families complaints, friends teares, Dirges, Masses, *nenia's*, funerals, for all Orations, counterfeited hired acclamations, eulogiums, Epitaphes, herfes, blacke mourners, solemnities, obelisks, and *Mausolean* tombes, if he haue them at least, he dies like a hog, goes to hel with a guilty conscience, and many a poore mans curse: his memory stinkes like the snuffe of a candle when it is put out, scurrile libels, and infamous obloquies accompany him. When as poore *Lazarus* is *Dei sacrarium*, the Temple of God, liues and dies in true deuotion, hath no more attendants, but his owne innocency, the heauen a tombe, desires to be dissolued, buried in his mothers lap, and hath a company of ⁿ Angells ready to convey his soule into *Abrahams* bosome, hee leaues an euermlasting and a sweet memory behinde him. *Crassus* and *Sylla* are indeed still recorded, but not so much for their wealth, as for their victories: *Cræsus* for his end, *Solomon* for his wisdom. In a word, * *to get wealth is a great trouble, anxiety to keepe, greefe to lose it.*

But consider all those other vnknowne, concealed happineffes, which a poore man hath (I call them vnknowne, because they be not acknowledged in the worlds esteeme, or so taken) O fortunatos nimium bona si sua norint: happy they are in the meane time if they would take notice of it, or make vse, or apply it to themselues. A poore man wise is better then a foolish King, *Eccl. 4. 13.* o Poverty is the way to heauen, the mistress of Philosophy, the mother of religion, vertue, sobriety, sister of innocency, and an vpright mind. How many such ^q encomions might I adde out of the Fathers, Philosophers, Orators. It troubles many that they are poore, and they account of it as a great

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* *Epist.*† *Plinius lib. 57*

cap. 6.

* *Zonaras, 3.*

annal.

† *Plutarch. vit.*

eius.

o *Hor. Ser. lib. 1*

Sat. 2.

m *Ad generum*
Cereris sine ceda
& sanguine pauci
Descendunt
reges, & sicca
*morie tyranni.*a God shall
deliuer his
soule from the
power of the
grau. *Psalm. 49.*

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* *Contempl. Id.*
or. cap. 37. diu
tiarum acquisi
tio magni laboris,
possessio magni
timoris, amissio
*magni doloris*o *Austin in Ps.*
76. omnis Philo
sophie magistra,
ad celum via.† *Bone mentis*
*soror paupertas.*q *Padazoga pi*
etatis, sobria, pia
mater, cultu im
plex, habitu se
cuta, consilio be
nefrada. Apule
ius.

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disgrace, a shame and a reproach, but to whom, or why? *If fortune hath en-
vied me wealth, the eues haue robbed me, my father haue not left me such reve-
newes as others haue, that I am a younger brother, basely borne, am I there-
fore to be blamed? an Eagle, a Bull, a Lion is not reiected for his poverty, & why
should a man? 'Tis * fortuna telum non culpa, fortunes fault not mine. Good S^r
I am a servant (to vie† Seneca's words) howsoeuer your poore friend, a servant,
and yet your chamber fellow, and if you consider better of it, your fellow servant.
I am thy drudge in the worlds eyes, yet in Gods sight peradventure thy bet-
ter, my soule is more pretious and I dearer vnto him. Thou art an Epicure, I
am a good Christian: Thou art many paraanges before me in meanes, fauor,
honor, but a word ouershot, a blowe in choler, a game at tables, a losse at
sea, a sudden fire, the Princes dislike, a little sicknesse, &c. may make vs equall
in an instant; howsoeuer take thy time, triumph and insult a while, cinis e-
quat, as * Alphonsus said, death will make vs equall at last. I liue sparingly, in
the meane time, am clad homely, fare hardly, is this a reproach? am I the
worse for it? am I contemptible for it? am I to bee reprehended? A learned
man in^t Neuisanus was taken downe for sitting amongst Gentlemen, but he
replied, my nobility is about the Head, yours declines to the tayle, and they were
silent. Let them mocke, scoffe and revile, 'tis not thy scorne, but his that
made thee so. He that mocketh the poore, reproacheth him that made him. Prou.
11.5. and he that reioyceth at affliction, shall not be unpunished. For the rest,
the poorer thou art, the happier thou art, ditior est & non melior, saith * Epi-
ctetus, he is richer, not better then thou art, nor so free from lust, envy, hatred
ambition. *Beatus ille qui procul negotijs
Paternâ rura bobus exercet suis.**

Happy he, in that he is ^u freed from the tumults of the world, hee seekes no
honours, gapes after no preferment, flatters not, envies not, temporizeth
not, but liues priuately, and well contented with his estate,

*Nec spes corde auidas, nec curam pascit inanem
Securus quò fata cadunt,*

He is not troubled with successions, feare of invasions, factions, emulations,

** Felix ille animi, diuisq; simillimus ipsis,
Quem non mordaci resplendens gloria fuco
Sollicitat, non fastosi mala gaudia luxus,
Sed tacitos sinit ire dies, & paupere cultu
Exigit innocue tranquilla silentia vita.*

An happy Soule, and like to God himselfe,
Whom not vaine glory macerates or strife,
Or wicked ioyes of that prowd swelling pelfe,
But leads a still, poore and contented life.

A secure, quiet, & happy state hee hath, if he could but acknowledge it. But
here is the misery, that he will not take notice of it, hee repines at rich mens
wealth, braue hangings, dainty fare, as * Simonides obiected to Hieron, hee
hath all the pleasures of the world, and it troubles him that he hath not the
like; there is a difference (he grumbles) betweene Laplolly and Pheasants, to
tumble ith' the strawe and lye in a downe bedde, betwixt wine and water, a
cottage and a pallace. He hates nature (as * Pliny characterizeth him) that she

excesserat, rure suo contentus. Valer. lib. 1. cap. 7. * Hor. — hec est Vita solutorum miserâ ambitione, graviq; * Presar. lib. 7. Odis
naturam quòd infra deos sit, irascitur dy's quòd quis illi antecedit.

* Cardan. Op-
probrium non
est paupertas:
quod latro cri-
pit, aut pater nò
reliquit cur mihi
vitio daretur?
si fortuna divi-
tias invidit, non
aquile, non, &c.
† Tully.

† Epist. 74. ser-
uus sum mi ho-
mo servus sum
inmo contuber-
nalis, servus sum
at humilis ami-
cus, immò con-
servus si cogita-
veris.

* Panormitan.
rebus gestis,
Alph.

† Lib. 4. num.
218. quidam de-
prehensus quod
federet loco no-
bilitum, mea no-
bilitas ait, est
circa caput, ve-
stra declinat ad
caudam.

* Tanto beatior
es, quanto colle-
ctior.
u Non amori-
bus inseruit, non
appetit honores,
& qualitercūq;
relictus satis ha-
bet, hominem se
esse meminit,
invidet nemini,
neminem despi-
cit, neminem mi-
ratur, sermoni-
bus malignis nò
attendit aut ali-
tur. Plinius.

* Politianus in
Rustico.

† Gyges regno
Lydie inflatus
suscitatum mi-
sit Apollinem
an quis morta-
lium se felicior
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perum Apol-
lo pretulit, qui
sermone agri
sui nunquam

excesserat, rure suo contentus. Valer. lib. 1. cap. 7. * Hor. — hec est Vita solutorum miserâ ambitione, graviq; * Presar. lib. 7. Odis
naturam quòd infra deos sit, irascitur dy's quòd quis illi antecedit.

* Politianus in
Rustico.

hath

hath made him lower then a God, and is angry with the Gods, that any man goes before him. And although he hath receaued much, yet (as *Seneca* follows it) he thinks it an iniury, that he hath no more, and is so farre from giuing thanks for his tribuneship, that he complaines he is not *Prætor*, neither doth that please him, except he may be *Consull*. Why is he not a Prince, why not a Monarch, why not an Emperour? Why should one man haue so much more then another, one haue all, another nothing? one surfeit another starue, one liue at ease, another labour, without any hope of better fortune? Thus they grumble, mutter & repine: Not considering that inconstancy of humane affaires, or iudicially conferring one condition with another, or well waighing their owne present estate. What they are now, thou maist shortly bee, and what thou art they shall likely be. Expect a little, conferre future and times past with the present, and see the event, comfort thy selfe with it. It is as well to bee discerned in Commonwealths, Citties, Families, as in priuate mens estates. *Italy* was once Lord of the world, *Rome* the Queene of Citties vaunted her selfe of two *†*myrriades of inhabitants, now that all commanding country is possessed by petty Princes; * *Rome* a smal Village in respect. *Greece* of old the seat of all civility, mother of sciences and humanity, now forlorne the nurse of Barbarisme, a den of theeues. *Germany* then, saith *Tacitus*, was incult and horrid, now full of magnificent Citties: *Athens*, *Corinth*, *Carthage*, how flourishing Citties, now buried in their owne ruines: *Venice* a poore fishertowne, *Paris*, *London*, small Cottages, in *Cæsars* time, now most noble *Emporiums*. *Valois*, *Plantagenet* & *Scaliger* how fortunate families, how likely to continue? Now quite extinguished and rooted out. Hee stands aloft to day, full of fauour, wealth, honour, and prosperity, in the top of fortunes wheele, to morrowe in prison, worse then nothing, his son's a beggar. Thou art a poore seruile drudge, *Fax populi*, a very slaue, thy sonne may come to be a Prince, with *Maximinus*, *Agathocles*, &c. a Senator, a Generall of an Army; Thou standest bare to him now, workest for him, drudgest for him and his, takest an almes of him, stay but a little, and his next heire peradventure shall consume all with riot, be degraded, thou exalted, and he shall begge of thee. Thou shalt bee his most honorable Patron, hee thy devout seruant, his posterity shall runne, ride, and doe as much for thine, as it was with *†**Erigo* *Bald* and *Cromwell*, it may bee for thee. Cittizens deuoure country Gentlemen, and settle in their seats, after two or three descents, they consume all in riot, it returnes to the City again. A Lawyer buyes out his poore Client, after a while his Clients posterity buy out him and his; so things goe round. *Ergo terrena calcanda, sitienda caelestia*. Therefore I say scorne this transitory state, look vp to heauen, think not what others are, but what thou art. * *Quâ parte locatus es in re?* & what thou shalt be, what thou maist be. yea but their present estate crucifies and torments most mortall men, they haue no such forecast, to see what may be, what shall likely be, but what is, *hoc angit*, their present misfortunes grind their soules, and an enuious eye that they cast vpon other mens prosperities, *Vicinumq; pecus grandius vber habet*, how rich, how fortunate, how happy is he? but in the meane time hee doth not consider the others miseries, his infirmities of body and minde, that accompany his estate, but still reflects vpon his false conceaued woes and wants, whereas if the matter were duely examined, ^b he is in no distresse at all, hee hath no

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† De Ira, cap. 3. lib. 3. E: si multum accepit, iniuriam putat: plura non accepisse, non agit pro tribunatu gratias, sed queritur quod non sit ad peritiam perditus. neq; hoc gratia si desit conlaim.

† Lipsius admir.

* Of some 90000 inhabitants.

† Read the story at large in *John Fox* his Acts and Monuments.

* *Persius*

^b *Omnes diuites qui cælo et terrâ frui possunt.*

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cause to complaine.

—^c tolle querelas,*Pauper enim non est cui rerum suppetit usus.*

he is not poore, he is not in need. ^d Nature is content with bread and water, and he that can rest satisfied with that, may contend with Iupiter himselfe for happinesse. Iacob desired no more of God but bread to eat, and cloathes to put on in his journey, Gen. 28. 20. *Bene est, cui deus obtulit, Parca quod satis est manu*, bread is enough, ^e to strengthen the heart. And if you study Philosophy aright, faith ^f *Maudarensis*, whatsoeuer is beyond this moderation, is not usefull, but troublesome. ^g *Agellius* out of *Euripides*, accounts bread and water enough to satisfie nature, of which there is no surfeit, the rest is not a feast, but riot. ^h *St Hierome* esteemes him rich, that hath bread to eat, and a potent man that is not compelled to be a slave: hunger is not ambitious, so that it haue to eat, and thirst doth not preferre a cup of gold. It was no Epicurean speech of an Epicure, he that is not satisfied with a little, will neuer haue enough. And very good counsell of him in the ⁱ Poet. *O my sonne mediocrity of meanes agrees best with men, too much is pernicious.*

*Diuitia grandes homini sunt vivere parca,**Aquo animo,*And if thou canst be content, thou hast abundance, *nihil est, nihil deest*, thou hast little, thou wantest nothing.ⁱ *Si ventri bene, si lateri, pedibusq; tuis, nil**Diuitie poterunt regales addere manus.*

If belly, sides and feet be well at ease,

A Princes treasure can thee no more please.

'Tis thy want alone that keepes thee in health of body & mind, & that which thou persecuest and abhorrest as a ferall plague, is thy Physitian and ^k chiefest friend, Which makes thee a good man, a sound, a vertuous, an honest, an happy man. For when *Vertue* came from heauen (as the Poets faigne) rich men kicked her vp, wicked men abhor'd her, Courtiers scoffed at her, Cittizens hated her, ^{*} and that she was thrust out of doores in every place, shee came at last to her Sister Pouerty, where shee found good entertainment. Poverty and vertue dwell together. — *o vite suta facultas*

*Pauperis, angustiq; lares, o munera nondum**Intellecta deum.*

how happy art thou if thou couldst but be content. Godlinesse is great gaine, if a man can be content with that which he hath, ^r *Tim. 6. 6.* And all true happiness is in a meane estate. I haue a little wealth, as he said, ^m *sed quas animus magnas facit*, a kingdome in conceit. — ⁿ *nihil amplius opto*

Maiâ nate, nisi ut propria hac mihi munera faxis.

I haue enough, and desire no more. ^{*} *Vestem & fortunam concinnam*, potius quam laxam probo, let my fortune and my garments be both alike fit for mee. And which [†] *Sebastian Foscarinus* sometime Duke of Venice, caused to be engrauen on his Tombe in *St Markes Church*; *Heare O yee Venetians, and I wil tell you which is the best thing in the world: To contemn it.* I wil engraue it in my heart, it shal be my whole study to contemne it. Let them take wealth *Stercora stercus amet*, so that I may haue security, *bene qui latuit, bene vixit*, though I liue obscure, ^o yet I liue cleane and honest, and when as the lofty

^c Hor. lib. i. ep. 12.^d Seneca epist. 15.

panem &

aquam natura

desiderat, & hec

qui habet, ipso

cum Ioue de se-

licitate contem-

dat, Cibus sim-

plex famem se-

dat vestis tenuis

frigus arceat.

Sen. epist. 3.

^e Psal. 84.^f Si recte philo-

sophemini, quic-

quid aptam mo-

derationem su-

pergreditur, one-

ri potius quam

usui est.

^g Lib. 7. 16.

Cereris munus

& aque pocu-

lum mortales

querunt habere,

& quorum sati-

es nunquam est;

luxus autem

sunt cetera, non

epule.

^h Satis est diues

qui pace non in-

diget, nimium

potens qui serui-

re non cogitar.

Ambitiosa non

est fames &c.

[†] Euripides Mo-

nolipp. O fili

mediocres diui-

tie hominibus

conuenient, ni-

mia verò moles

pernitiosa est.

ⁱ Hor.^k O noctes ce-

neq; deum.

^{*} Per mille

fraudes doctosq;

dolos eijcitur, a-

pud sociam pau-

pertatem eiusq;

cultores diuer-

sims in eorum si-

nu, & tutelâ de-

litiatur.

[†] Apuleius.[†] Lucan.^m Lipsius miscell. ep. 40.ⁿ Sat. 6. lib. 2.^{*} Chytrius in Europe delitijs.

Accipite ciues Veneti quod est optimum in rebus humanis, res

humanas contemnere.

^o Vah vivere etiam nunc lubet, as Damea said Adelpb. Act. 4. quam multis non ego, quam multa non des-

dero, et Socrates in pompâ, ille in munditijs.

Oke

Oake is blowne downe, the silly reed may stand. Let them take honour, so that I may haue hearts ease. *Duc me O iuppiter & tu fatum, * &c.* Lead mee O God whether thou wilt, I am ready to follow, command I will obey. I doe not envy at their wealth, titles, offices, *Perimus fortasse* (as hee comforted himselfe) *quando illi non erunt*, when they are dead and gone, and all their pompe vanished, our memory may flourish. Let him bee my Lord, Patron, Baron, Earle, & possesse so many goodly Castles, 'tis well for mee & that I haue a poore house, and a litle wood, and a Well by it, &c.

Hic me consolator victurum suavius ac si

Questor avus pater atq; meus patruusq; fuissent.

Illue I thanke God as merrily as he, and triumph as much in this my meane estate, as if my father and vnkle had beene Lord Treasurer, or my L. Maior. He feeds of many dishes, I haue one, *qui Christum curat, non multum curat quam de pretiosis cibus stercus conficiat*, what care I of what stufte my excrements be made? He that liues according to nature, cannot be poore, and he that exceeds, can neuer haue enough, *totus non sufficit orbis*, the whole world cannot giue him content. A small thing that the righteous hath, is better then the riches of the vngodly, *Psal. 37. 16.* and better is a poore morsell with quietnesse, then abundance with strife, *Prov. 17. 7.*

Be content then, enioy thy selfe: and as *Chrysostome* adviseth, be not angry for what thou hast not, but giue God hearty thanks for what thou hast receaued.

† *Si dat oluscula*

Mensa minuscula

pace referta,

Nepete grandia,

Lautaq; prandia

lite repleta.

But what wantest thou to expostulate the matter? Or what hast thou not better then a rich man? health, children, security, sleepe, friends, liberty, diet, apparell, and what not, and that which I am sure he wants, a merry heart. *Pas- sing by a village in the Territory of Millan, saith S^r Austin, I saw a poore beggar that had got belike his belly full of meat, jesting & merry, I sighed and said to some of my friends that were then with me, what a deale of trouble, madnesse, paine, and grieve doe wee sustaine and exaggerate vnto our selues, to get that secure happinesse, which this poore beggar hath preuented vs of, and which wee peradventure shall neuer haue. For that which hee hath now attained with the begging of some small peeces of siluer, a temporall happinesse, and present hearts ease, I cannot compasse with all my carefull windings, and running in and out. * And surely the beggar was very merry, but I was heavy: hee was secure, but I timorous. And if any man should aske me now, whether I had rather bee merry, or still so sollicitous and sad, I should say, merry. If he should aske me againe, whether I had rather be as I am, or as this beggar was, I should sure choose to bee as I am, tortured still with cares and feares, but out of peeuishnesse, and not out of truth. That which S. Austin said of himselfe here in this place, I may truely say to thee, thou discontented wretch, thou couetous niggard, thou churle, thou ambitious and swelling toad, 'tis not want but peeuishnes which is the cause*

* *Epietus. 77^o cap. quò sum de- sinatus, & se- quar alacriter.*

† *Puicarius ep. 62. 2 Hoc erat in votis, modus a- gri non ita par- uis Hortus ubi Et tello, vicinus iugis, aqua fons, & paulum silue &c. Hor. Sat. 6. lib. 2. Ser.*

* *Hieronym. Seneca consil. ad Albiuum cap. 11. qui continet se intra nature limites, pauper- tatem non sen- tit, qui excedit, eum in opibus paupertas sequi- tur.*

* *Hom. 12. pro his que accepisti gratias age, noli indignari pro his que non accepi- sti.*

† *Nat. Chytreus delictis Europa. Gusioni in ad- bus Huiianis in canaculo è re- gione mense.*

* *Quid non ha- bet melius pau- per quam diues, vitam, valetudi- nem, cibum, somnum, liber- tatem, &c. Car- dan.*

* *Confess. lib. 6. Transiens per vicum quendam Mediolanensem, animadverti pauperem quen- dam mendicum, iam credo satu- rum, iocantem atq; ridentem, et ingemui & lo- quutus sum cum amicis qui mecum erant, &c.*

* *Et certè ille*

letabatur, ego anxius, securus ille, ego trepidus. Et si percontaretur me quispiam an exultare mallet, an metuere, responderem exultare & frivolum interrogaret, an ego talis essem, an qualis nunc sum, meipsum curis confectum eligerem, sed perversitate, non veritate.

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of thy woes, settle thine affection thou hast enough.

† Hor.

z O si nunc morer, inquit, quanta & qualia mihi imperfecta manerent: sed si mensibus decem vel octo supervixero, omnia redigam ad libellam, ab omni debito creditos, me explebo, prætereunt interim mensis decem & octo & cum illis anni & adhuc restant plura quæ prius, quid igitur speras, o insane, si neminem quæ rebus tuis non inveneras in inventa, in senectâ impossitum? O dementiam, quum ob curas & negotia tuo iudicio sis infelix, quid putas futurum quum plura superverint? Cardan lib. 8. cap. 40. de rer. variet. tacete, inquit talpa, quæ do me oculis caput videtis.

Æsop.

† Hor. ep. lib. 1.

* Plutarch.

* Apud Stobæum, ser. 17.

* Non in paupertate, sed in paupere (Seneca) non re, sed opinione laboras.

† Denig, sit finis querendi, quumq; habeas plus

Pauperiem metuas minus, & finire laborem

Incipias, parto quod avebas utere.

z Make an end of scraping, purchasing this manor, this field, that house, for this and that childe, thou hast enough for thy selfe and them,

—† quod petis hic est,

Est Vlubris, animus si te non deficit æquus,

Tis at hand, at home already, which thou so earnestly seekest. O if I might but live a while longer to see all things settled, some two or three yeare, I would pay all my debts, make all my reckonings even, but they are come and past, & thou hast more businesse then before. O madnesse to thinke to settle that in thine old age when thou hast more, which in thine youth thou canst not now compose having but a little. † Pirrhus would first conquer Africke, and then Asia, & tum suaviter agere, and then live merrily and take his ease, but when Cyncas

the Orator, told him he might doe that already, id iam posse fieri, hee rested satisfied condemning his owne folly. Si parva licet componere magnis, thou maist doe the like, and therefore bee thou composed in thy fortune. Thou hast enough, he that is wet in a bath, can be no more wet if he bee flung into Tyber, or into the Ocean it selfe, and if thou hadst all the world, thou canst not haue more then enough, inioy thy selfe at length, and that which thou hast, the minde is all, be content, thou art not poore, but rich. Non adice opes, sed minue cupiditates (tis * Epicurus advise) adde no more wealth, but diminish thy desires. How many deafe and dumbe, halt and lame, blinde, miserable persons could I reckon vp, that are poore, and withall distressed, in imprisonment, banishment, gally-slaves, condemned to the mines, quarries, to gines in dungeons, perpetual thraldome, then al which thou art richer, thou art more happy, to whom thou art able to giue an almes, a Lord in respect, a Petty Prince, a be contented then I say, repine & mutter no more, for thou art not poore in deed, but in opinion.

Yea but this is very good counsell, and rightly applyed to such as haue it, and will not vse it, that haue a competency, that are able to worke & get their living by the sweat of their browes by their trade, that haue something yet, hee that hath birdes, may catch birdes, but what shall wee doe that are slaves by nature, impotent and vnable to helpe our selues, meere beggars, that languish and pine away, that haue no meanes at all, no hope of meanes, no hope of deliuey, or of better successe? as those old Brittons complained to their Lords and Masters the Romans, oppressed by the Pictes, mare ad Barbaros, Barbari ad mare, the Barbarians droue them to the Sea, the Sea droue them backe to the Barbarians; our present misery compells vs to cry out & howle, to make our moane to rich men, they turne vs backe with a scornfull answere to our misfortune againe, and will take no pittie of vs, they will not, they cannot helpe vs. Instead of comfort they threaten vs, miscall vs, to aggrauate our misery, giue vs bad language, or if they do giue good words, what's that to relieue vs? According to that of Thales, Facile est alios monere, who cannot giue good counsell? tis cheape, it costs them nothing. It is an easy matter whē ones belly is full, to declaime against fasting, Qui satur est pleno laudat ieiunia ventre, Doth the wild Asse bray when hee hath grasse, or loweth

loweth the Oxe when he hath fodder? *Iob. 6. 5.* * *Neg, enim populo Romano quidquam potest esse letius, No men liuing so iocund; so merry as the people of Rome when they had plenty, but when they came to want, to be hungerstarved, nether shame, nor lawes, nor armes, nor Magistrates could keepe them in obedience. Seneca pleaded hard for pouerty, and so did these Philosophers, but in the meane time ^b he was very rich, they had wherewithall to maintaine them selues; but doth any poore man extoll it? I would to God (as hee said) No man would commend pouerty, but hee that is poore, or hee that so much admires it, would relieue, helpe, or ease others.*

† *Nunc si nos audiat q. es diuinus Apollo,*

Dic mihi qui nummos non habet unde petat?

Now if thou hear'st vs and art a good man,

Tell him that wants to get meanes if you can?

But no man heares vs, we are most miserably deiected,

* *Vix habet in nobis iam noua plaga locum,*

We can get no reliefe, no comfort, no succour,

† *Et nihil inueni quod mihi ferret opem,*

We haue tryed al meanes, yet finde no remedy: No man liuing can expresse the anguish and bitterneffe of our soules, but we that endure it, wee are distressed, forsaken, in torture of body, of minde, in another hell: & what shall we doe? *Quod male fers assuesce, feres bene,* — accustome thy selfe to it, and it will be tolerable at last. Yea but I may not, I cannot,

In me consumpsit vires fortuna nocendo,

I am in the extremity of humane aduerlity; *Qui iacet in terra non habet unde cadat.* Comfort thy selfe with this yet, thou art at the worst, and before it bee long it will either ouercome thee, or thou it. If it be violent, it cannot endure, *aut soluetur aut soluet:* Let the Diuell himselfe, and all the plagues of Egypt come vpon thee at once, *Ne tu cede malis sed contra audentior ito,* be of good corage, misery is vertues whetstone, — * *serpens, sis, ardor, arena*

Dulcia virtuti. as Cato told his souldiers marching in the desarts of *Lybia*, thirst, heat, sands, serpents were pleasant to a valiant man, honorable enterprises are accompanied with dangers and damages, as experience evinceth, they will make the rest of thy life rellish the better, or put case they continue? thou art not so poore as thou wast borne, and as some hold, much better to be pittied, then to be envied. But be it so thou hast lost all, poore thou art deiected, in paine of body, grieve of minde, thine enemies insult ouer thee, thou art as bad as *Iob*, yet tel me (saith † *Chrysostome*) was *Iob* or the Diuell the greater conquerer, surely *Iob*, the Diuell had his goods, he sate on the muckhill, and kept his good name, hee lost his children, health, friends, but he kept his innocency, he lost his mony but he kept his confidence in God, which was better then any treasure. Doe thou then as *Iob* did, triumph as *Iob* did, * and be not molested as euery foole is. *Sed qua ratione potero?* How shall this be done? *Chrysostome* answers, *facile si caelum cogitaueris,* with great facility, if thou shalt but meditate on heauen. And though thou beest now peradventure in extreame want ^c and misery, ^d it may bee tis for thy farther good to try thy patience as it did *Iob's*, and exercise thee in this life: trust in God, and rely vpon him, and thou shalt bee ^e crowned in the ende. What's this life to eternity? The world hath forsaken thee, thy friends and fortunes

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* *Poplicus Aurelianus, sed si populus famelicus mediis laboret, nec arma, leges, pudor, magistratus, coercere valent.*

^b One of the richest men in Rome.

† *Nemo paupertati commendaret nisi pauper.*

† *Petronius Catalec.*

* *Ouid.*

† *Ouid.*

* *Lucan. lib. 9.*

† *An quum super fumo sedet Iob, cum omnia abstulit diabolus, &c.*

Pecunias privatus fiduciam deo habuit omni thesauro pretiosiorum.

* *Hec videntes fronte Philosophi nemini nec insipientium affectibus agnoscunt.* James 1. 2. My brethren count it an exceeding ioy when you fall into diuerse temptations.

^a *Afflictio dat intellectum, quod Deus diligit castigat, Deus optimum quemq. aut mala uoluntate aut luctu afficit.* Seneca,

^c *Quam sordet mihi terra quam caelum intuetur.*

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all are gone, yet knowe this, that the very haire of thine head are numbred, that God is a spectator of all thy miseries, hee sees thy wrongs, woes, and wants, *Tis his good will and pleasure it should be so, and hee knowes better what is for thy good then thou thy selfe. The Tyrant tooke the City (saith † Chrysostome) God did not hinder it, led them away captives, so God would haue it, hee bonnat them, God yeelded to it, flunge them into the fornace, God permitted it, heat the Oven hotter, it was granted, and when the Tyrant had done his worst, God shewed his power, and the childrens patience: he freed them; so can he thee, and^e can helpe thee in an instant, when it seemes to him good. & Reioyce not against me O mine enemy, for though I fall, I shall rise, when I sit in darknesse, the Lord shall lighten me, Remember all those Martyres what they haue endured, the vmost that humane rage and fury could invent, with what^h patience they haue borne, with what willingnes embraced it. Though he kill me, saith Iob, I will trust in him. Iustus inexpugnabilis, as † Chrysostome holdes, a iust man is impregnable, and not to be overcome. Take away his money, his treasure is in heauen; banish him his country, hee is an inhabitant of that heauenly Ierusalem; cast him into bands, his conscience is free. Kill his body, it shall rise againe: he fights with a shaddowe that contends with an upright man. He will not be moued.) — si fractus illabatur orbis, n

Impavidum ferient ruine,

Though heauen it selfe should

fall on his head he will not be moued. He is impenetrable, as an anuile hard, as constant as Iob. Be thou such a one, let thy misery bee what it will, what it can, with patience endure it; thou maist be restored as he was. The poore shall not alway be forgotten, the patient abiding of the meeke shall not perish for euer, Psal. 10. 18. & vers. 9. The Lord will be a refuge of the oppressed, a defence in due time of trouble. † Servus Epictetus, mutilati corporis, Irus

Pauper: at hac inter charus erat superis,

Lame was Epictetus, and poore Irus,

Yet to them both God was propitious.

Lodouicus Vertomannus that famous traoueller, indured much misery, yet surely, saith Scaliger, he was vir deo Charus, in that he did escape so many dāgers, God especially protected him, he was deare ynto him: Modd in egestate, tribulatione, conualle deplorationis &c. Thou art now in the vale of misery, in poverty, in agony, *in tentation; rest, eternity, happinesse, immortality shall bee thy reward, as Chrysostome pleades, if thou trust in God and keepe thine innocency. Non si male nunc & olim, sic erit semper, a good houre may come vpon a sudden, & expect a little.

Yea, but this expectation is it which tortures me in the meane time, I futura expectans presentibus angor, whilest the grasse growes, the horse starues: in despaire not, but hope well. Spes alit agricolas, he that sowes in teares, shall reape in ioy. Psal. 126. 7.

Si fortuna me tormenta,

Esperanca me contenta.

hope refresheth, as much as misery depresseth; hard beginnings haue many times prosperous events, and that may happen at last, which neuer was yet. A desire accomplished, delights the soule. Prov. 13. 19.

* Grata superveniet qua non sperabitur hora.

* Senec. de providentiā cap. 2. Djs ita visum, dy melius norant quid sit incommodum meum.

† Hom. 6. voluit urbem tyrannus evertere & deus non prohibuit, voluit captivos ducere, non impedivit, voluit ligare, concepsit, &c.

† Psal. 113. De terra inopem, de stercore erigit pauperem.

† Micah, 7. 8.

† Preme, preme

ego cum Pindaro

ἀπαρτίστος εἰμι

quādo uis uis

ἀλυσ, immer-

ibilis sum sicut

suber super ma-

ris septem. Lip-

sius.

† Hom. 5. Au-

feret pecunias

at habet in co-

lis, patriā dei-

ciet: at in cale-

stem civitatem

mittet: vincula

imiciet: at ha-

bet solutam con-

scientiā. Corpus

interficiet at ite-

rum resurget: cū

umbra pugnat

qui cum iusto

pugnat.

† Hic ure, hic

seca, ut in eter-

num parcas.

Austin.

Dius fruitur ira-

ris, superat &

crescit malis.

Mutuum ignis,

Fabritium pau-

peritas, Regulum

t tormenta, So-

cratem venenā

superare non po-

tuit.

† Laonides.

* Modd in pres-

surā in tentationibus, erit postea bonum tuum requies, eternitas, immortalitas.

† Dabit Deus hū quod sinit.

† Seneca. m Nemo

desperet meliora lapsus.

Which

Which makes m'ioy my ioyes long-wish'd at last,
Welcome that houre shall come when hope is past.

a lowring morning may turne to a faire afternoone;

† *Nube solet pulsa candidus ire dies,* the hope that
is deferred, is the fainting of the heart, but when the desire commeth, it is a tree
of life. Prov. 13. 12. † *suavissimum est voti compos fieri.* Many men are both
wretched and miserable at first, but afterwards most happy, and oftentimes
it so falls out, as Machiavel relates of Cosmus Medices, that most fortunate
and renowned Citizen of Europe, that all his youth was full of perplexity, dan-
ger and misery, till 40 yeares were past, and then upon a sudden the Sunne of his
honour brake out as through a cloud. Hunniades was fetched out of prison, and
Henry the 3. of Portugall, out of a poore Monastery, to bee crowned Kings.

Multa cadunt inter calicem supremæ labra,
beyond all hope and expectation many things fall out, and who knowes
what may happen? *Nondum omnium dierum Soles occiderunt,* as Philippus
said, all the Sunnes are not yet set, a day may come to make amends for all.
Though my father and mother forsake me, yet the Lord will gather me up, Psal.
27. 10. Waite patiently on the Lord and hope in him, Psal. 37. 7. Be strong, hope
and trust in the Lord, and he shall comfort thee, and give thee thine hearts desire,
Psal. 27. vers. 14. *Sperate & vosmet rebus servate secundis.*

Fret not thy selfe because thou art poore, contemned, or not so well for the
present as thou wouldst be, not respected as thou oughtest to be, by birth,
place, worth, or that which is a double curse, that thou hast beene happy,
honourable and rich, and art now distressed and poore, a scorne of men, a
burden to the world, irksome to thy selfe and others, thou hast lost all. *Mi-
serum est fuisse felicem,* I confesse it is a great miserie to have beene happy, to
have beene rich, but yet easily to be endured: P Security succeeds, and to a
iudicious man a farre better estate. The losse of thy goods and mony is no
losse, if thou hast lost them, they would otherwise have lost thee. If thy mony be
gone, thou art so much the lighter, and as St. Hierome perswades Rusticus the
Monke, to forsake all and follow Christ, gold and silver are too heavy mettals
for him to carry that seekes heauen.

† *Vel nos in mare proximum,
Gemmas & lapides aurum & inutile,*

Summi materiam mali

Mittamus, scelerum si bene pœnitet.

Zeno the Philosopher lost all his goods by shipwracke, & he made light of it,
fortune had done him a good turne. *Opes à me, animum auferre non potest,*
shee can take away my meanes, but not my minde. It was *mascula vox &
præclara,* a generous speach of Cotta in † Salust, many miseries have happened
unto me at home and in the warres abroad, of which by the helpe of God some I
have endured, some I have repelled, and by mine owne valour overcome, courage
was never wanting to my designes, nor industrie to my intents, prosperitie or
adversitie could never alter my disposition. A wise mans minde as Seneca
holdes, is like the state of the world above the moone, ever serene. Come then
what can come, befall what may befall, *infractum invictumq. animum op-
ponas,* *Rebus angustis animosus atque fortis appare.* (Hor. Od. 11. lib. 2.) Hope
and Patience are two soveraigne Remedies for all,

† Ovid.

† Thales.

o Lib. 7. Flor.

bist. Omnium

felicissimus &

locupletissimus,

&c. incarcera-

tus sæpe adoles-

centiam periculo

mortis habuit,

solitudinis &

discriminis ple-

nam, &c.

† Lætiior succes-

sit securitas quæ

simul cum divi-

tijs cohabitare

nescit, Cambden.

† Pecuniam per-

didisti fortassis

illa te perderet

mauens, Seneca.

† Expeditior es

ob pecuniarum

incuriam, For-

tuna aq. es aufer-

re non animum

potest, Seneca.

† Hor.

† Tabet me post-

hac fortuna ex-

peditiis Philoso-

phari.

† In frag. Qui-

rites, multa mihi

pericula domi,

militie multa

adversa fuere,

quorū alia tole-

raui, alia deorū

auxilio repuli &

virtute meā:

nunquam ani-

mus negotio de-

fuit, nec decreta

labor, nulla res

nec prosperæ nec

adversæ ingeni-

um mutabant.

* Qualis mundi

status supra lunā

semper serenus.

† Bona mens

nullam tristoris

fortune recipit

incursum, Valer.

lib. 4. cap. 1.

† Qui nil potest

sperare, desperet

nil.

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u Hor.

* *Aquam me-
mento rebus in
arduis Servare
mentis.* l. 2. Od. 3.
† *Epist. cap. 78.*
‡ *Ter. Adel. act.*
§ *Sc. 7.*

¶ *Unaquę res
duas habet an-
sas, altera quas
teneri, altera
que non potest in
manu nostra
quam volumus
accipere.*

‡ *¶ Ut quimus,
quod auct. quā-
do quod volumus
non licet.* Ter.

And. Act. 4. sc. 6
† *Epictetus: im-
mitatus ad con-
vitiū, quā ap-
ponitur comedis
non queris ul-
tra, in mundo
multa rogitas
que di negant.*

‡ *Cap. 6. de pro-
videntia. Mor-
tales cum sint
verum omnium
indigi, ideo Deus
aliis divitias, a-
liis paupertatem
distribuit, ut qui
opibus pollent
materiam sub-
ministrant, qui
verō inopes, ex-
ercitatas artibus
manus admove-
ant.*

¶ *Si sint omnes
equales necesse
est ut omnes fa-
me pereant, quis
eratro terram
sulcarer, quis se-
mentem faceret,
quis plantas se-
reret, quis vinum
exprimeret?*

¶ *Liv. lib. 1.*

¶ *Li. 3. de cons.*

¶ *Heautontim.*

¶ *Act. 1. Sc. 2.*

† *Epist. 98. Om-
ni fortuna va-
lentior ipse ani-
mus, in vitamq;
partem res suas
ducit, beatę ac
miserę vite sibi
causa est.*

u *Durum sed levius sit patientiā
quicquid corrigere est nefas.*

If it cannot be helped, or amended, * make the best of it, † *necessitati qui se ac-
comodat, sapit*, he is wise that suits himselfe to the time. As at a game at ta-
bles, so doe by all such inevitable accidents.

¶ *Ita vita est hominum, quasi cum ludas tesseris.*

‡ *Si illud quod est maximè opus iactu non cadit,*

¶ *Illud quod cecidit fortè, id arte ut corrigas,*

If thou canst not sling what thou wouldest, play thy cast as well as thou
canst. Every thing saith * *Epictetus* hath two handles, the one to be held by,
the other not, tis in our choice to take and leaue which wee will, (all which
Simplicius his commentator, hath illustrated by many Examples,) and tis
in our owne power, as they say, to make or marre our selues. ‡ *Conforme*
thy selfe then to thy present fortune, and cut thy coate according to thy
cloath. Be contented with thy losse, state and calling whatsoever it is, & rest
as well satisfied with thy present condition in this life, as he that is invited to
a feast, † he cares what is set before him and lookes for no other, enioy that
thou hast, and aske no more of God, then what he thinks fit to bestow vpon
thee. *Non cuius contingit adire Corinthum*, we may not all be Gentlemen,
all *Cato's*, *Scipio's*, or *Lely*, as *Tully* telleth vs, all honourable, illustrious & se-
rene, all rich, but because mortall men want many things, ‡ *Therefore*, saith
Theodoret, bath God diversly distributed his gifts, wealth to one, skil to another,
that rich men might encourage and set poorer men aworke, poore men might
learne severall trades to the common good. As a peece of *Atlas* is composed
of severall parcels, some wrought of silke, some of gold, silver, cruell of diverse
colours, all to serue for the exornation of the whole: Musicke is made of se-
verall discords and keyes, a totall summe of many small numbers: so is a
Commonwealth of severall inequall trades and callings. ¶ If all should be
Cress and *Dary*, all idle, all in fortunes equall, who should till the land? As
¶ *Menenius Agrippa* well satisfied that tumultuous rout of *Rome*, in his ele-
gant Apologue of the belly and the rest of the members, Who should build
houses make our severall stufes for rayments? We should all be staru'd for
company, as *Poverty* declared at large in *Aristophanes Plutus*, and sue at last
to be as we were at first. All things then being rightly examined and dulie
considered as they ought, there is no such cause of so generall discontent, tis
not in the thing it selfe but in our minde, as we moderate our passions and e-
steeme of things. *Nihil aliud necessarium ut sis miser* (saith *Cardan*) *quàm
ut te miserum credas*, Let thy fortune be what it will, tis thy minde alone
that makes thee poore or rich, miserable or happy. So for all other things,
they are as old ¶ *Chremes* told vs, as we vse them.

¶ *Parentes, patriam, amicos, genus, cognatos, divitias,*

¶ *Hec perinde sunt ac illius animus qui ea possidet,*

¶ *Qui uti scit, ei bona, qui utitur non rectè, mala.*

Parents, friends, fortunes, country, birth, alliance, &c. ebbe and flow with our
couceit; please or displease, as we accept and conster them, or apply them to
our selues. *Faber quisq; fortune sue*, and in some sort I may truely say, prof-
perity and adversitie are in our owne hands. *Nemo leditur nisi à seipso*, and
which *Seneca* confirms out of his iudgement and experience, † *Every mans*

minde

minde is stronger then fortune, and leades him to what side he will, a cause to himselfe each one is, of his good or bad life. But will we or nill we, make the worst of it, and suppose a man in the greatest extremity, 'tis a fortune which some indefinitely preferre before prosperity, of two extreames it is the best. *Luxuriant animi rebus plerumq; secundis*, men in^f prosperity forget God & themselves, they are besotted with their wealth, as birds with henbane, * miserable if fortune forsake them, but more miserable if shee tarry and overwhelm them. In adversity many mutter and repine, despaire, &c: both bad I confesse, — *ut calcem olim*

Si pede maior erit subvertet, si minor vret.

And as a shooe too bigge or too little, one pincheth, the other sets the foot awry, *sed e malis minimum*, Adversitie is to be preferred, *hec freno indiget, illa solatio, illa fallit, hec instruit*. The one deceives, the other instructs, and therefore many Philosophers haue voluntarily sought adversitie, and so much commend it in their precepts. *Demetrius* in *Seneca* esteemed it a great infelicicie, that in his life time he had no misfortune, *miserum cui nihil unquam accidisset adversi*. Adversitie then is not so heavily to be taken, & we ought not in such cases so much to macerate our selues; there is no such ods in poverty and riches. To conclude in ⁱ *Hieromes* words, *I will aske our magnifico's that build with marble, and bestow a whole manor on a thred, what difference betwixt them and Paul the Ermit, that bare old man: they drinke in Jewels, he in his hand; he is poore and goes to Heaven, they are rich and goe to Hell.*

MEMB. 4.

Against servitude, losse of liberty, Imprisonment, Banishment.

Servitude, losse of liberty, Imprisonment, are no such miseries as they are held to be: we are slaues and servants the best of vs all: as we do reverence our masters, so doe our masters their superiors; Gentlemen serue Nobles, and Nobles are subordinate to Kings, *Omne sub regno gravioze regnum*, Princes themselves are Gods servants, *reges in ipsos imperium est Iovis*. They are subiect to their owne laws, and as the Kings of *China*, endure more then slavish imprisonment, to mainetaine their state and greatnesse, they never come abroad. Lovers are slaues to their mistris, rich men to their mony, Courtiers to lust and ambition, and all slaues to our affections, who is free? Why then dost thou repine? *Satis est potens*, *Hierome* saith, *qui servire non cogitur*. Thou carriest no burdens, thou art no prisoner, no drudge, and thousands want that liberty, those pleasures which thou hast. Thou art not sicke, and what wouldst thou haue? But *nitimur in vetitum*, we must all eate of the forbidden fruit. Were we enioyned to goe to such and such places, we would not willingly goe: but being barred of our liberty, this alone torments our wandering soule that we may not goe. A cittizen of ours, saith ^k *Cardan*, was 60 yeares of age, and had never beene forth of the wals of the city of *Millan*, the Prince hearing of it commaunded him not to stirre out, being now forbidden that which all his life he had neglected, he earnestly desired, and being denied, *dolore confectus mortem obijt*, he died for grieve.

What I haue said of servitude, I say againe of imprisonment. We are all

^f *Fortuna quens
nimium fovet
stultum facit
Pub. Mimius.*

^{*} *Seneca de be-
at. vit. cap. 14.
miseri si deserant-
tur ab ea, mis-
eriores si obruant-
tur.*

^g *Hor.*

^h *Boet. lib. 2.*

ⁱ *Epist. lib. 3. vlt.
Paul Ermit. Li-
bet eos nunc in-
terrogare qui do-
mus marmori-
bus vestiunt, qui
vno filo villarum
ponunt precia,
huic seni modum
quid unquam
desuit? vos gemas
bibitis, ille com-
caviis manibus
nature satisfacit;
ille pauper para-
dum capit, vos
avaros gehennas
suscipiet.*

^k *Consol. lib. 5.*

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10 Generose,
quid est vita nisi
carcer animi.
m Herbaſtein.

n Vertomannus
navig. lib 2.c.4.
Commercia in
mundis noctu
horâ ſecundâ, ob
nimios qui ſervi
unt interdum æ
ſus exercent.

o Vbi verior
contemplatio
quàm in ſolitu
dine, vbi ſtudiū
ſolidius quàm in
quiete?

p In Pf.76. non
ita laudatur Io
ſeph cum fru
menta distribu
ret, ac quum car
cerem habitaret.

q Boethius.

† Philoſtratus
in deliciis, pere
grini ſunt im
bres in terrâ, &
fluvij in mari,
Iuppiter apud
Egyptios, Sol a
pud omnes, ho
ſpes anima in
corpore, lucinia
in aere, hirundo
in domo, Gani
medes celo, &c.

prisoners. What is our life but a prison? We are all imprisoned in an Iland. The world it ſelfe to ſome men is a priſon, our narrow ſeas as ſo many ditches, & when they have compaſſed the Globe of the earth, they would faine goe ſee what's done in the Moone. In *m Muscovie* & many other northerne partes, all over *Scandia* they are imprisoned halfe the yeare in Stoues, they dare not peepe out for cold. At *n Aden* in *Arabia* they are penned in all day long with that other extreame of heate, and keepe their markets in the night. What is a ſhip but a priſon? And ſo many citties are but as ſo many hives of Bees, Anthills, but that which thou abhorreſt many ſeeke. Women keep in all winter, and moſt part of ſummer to preſerve their beauties, ſome for love of ſtudy: *Demosthenes* ſhaved his beard becauſe he would cut off all occaſion of going abroad: how many Monks and Friers, Anachorites, abandon the world? *Monachus in urbe piſcis in arido*. Art in priſon? make right uſe of it, and mortifie thy ſelfe; *o Where may a man contemplate better then in ſolitarineſſe*, or ſtudy more then in quietneſſe. Many worthy men have beene imprisoned all their liues, and it hath beene occaſion of great honour and glory to them, much publike good by their excellent meditation. *Severinus Boethius* never writ ſo elegantly as in priſon, *Paule* ſo devourly, for moſt of his Epistles were dictated in his bands. *Ioſeph*, ſaith *P Austin*, got more credit in priſon, then when he diſtributed corne, and was Lord of *Pharaoh's* houſe. It brings many a lewd riotous fellow home, many wandring rogues it ſettles, that would otherwiſe have beene ſo many ranging Tygers, and have ruined themſelves and others.

Baniſhment is no grievance at all, *Omne ſolum forti patria, &c. & patria eſt ubicunq; bene eſt*, That's a mans countrey where he is well at eaſe. Many travell for pleaſure to that cittie, ſaith *Seneca*, to which thou art baniſhed, and what a part of the Citizens are ſtrangers borne in other places, *q Incoſentibus patria*, it's their country that are borne in it, and they would thinke themſelves baniſhed to go to the place which thou leaveſt, and from which thou art ſo loath to part. 'Tis no diſparagement to be a ſtranger, or ſo irkſome to be an exile. † *The raine is a ſtranger to the earth, rivers to the ſea, Iuppiter in Egypt, the Sunne to vs all, The ſoule is an alien to the body, a Nightingale to the aire, a Swallow in an houſe, and Ganimede in heaven, an Elephant at Rome, a Phoenix in India*, and ſuch things commonly pleaſe vs beſt, which are moſt ſtrange and come fartheſt of. Thoſe old *Hebrewes* eſteemed all the world *Gentiles*, the *Greekes* held all *Barbarians* but themſelves, our moderne *Italians* account of vs as dull *Transalpines* by way of reproach, they ſcorne thee and thy country which thou ſo much admireſt. 'Tis a childiſh humour to hone after home, to be diſcontent at that which others ſeeke, to preferre, as baſe *Iſlanders* and *Norwegians* doe their owne ragged Iſland, before *Italie* or *Greece*, the Gardens of the world, 'tis want of iudgement. All places are diſtant from heaven alike, the Sunne ſhines happily as warme in one cittie as in another, and to a wiſe man there is no difference of climes: friends are every where to him that behaues himſelfe wel, and a Prophet is not eſteemed in his owne country. *Alexander, Caesar, Traian, Adrian*, were as ſo manie land leapers, now in the Eaſt, now in the Weſt, little at home, & *Polus Venetus, Lod. Vertomannus, Pinzonus, Cadamuſtus, Columbus, Americus Veſputius, Vaſcus Gama, Drake, Candish, Oliver Anort, Schoutien*, got all their honor by

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voluntary expeditions. But you say such mens travell is voluntary, wee are compelled, and as malefactors must depart: yet know this of * Plato to be true, *ultori Deo summa cura peregrinus est*, God hath an especial care of strangers, and when he wants friends and allies, he shall deserve better and find more favour with God and men. Besides the pleasure of peregrination, variety of objects will make amends, and so many nobles, Tully, Aristides, Themistocles, Theseus, Codrus, &c. as haue beene banished, will giue sufficient credit vnto it.

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* Lib. 5. de legibus. Cumq; cognatis careat & amicis, maiorem apud deos & apud homines misericordiam merebitur.

MEMB. 5.

Against Sorrow for death of friends or otherwise, vaine feare, &c.

Death and departure of friends are things generally grievous, *Omni-um quæ in humanâ vitâ contingunt, luctus atq; mors sunt acerbissima*, the most austere and bitter accidents that can happen to a man in this life, *in æternum valedicere*, to part for ever, to forsake the world and all our friends, 'tis *ultimum terribilium*, the last and the greatest terror, and most irksome and troublesome vnto vs. † *Homo toties moritur, quoties amittit suos*. And though we hope for a better life, eternall happynesse, after these painefull and miserable daies, yet we cannot compose our selues willingly to die, the remembrance of it is most grievous vnto vs, especially to such as are fortunate and rich, they start at the name of death, as a horse at a rotten post. Say what you can of that other world, with † *Metexuma* that Indian Prince, *Bonum est esse hic*, they had rather be here. And many generous spirits, and graue staide men otherwise, are so tender in this, that at the losse of a deare friend they will cry out, roare, and teare their haire, lamenting many months after, howling as those Irish women and Greekes at their graues, commit many vndecent actions, and almost goe besides themselves. My deare father, my sweete husband, mine onely brother's dead, to whom shall I make my moane? *O me miserum*.

* Cardan. de consol. lib. 2.

† Seneca.

† Seneca.

* Summo magno ululatu oriuntur, pectora percussentes &c. miserabile spectaculum exhibentes. Ortelius in Grecia.

* Catullus.

* Virg.

* Lucan.

* Virg.

Quis dabit in lachrymas fontem, &c.

What shall I doe?

Sed totum hoc studium luctu fraterna mihi mors

Abstulit, heu misero frater adempte mihi.

My brothers death my study hath vndone,

Woes is me, alas my brother he is gone.

Mexentius would not liue after his sonne.

Nunc vivo, nec adhuc homines lucemq; relinquo,

Sed linquam.

and Pompey's wife cryed out at the newes of her husbands death

Turpe mori post te solo non posse dolore.

So shee would needs runne vpon the swordes point after *Eurialus* departure.

Figite me, si qua est pietas, in me omnia tela

Coniicite o Rutile.

O let me die, some good man or other make an ende of me. How did *Achilles* take on for *Patroclus* departure? A blacke clowde of sorrowes overshadowed

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dowed him, saith *Homer*. *Jacob* rent his cloathes, and put sack-cloath about his loynes, and sorrowed for his sonne a long season, and would not be comforted, but would needes goe downe into the graue vnto his sonne. *Gen. 37.*

34. Many years after, the remembrance of such friends, of such accidents is most grievous vnto vs, to see or heare of it, though it concerne not our selues but others. *Scaliger* saith of himselfe, that he never read *Socrates* death, in *Platoes Phædon*, but he wept: ^a *Austin* shed teares when he read the destruction of *Troy*. But howsoever this passion of sorrow be violent and bitter, and seizeth familiarly on wise, valiant, discrete men, yet it may be withstood, it may be diverted. For what is there in this life, that it should bee so deare vnto vs? Or that we should so much deplore the departure of a friend? The greatest pleasures are commō society, to enioy one anothers presence, feasting, hawking, hunting, woods, hills, musicke, dancing, &c: all this is but vanitie and losse of time, as I haue sufficiently declared.

^a Confess. lib. 1.

[†] *Iuuenalis.*

Amator scortum vite preponit, iracundus vindictam, parasitus gulam, ambitiosus honores, avarus opes, miles rapinam, fur predam, morbos odimus et accersimus.

Card.

[†] *Seneca, quum nos sumus mors non adest, cum vero mors adest, tum nos non sumus.*

^{*} *Bernard. cap. 3. in ed. nasci miserum, vivere penam, angustia mori.*

^c *Comedi ad facietatem, exavitas me offendit, percides edi, non est expletum desiderium, veneras delicias sequor, hinc morbus, lassitudo, &c.*

^{*} *Bern. cap. 13. med. de tranquillitate, quanta tristitia; post tantam voluptatem quam gravis miseria.*

^d *Est enim mors priorum felix transitus de labore ad refrigerium, de expectatione ad premium, de agone ad braviu.*

[†] *dum bibimus, dum sarta, vnguenta, puellas*

Pescimus, obrepit non intellecta senectus.

Whil'st we drinke, prancke our selues, with wenches dally,

Old age vpon's at vnwares doth fall.

As *Alchemists* spend that little which they haue to get gold, and never finde it, we loose and neglect eternitie, for a little momentarie pleasure which we cannot enioie, nor shall never attaine to in this life. We abhorre death, paine and griefe, all, and yet we will doe nothing of that which should vindicate vs from it, but rather voluntarily thrust our selues vpon it. ^b *The lascivious* preferres his whore before his life, or good estate, an angry man his revenge, a parasite his gut, ambitious, honours; covetous, wealth; a theefe his booty, a souldier his spoile, we abhorre diseases, and yet we pull them vpon vs. We are never better or freer from cares then when we sleepe, & yet, which we so much avoid and lament, death is but a perpetuall sleepe, and why should it as ^{*} *Epicurus* argues, so much affright vs? When we are, death is not, but when death is, then we are not: our life is tedious and troublesome vnto him that liues best: [†] *tis a miserie to be borne, a paine to liue, a trouble to die*, death makes an end of our miseries, and yet we cannot consider of it; no pleasure here but sorrow is annexed to it, repentance followes it. ^c *If I feed liberally I am likely sicke or surfet; If I liue sparingly my hunger and thirst is not allaid, I am well neither full nor fasting; if I liue honest I burne in lust; If I take my pleasure, I tire and starue my selfe, and doe iniurie to my body & soule.† Of so small a quantity of mirth, how much sorrow; after so little pleasure, how great miserie.* ^b *Tis both waies troublesome to me to rise and goe to bed, to eate & provide my meat, cares and contentions attend me al day long, feares and suspitions all my life. I am discontented, and why should I desire so much to liue? But an happy death will make an end of all my woes and miseries,*

Omnibus una meis certa medela malis.

why should not I then say with old *Simeon*, since I am so well affected, Lord now let thy servant depart in peace, or with *Paule*, I desire to bee dissolved and to be with *Christ*. *Beata mors que ad beatam vitam aditum aperit*, ^d *tis a blessed houre that leads vs to a blessed life*, and blessed are they that die in the Lord. But life is sweete, and death is not so terrible in it selfe, as the concomitants of it, a loathsome disease, paine, horreur, &c. and many times the

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manner of it, to be hanged, to be broken on the wheele, to be vnburied, or so. 281
 As *Socrates* told *Cato* it concernes me not, what is done with me when I am
 dead. *Facilis iactura sepulchri*. I care not so long as I feele it not, let them set
 mine head on the pike of *Tenariffa*, and my foure quarters in the foure parts
 of the world, ——— *pascam licet in cruce cornos*
 let *Wolues* or *Bears* deuoure me.

— * *Cælo tegitur qui non habet urnam.*

The Canopy of heaven covers him that hath no tombe. So likewise for our
 friends, why should their departure so much trouble vs? They are better as
 we hope, and why then dost thou lament, as those doe, whom *Paule* taxed in
 his time, 1. *Thess. 4. 13. that haue no hope*. 'Tis fit there should be some solem-
 nity, and 'tis a naturall passion to weepe for our friends, an irresistible passi-
 on to lament, and grieue. *I know not how* (saith *Seneca*,) *but sometimes 'tis*
good to be miserable in miserie; and for the most part all grieue euacuats it selfe
 by teares. ——— * *est quadam flere voluptas*,

Expletur lachrymis egeriturq. dolor.

yet after a daies mourning or two, comfort thy selfe for thy heauines, *Ecclus. 38.*
 17. When *Socrates* was dying, his friends *Apollodorus* and *Crito* with some o-
 thers, were weeping by him, which hee perceiving asked them what they
 meant, & for that very cause he put all the women out of the roome, vpon which
 words of his they were abashed, and ceased from their teares. *Lodouicus Cortesi-*
us, a rich Lawyer of *Padua* (as *† Bernardinus Scardeonius* relates) commaun-
 ded by his last will, and a great mulct if otherwise to his heire; that no func-
 rall should be kept for him, no man should lament. But, as at a wedding, mu-
 sicke and minstrels to be provided, and in steede of blacke mourners he tooke
 order * that twelve virgins clad in Greene should carry him to the Church. His
 will and testament was accordingly perfourmed, and he buried in *S^t Sophies*
 Church. ^b *Tully* was much grieved for his daughter *Tulliola's* death at first,
 vntill such time that hee had confirmed his minde with some Philosophicall
 precepts, ⁱ and then he began to triumph over fortune and grieue, & for her re-
 ception into heaven to be much more ioyed, then before hee was troubled for her
 losse. If an heathen man could so fortifie himselfe from Philosophy, what
 shall a Christian from Diuinity? Why dost thou so macerate thy selfe? 'Tis
 an inevitable chance, an everlasting act of Parliament, all must † die.

* *Constat aternâ positumq. lege est*

Vt constet genitum nihil.

It cannot be revoked, we are all mortall, and these all commanding Gods &
 Princes die like men. O weake condition of humane estate!, *Sylvius* exclaimes,
¹ *Ladislavus* King of *Bohemia* 18 yeares of age, in the flowre of his youth, so
 potent, rich, fortunate and happy, in the midst of all his friends, amongst so
 many ^m Physitians, now ready to be ⁿ married, in 36 houres sickned and died.
 Tombes and monuments haue the like fate, *data sunt ipsis quoq. fata sepul-*
chri, Kingdomes, Provinces, Townes, and Citties haue their periods, and are
 consumed. In those flourishing times of *Troy*, *Mycena* was the fairest city
 in *Greece*, *Gracia cuncta imperitabat*, but it alas, and that * *Assyrian Ninivie*
 are quite overthrowen; The like fate hath that *Egyptian* and *Babonian Thebes*,
Delos, commune *Gracia conciliabulum*, the common councill house of *Greece*,
 and † *Babylon* the greatest city that ever the sunne shone on, hath now no-

thing

* *Luc.*

† *Lib. 10. cent. 1.*

* *Ouid. 4. Trist.*

† *Phedon.*

* *Ob hanc cau-*

sam mulieres ab

legam ne talia

facerent, nos hoc

audientes eru-

bimus & de-

stinimus a la-

chrymis.

† *Lib. 1. class. 8.*

de clavis. Iuris-

con. Patavina.

* *12. Junupte*

puelle amictu

viridibus paratis

&c.

^b *Lib. de consol.*

ⁱ *Præceptis phi-*

losophia confir-

matius aduersus

omnem fortuna-

vim & te conse-

crata in calamit-

recepta tantâ

afflictus letitia

sum ac volupta-

te, quantum a-

nimo capere pos-

sum, ac exultare

placitè mihi vide-

or, victorq. de

omni dolore &

fortuna triam-

phare.

† *Vi lignum vi-*

natum, arista se-

eari, sic homines

mori.

* *Boeth. lib. 2.*

met. 3.

¹ *Nic. Henzelius*

Breslauer fol. 47.

^m 20 Then

present.

ⁿ To *Magdalen*

the daughter

of *Charles* the

7. of *France*

Obeunt noctesq.

dieb. &c.

* *Assyriorum*

regio sumditus

deleta.

† *Optimum quod*

uxquam Sol as-

pexit urbem

maxima.

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thing but walles and rubbish left. Thus † *Pausanias* complained in his times. And where is *Troy* it selfe now, *Carthage*, *Cizicum*, *Sparta*, *Argos*, and all those *Grecian* citties? *Syracuse* and *Agrigentum*, the fairest townes in *Sicily*, which had sometimes 700000 inhabitants, are now decayed, the names of *Hieron*, *Empedocles*, &c. of those mighty numbers of people, onely left. One *Anacharsis* is remembred amongst the *Scythians*, the world it selfe must haue an end. And as to a traveller great mountaines seeme plaines a farre of, at last are not discerned at all, citties, men, monuments decay, the names are onely left, and those at length are forgotten, and involved in perpetuall night.

° *Epist. Tul. 1.3.*

° *Returning out of Asia, when I sayled from Egina toward Megara, I began* (saith *Servius Sulpitius* in a consolatory Epistle of his to *Tully*) *to view the country round about. Egina was behinde me, Megara before, Pyraus on the right hand, Corinth on the left, what flourishing townes heretofore, now prostrate and overwhelmed before mine eyes. I beganne to thinke with my selfe, Alas why are we men so much disquieted with the departure of a friend, whose life is much shorter? When so many goodly Citties lie buried before vs. Remember o* *Servius* *thou art a man, and with that I was much confirmed, and corrected my selfe: Correct then likewise, and comfort thy selfe in this, that we must necessarily die, and all die, that we shall rise againe; as Tully held* *Incundior q. multo congressus noster futurus, quam insuavis & acerbus digressus.* Our meeting againe shall be much more pleasant, then our departure was grievous.

¶ *Quum tot opidorum cadauera ante oculos proiecta iaceant.*

¶ *Deremed. fortis.*

¶ *Erubescet tanta tempestate quid ad unam anchoram habas*

¶ *Vis egrium murbidum & stibundum*

¶ *gaude potius quod his malis liberatus sit.*

¶ *Vixorem bonam aut inuenisti, aut sic fecisti, si inueneris, aliam habere te posse ex hoc intelligamus: si feceris bene speres, saluus est artifex.*

¶ *Stulti est compedes licet aureas amare.*

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I but he was my most deare and loving friend, my sole friend. Thou maist be ashamed, I say with *Seneca* to confesse it, *in such a tempest as this to haue but one anchor, goe seeke another: and for his part thou dost him great injury to desire his longer life, wilt thou haue him crazed and sickly still, or to be freed from his miseries? thou hast more need reioyce that he is gone.* Another complaines of a most sweete wife, such a wife as no mortall man euer had, so good a wife: I reply to him in *Seneca's* words, if such a woman at least euer was to be had, *He did either so finde her or make her, if he found her, hee may as happily finde another; if he made her, as Critobulus in Xenophon did by his, he may as good cheape informe another, he need not despaire, so long as the same master is to be had. But was she good? had she beene so tryed peradventure as that Ephesian widdow in Petronius, by some swaggering souldier, she would not haue held out. Many a man would be willingly ridde of his: before thou wast bound, now thou art free, and tis but a folly to loue thy fetters, though they be of gold.* Come into a third place you shall haue an aged father sighing for a sonne, or a forlorne son for his deceased father. But why? *Prior exijt, prior intravit*, hee came first and hee must goe first. What, wouldst thou haue the lawes of nature altered, and him to liue alwaies? *Iul. Caesar, Augustus, Alcibiades, Galen, Aristotle*, lost their fathers young. And why on the other side shouldst thou so heauily take the death of thy little sonne, was he not mortall? Heare that diuine *Epictetus*, *If thou covet thy wife, friendes, children should liue alwaies, thou art a foole.* Hee was a fine Childe indeed, but who can tell whether hee would haue beene an honest man? Hee might haue proued a theefe, a rogue, a spendthrift, a disobedient sonne, vexed and galled thee more then all the world beside, he might haue wrangled with thee and disagreed; or with his brothers, as *Eteocles*, and *Polynices*, and broke thy heart; he is now gone to eternitie as another

another *Ganymede* in the flowre of his youth^x, as if hee had risen; saith y *Plu-*
tarch, from the midst of a feast, before he was drunk, the longer he had liued, the
 worse he would haue beene, & *quò vita longior* (*Ambrose* thinkes) *culpa nu-*
merosior, more sinnefull, more to answere for he would haue had. If hee was
 naught, thou maist be glad he is gone, if good, be glad thou hadst such a son.
 Or art thou sure he was good? It may be hee was an hypocrite as many are,
 and how soeuer he spake thee faire; peraduenture hee prayed amongst the
 rest that *Icaro-menippus* heard at *Iupiters* whispering place in *Lucian*, for his
 fathers death. Or put case he was good, suppose the best, may not thy dead
 sonne expostulate with thee, as he did in the same^z *Lucian*. *why dost thou la-*
ment my death, or call me miserable, that am much more happier then thy selfe,
what misfortune is befallne me? Is it because I am not bald, crooked, old, rotten,
as thou art? what haue I lost some of your good cheere, gay cloathes, musicke, sin-
ging, dancing, kissing, merry meetings, &c. is that it? Is it not much better not
to hunger at all then to eat, not to thirst then to drinke to satisfie thirst, not to be
a cold then to put on cloathes to driue away cold? You had more need reioyce that
I am freed from diseases, agues, cares, anxieties, linor, loue, couetousnesse, hatred,
envy, malice, that I feare no more theeuers, tyrants, enemies as you doe. What
good doe your teares, to what end?

Excessi è vita arumnis facilisq; lubensq;

Ne peiora ipsa morte dehinc videam.

I left this irksome life with all mine heart,

Least worse then death should happen to my part.

† *Cardinall Brundusinus* caused this Epitaph in *Rome* to bee inscribed on his
 Tombe, to shew his willingnesse to dye, and taxe those that were so loath to
 depart. Weepe no more then, 'tis to no purpose. And as *Tully* aduisech vs
 in the like case, *Non quos amissimus, sed quantum lugere par sit cogitemus*. Thinke
 what we doe, not whom we haue lost. So *Dauid* did 2. *Sam.* 22. *while the child*
was yet alieue, I fasted and wept, but being now dead why should I fast? Can I
bring him againe, I shall goe to him, but he cannot returne to me. The *Thracians*
 wept still when a child was borne, and feasted and made mirth when any mā
 was buried: and so should wee rather be glad for such as dye well, that they
 are so happily freed from the miseries of this life. If our present weaknes bee
 such, we cannot moderate our passions in this behalfe; we must diuert them
 by all meanes by doing something, thinking of some other subiect. The *Ita-*
lians most part sleep away care & grieve, if it vnseasonably sease vpon them;
Danes, Dutchmen, Polanders, and Bohemians drinke it downe; our countrymen
 goe to Plaies: doe something or other, let it not transpose thee, or by ^b *pre-*
meditation make such accidents familiar, as *Vlysses* that wept for his dog, but
 not for his wife, *quòd paratus esset animo obfirmato*, (*Plut.* lib. de anim. tranq.)
 accustome thy selfe, and harden before hand by seeing other mens calami-
 ties, and applying them to thy present state. I will conclude with † *Epictetus*.
 If thou louest a pot, remember 'tis but a pot thou louest, and thou wilt not be trou-
 bled when tis broke: If thou louest a sonne, or wife, remember they were mortall,
 and thou wilt not be so impatient. And so for false feares and all other fortuit
 inconueniences, mischances, calamities, to resist and prepare our selues, not
 to faint, * *Stultum est timere quod vitare non potes*, 'tis a folly to feare that
 which cannot be avoided, or to be discouraged at all.

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^x *Deus quos di-*
ligi iuuenes ra-
pie. Meander.
^y *Consol. ad A-*
pol. Apollonius
filius tuus in flo-
re decessit, omē
nos ad eterni- a-
te digressus, tā-
quam ē convi-
uio abiens, pri-
usquam in erro-
rem aliquem ē
temulentia in-
cideret, quales
in longā senectā
accidere solent.

^z *Tom. i. tract.*
de luciu. Quid
me mortuum
miserum vocas;
qui te sum mul-
to felicior? aut
quid acerbi mi-
hi putas conti-
gisse? an quia
non sum malus,
senex, ut tu, fa-
cie rugosus, in-
curvus, &c.

O dementis quid
tibi videtur in
vita boni: nimi-
rum amisi dicis
canas, &c. Lon-
gē melius non
esuiue quam ē-
deve; non siue,
&c. Gaude po-
tius quod mor-
bos & febres ef-
fugerim ango ē
animi, &c. Eiu-
latus quid pro-
dest, quid lachry
me, &c.

† *Chireus delir.*
^a *Sardus de*
mor. gent.

† *Cap. 8. Si ollā*
diligas memento
te ollam diligere
non perturbare
vis eā contraria
si filium aut ux-
orem, memento
hominem à te
diligere, &c.

^b *Premeditatio-*
ne facilem red-
dere quemq; ca-
sum. Plut. con-
sol. ad Apolloniū
Assuefacere nes-
castus debemus
Tully 3. Tusc.

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^c Boeth. lib. 1.
prof. 4.

^c Nam quisquis trepidus paues vel optat,

Abiecit clypeum, locog, motus

Necit quā valeat trahi catenam.

For he that so faints and feares, & yeelds to his passion, flings away his own weapons, makes a cord to binde him selfe, and pulls a beame vpon his owne head.

MEMB. 6.

Against Envy, Livor, Emulation, Hatred, Ambition,
Selfe-love, and all other affections.

^a Qui invidiam ferre non potest ferre contemptum cogit.

Against all those other ^d passions and Affections, there is no better remedy, then as Marriners when they goe to Sea, prouide all things necessary to resist a tempest; to furnish our selues with Philosophicall and Divine precepts: to ballance our hearts with loue, charity, meekenesse, patience, and counterpoise those irregular motions of envy, liuor, spleene, hatred, with those opposite vertues, as wee bend a crooked staffe another way. To oppose [†] sufferance to labour, patience to reproach, bounty to couetousnes, fortitude to pusillanimity, meeknesse to anger, humility to pride, to examine our selues for what cause wee are so much disquieted, on what ground, what occasion is it, a iust or a fained cause, and then either to pacify our selues by reason, or to diuert by some other obiect or contrary passion, or premeditation. In secundis meditare, quo pacto feras aduersa; or out of mature iudgement to avoid the effect, or disanull the cause.

[†] Epictetus cap 14. Si labor obiectus fuerit tolerantie, consilium patientie, &c. si ita consistueris, vicis non obtemperabis.

[†] Alciat. Embl.

[†] Vt vivat Castor sibi testes amputat ipse;

Tu quoq, si qua nocent, abijce, tutus eris.

The Beauer bites off stones to saue the rest:

Doe thou the like with that thou art oppressed.

Or as they that play at wasters, exercise themselves by a few cudgells how to avoid an enemies blowes: arme our selues against all such violent incursions, which may invade our mindes. A little experience and practise will in-vre vs to it, *vetula vulpes*, as the proverbe saith, *laqueo haud capitur*, an olde Fox is not so easily taken in a snare: an old souldier in the world mee thinks should not be disquieted, but ready to receaue all fortunes, incounters, and with that resolute Captaine, come what may come, to make answer,

^c Virg. Æn.

^c non ulla laborum

O virgo nova mi facies inopināq, surgit,

Omnia percepi atq, animo mecum ante peregi.

No labour comes at vnawares to me,

For I haue long before cast what may be.

[†] Nat. Chytrea deliuxit Europae. Felix civitas que tempore pacis de bello cogitat.

The Commonwealth of [†] Venice in their Armory haue this inscriptiō, *Happy is that Citty which in time of peace thinkes of warre*, a fit Motto for euery mans priuate house, happy is that man that prouides for a future assault. But many times we complaine, repine and mutter without cause, wee giue way to passions, we may resist and will not. *Socrates* was bad by nature, enuious, as he confessed himselfe, lasciuious, but as hee was *Socrates*, hee did correct and amend himselfe. Thou art malicious, enuious, couetous, impatient,

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no doubt, and lasciuious, yet as thou art a Christian correct and moderate thy selfe. 'Tis something I confesse, and able to moue any man, to see himselfe contemned, neglected, disgraced, ^d left behind, some cannot indure it, not *Lipsius* himselfe, a man discreet otherwise, yet too weake and passionate in this, as his words expresse, *collegas olim quos ego sine fremitu non intueor, nuper terra filios, nunc Maccenates & Agrippas*, — *summo iam monte potitos*. But he was much to blame for it, to a wise staid man all this is nothing, wee cannot all be honoured and rich, all *Casars*, if we can be content, our present state is good, and in some mens opinion to be preferred. Let them goe on, get wealth, offices, titles, honours, preferments, & what they wil themselves, by chance, fraud, imposture, simony, and indirect meanes, as many doe, by bribery, flattery, and parasitical insinuation, by impudence, and time-seruing, let them goe before, *crosse me on euery side*, ^e *me non offendunt modò non in oculis incurrunt*, as he said, correcting his former error, they doe not offend me, so long as they runne not into mine eyes. I am inglorious & poore, *composita paupertate*, but I liue secure and quiet: they are dignified, and haue great meanes, pompe and state, they are glorious, but what haue they with it? ^f *Envy, trouble, anxiety, as much labour to maintaine their place with credit, as to get it at first*. I am contented with my fortunes, *spectator è longinquo*, & loue *Neptunum procul à terrâ spectare furentem*: he is ambitious and not satisfied with his: but what ^h gets he by it? to haue all his life laid open, his reproaches scene, not one of a thousand but he hath done more worthy of dispraise and animaduerfion, then worthy of commendation, no better meanes to help this then to be priuate. Let them runne, ride, strue as so many fishes for a crum, scrape, climbe, catch, and snatch, cosen, and collogue, temporize and fleire, take all amongst them, ⁱ and get what they can, it offends me not, — ^k *me mea tellus*

Lare secreto tutoq. tegat. I am well pleased with my fortunes.

— ^l *Vivo & regno simul ista relinquens.* I haue learned in what state soeuer I am therewith to be contented. *Philip. 1. 11.* Come what can come, I am prepared; *Naue ferar magnâ an parâ, ferar unus & idem.* I am the same. I was once so mad my selfe to bussell abroad, and seek about for preferment, tyre my selfe and trouble all my friends, sed nihil labor tantus profecit, nam dum alios amicorum mors avocat, alijs ignotus sum, his inuisus, alij largè promittunt, excedunt illi mecum solliciti, hi vanâ spe lant, dum alios ambio, hos capto, illis innotesco, ætas perit, anni defluunt, amici fatigantur, ego desedor, & jam mundi cæsus, humanæq; satur infidelitatis acquiesco. And now as a myred horse that struggles at first with all his might and maine to get out, but when he sees no remedy, that all his beating will not serue, lies still, I haue laboured in vaine, rest satisfied, and if I may vsurpe that of [†] *Prudentius*,

Inveni portum, spes & fortuna valete,

Nil mihi vobiscum, ludite nunc alios.

Mine haue's found, fortune and hope adue,

Mock others now for I haue done with you.

^e Occupet extremum scabies, mihi turpe relinqui est. Hor. *Lipsius epist.*

^f *Lipsius epist.*
^g Gloria comitem habet inuidiam, pari onere premittitur rei, nendo ac acquiendo.

^h Quid aliud ambitiosus sibi parat quam ut probra eius pateant, nemo videns qui non habet in vitâ plura vituperatione quam laude digna, his malis non melius occurritur, quam si lenè latueris.

ⁱ Et omnes fama per urbes garrula laudet. ^j Sen. *Her. sat.*
^k Hor.

[†] Distichon eius in militem Christianum. Engrauen on the Tombe of Fr. Puccius the Florentine in Rome. *Christians in delit.*

Against Repulse, Abuses, Iniuries, Contempts, Disgraces, Contumelies, Slanders, Scoffes, &c.

I May not yet conclude, or hope to remoue passions, or quiet the minde, till such time as I haue likewise remoued some other of their more eminent and ordinary causes, which produce such grieuous tortures and discontents: to diuert all I cannot hope, to point alone at some few of the chiefest, is all I ayme at.

Repulse.

*m Pederatus in 300 Lacedæmoniorum numerū non electus rīst, gratulari se dicens civitatem habere 300 ciues se meliores. n Killing goes by fauour. * Areas Sylo. de miser. curial. Dantur honores in curiis non secundum honores & virtutes, sed ut quisq. diuor est atq. potentior, eo magis honoratur. † Sefellius lib. 2. de repub. Gallorum. Favore apud nos & gratia plerumq. res agitur, & qui commodum aliquem nati sunt in excessum additum ferē habent ad omnes prefeſturas.*

** Impericus periti munus occupat, & sic apud vulgus habetur. ille proficitur mille coronatis, cum nec decē mereatur: alius & diuerso mille dignus, vix decem consequi potest. † Miniſtri locupletiores sunt iis quibus ministratur.*

† Hor. lib. 2. Sat 5.

o Solomon. Ecclē 9. 11.

Repulse and Disgrace are two maine causes of discontent, but to an vnderstanding man not so hardly to bee taken, Caesar him selfe hath beene denied, m and when two stand equall in fortune, birth, & all other qualities alike, one of necessity must loose. Why shouldst thou take it so grieuously? It hath beene a familiar thing for thee thy selfe to deny others. If every man might haue what he would, we should all be deified, Emperours, Kings, Princes, if whatſoeuer vaine hope suggests, vnſatiabie appetite affects, our preposterous iudgement thinkes fit, should be granted, we should haue another Chaos in an instant, a meere confusion. It is some satisfaction to him that is repelled, that dignities, honours, offices, are not alwaies giuen by desert, or for worth, but for loue, affinity, friendship, affection, n great mens letters, or, as commonly they are bought and sold. Honours in Court are bestowed not according to mens vertues and good conditions (as an old Courtier obserues) but as every man hath meanes, or more potent friends so he is preferred. With vs in France († for so their owne countryman relates) most part the matter is carried by fauour and grace, he that can get a great man to be his mediator, he runs away with all the preferment. Indignissimus plerumq. præfertur, Vatinius to Cato, illaudatus laudatissimo. — serui dominantur, aselli*

Ornantur phaleris, dephalerantur equi. An illiterate foole sits in a wise mans seat, & the common people hold him learned, graue, & wise. One professeſt h (Cardan well notes) for a thousand crownes, but he deserves not tenne, when as he that deserves a thousand cannot get tenne. Salarium non dat multis salem. Many times too the seruants haue more meanes then the masters whom they serue, which † Epictetus counts an eye-ſore and inconvenient. But who can helpe it? It is an ordinary thing in these times to see a base, impudent asse, illiterate, vnworthy, vnſufficient, to bee preferred before his betters, because he can put him selfe forward, because he looks big, hath a faire outside, can temporize, colloque, insinuate, or hath good store of friends and mony, whereas a more discreet, modest, & better deserving man shall haue a repulse. Twas so of old and euer will be, and which Tiresias aduised Vlyſſes in the † Poet. — Accipe qua ratione queas diſceſcere, &c. is still in vse, lye, flatter, and dissemble. If not, as hee concludes, — Ergo pauper eris, the goe like a beggar as thou art. Erasmus, Melancthon, Lipsius, Budæus, Cardan, liu'd and died poore, Gesner was a silly old man, baculo innixus, amongst all those huffing Cardinals and swelling Bishops that flourished in his time, & rid on foot cloathes. It is not honesty, learning, worth, wisdom, that preferres men, but as the wise man said, o Chance, and sometimes a ridiculous chance.*

chance. * *Casus plerumq. ridiculus multos eleuauit.* 'Tis Fortunes doings, as they say, which made *Brutus* now dying exclaime, *O misera virtus, ergo nihil quam verba eras, atqui ego te tanquam rem exercebam, sed tu seruiebas fortune.* Beleeue it hereafter ô my friends! Vertue serues Fortune. Well be it so, they haue wealth and honour, yet *Cardan* comforted himselfe with that p the starre *Fomahant* would make him immortall, and that † after his decease his bookes should be found in Ladies studdies.

* *Dignum laude virum musa vetat mori.*

But why shouldst thou take thy Canvas so to heart? It may bee thou art not fit. But as a † childe that weares his fathers shooes, hat, headpeece, brestplate, or breeches; or holds his speare, but is nether able to weild the one, or weare the other; so wouldst thou doe by such an office or Magistracy, thou art vnfit. And what is dignity to an unworthy man, but (as * *Saluianus* holds) a gold ring in a swines snout: Thou art a brute. Like a bad actor (so o *Plutarch* compares such men) in a Tragedy, *diadema fert, at vox non auditur*: Thou wouldst play a kings part, but actest a clowne, speakest like an asse. *Magna petis Phaethon & que non viribus istis, &c.* as *Iames* and *John* the sonnes of *Zebedy* did aske they knew not what, *nescis temerarie nescis*, thou dost as another *Suffenus* ouerweene thy selfe, thou art wise in thine own conceit, but in other mens more mature iudgement altogether vnfit to manage such a businesse. Or be it thou art more deseruing then any other, God in his prouidence hath reserued thee for some other fortunes, *sic superis visum*. Thou art humble as thou art, it may be hadst thou beene preferred, thou wouldst haue forgotten God and thy selfe, insulted ouer others, contemned thy friends, † beene a block, or a tyrant, or a demigod, *sequiturq. superbia formam*. Therefore, saith *Chrysostome*, good men doe not alwaies finde grace and fauour, least they should be puffed vp with turgent titles, growe insolent and proud.

Iniuries, abuses, are very offensive, & so much the more in that they think *veterem ferendo inuitant novam*, by taking one they provoke another: but it is an erroneous opinion: for if that were true, there would bee no end of abusing each other, *lus litem generat*, 'tis much better with patience to beare, or quietly to put it vp. If an asse kicke me, said *Socrates*, shall I strike him againe, and when † his wife *Xantippe* stroke and misused him, to some friends that would haue had him strike her againe, hee replied that hee would not make them sport, or that they should stand by, and say *Eia Socrates eia Xantippe*, as we doe when dogges fight, animate them the more by clapping of hands. Many men spend themselves, their goods, friends, fortunes, vpon small quarrells, and sometimes at other mens procurements, with much vexation of spirit & anguish of minde, that with good advise, or mediation of friends might haue beene happily composed, or if patience had taken place. Patience in such cases is a most soueraigne remedy, put it vp, conceale, or dissemble it, to * forget and forgiue, y not 7 but 77 times, as often as he repents forgiue him, *Luk. 17. 3.* as our Saviour inioynes vs stroken, to turne the other side: as our † Apostle perswades vs, to recompence no man euill for euill, but as much as is possible to haue peace with all men: Not to avenge our selues, and wee shall heape burning coales vpon our aduersaries head. For if you put up wrong (as † *Chrysostome* comments) you get the victory, hee that looseth his money, looseth not the conquest in this our Phylosophy. If hee contend with thee, submit thy selfe

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* *Sat. Menip.*p *Stella Fomahant* immortali-
tatem dabit.† *Lib. de lib.*

propriis.

* *Hor.*† *Qui induit* thoracē aut ga-
leam, &c.* *Lib. 4. de gu-*
ber. dei. *Quid est*
dignitas indigno
nisi circulus an-
reus in naribus
suis.o *In Lyfandro.*a *Ouid. Mit.** *Magistratus*
virum induat.† *Ideo boni viri*
aliquando grati-
am non accipi-
unt, ne in super-
biam eleuentur
& inositate iac-
tantie, ne alti-
tudo muneris
negligentiores
efficiat.u *Alian.** *Iniuriarum*
remedium est
oblivio.† *Mat. 18. 22.*† *Mat. 5. 39.** *Rom. 12. 17.*† *Si toleras in-*
iuriam, victor e-
vadis, qui enim
pecuniis priva-
tus est, non est
privatus victo-
ria in hac philo-
sophia.

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selfe vnto him first, yeeld to him. *durum & durum non faciunt murum*, as the diuerb is, two refractory spirits will never agree, the onely meanes to ouercome is to relent, *obsequio vinctes*. Euclide in Plutarch when his brother had angered him, swore he would be revenged, but he gently replied, † *Let mee not liue if I doe not make thee loue me againe*, vpon which meeke answer he was pacified.

* *Flectitur obsequio curuatus ab arbore ramus,*
Frangis, si vires experiare tuas.

A branch if gently bended yeelds to thee
 Pul'd hard it breakes: the difference you see.

The noble family of the *Columni* in Rome, when they were expelled the city by that furious *Alexander* the 6th, gaue the bending branch therefore as an Imprese with this motto, *Flecti potest frangi non potest*, to signifie that hee might breake them by force, but so neuer make them stoupe, for they fled in the midst of their hard vsage to the kingdome of Naples, and were honourably entertained by *Fredericke* the king according to their callings. Gentleness in this case might haue done much more, and let thine aduersary be neuer so perverse, it may be by that meanes thou maist winne him, a *favore & benevolentia etiam immanis animus mansuescit*, soft words pacifie wrath, and the fiercest spirits are soonest overcome; † A generous Lion will not hurt a beast that lies prostrate, nor an Elephant an innocuous creature, but is *infestus infestis*, a terror and scourge alone to such as are stubborne and make resistance. It was the symbole of *Emanuel Philibert* Duke of Savoy, & hee was not mistaken in it, for * *Quo quisq; est maior magis est placabilis ira,*
Et faciles motus mens generosa capit.

A greater man is soonest pacified,
 A noble spirit quickly satisfied.

It is reported by *Gualter Mapes* an old Historiographer of ours, that lined 400 yeares since, that king *Edward Senior*, and *Leolin* Prince of Wales, being at an interview neere *Aust* vpon *Severae* in *Glostershire*, and the Prince sent for, refused to come to the King, hee would needes goe ouer to him: which *Leolin* perceauing, *c* went up to the armes in water, and embracing his boat, would haue carried him out vpon his shoulders, adding that his humility & wisdom had triumphed ouer his pride and folly: And therevpon was reconciled vnto him, & did his homage. If thou canst not so win him, put it vp, if thou beest a true Christiā, a good diuine, an imitator of Christ, † (For he was reviled and put it vp, whipped and sought no revenge) thou wilt pray for thine enemies, *d* and blesse them that persecute thee, bee patient, meeke, humble, &c. An honest man will not offer thee iniury, *probus non vult*, if hee were a brangling knaue, 'tis his fashion so to doe, *quod quisq; stultior, eò magis insolens est*, the more sottish he is, still the more insolent: *e* Doe not answer a foole according to his folly. If he be thy superiour, *f* beare it by all meanes, grieue not at it, let him take his course, *Anytus* and *Melitus* * may kill mee, they cannot hurt me; as that generous *Socrates* made answer in like case. *Mens immota manet*, though the body be torne in peeces with wild horses, broken on the wheele, pinched with fiery tonges, the Soule cannot be distracted. 'Tis an ordinary thing for great men to vilifie and insult, oppresse, iniure, tyrannise, to take what liberty they list, and who dare speake against them? *Miserum est ab eo ladi, à quo non possis queri*, from whom is no appeale: † and not safe to write against

† *Disperere am nifite ultus fuero: disperere nisi ut me deinceps ames effecero.*
 * *Ioach. Camerarius Emblem.*
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* *Heliodorus.*
 † *Reipsa repertibil esse homini melius facilitate & clementia.* Ter. *Adelp.*
 * *Ovid.*
 b *Camden in Glouc.*
 * *Vsq; ad pectus ingressus est, aquam & cimbā amplectens, sapientissime rex ait tua humilitas meam vicit superbiā, & sapientia triumphauit ineptiam collum ascende, quod contra te fatuus exiisti, intrabis terram, quam hodie fecit tuam benignitas &c.*

† *Chrysostome.*
Contumelias affectus est & eas pertulit; opprobriis, nec ultus est, verberibus, caesus nec vicem reddidit.

a *Rom. 12, 14.*
c *Pro.*

f *Contend not with a greater man, Pro.*
 * *Occidere possunt ledere non possunt.*

† *Non facile aut tutum in eum scribere qui potest proscribere.*

against him that can proscribe and punish a man at his pleasure, which *Asinius Pollio* was ware of, when *Octavianus* writ against him. 'Tis hard I confesse to be so iniur'd: One of *Chilo's* three difficult things. † To keepe counsell, spend his time well, put up iniuries, but be thou patient, and leaue revenge vnto the Lord. & Vengeance is mine and I will repay, saith the Lord. I knowe the Lord, saith * *David*, will avenge the afflicted and iudge the poore. No man (as † *Plato* farther addes) can so seuerely punish his aduersary, as God will such as oppresse miserable men. † *Iterum ille rem indicatam indicat,*

Maioreq; multa multat.

If there be any religion, any God, and that God be iust it shall bee so; if thou beleeneest the one, beleue the other: *Erit, erit*, it shall bee so. *Nemesis* comes after, *sero, sed serio*, stay but a little, and thou shalt see Gods iust iudgement overtake him. Thou shalt see that of *Samuel* to *Agag*, *1. Sam. 15. 33. thy sword hath made many women childlesse, so shall thy mother be childlesse amongst other women*. It shall be done to them as they haue done to others, and that to their desert. * *Ad generum Cereris sine cade & sanguine pauci*

Descendunt reges & sicca morte tyranni.

Few Tyrants in their beds doe dye,

But stab'd or main'd to hell they hye.

And a base contemptible fellow is the instrument of Gods iustice to punish them, to torture and vex them, as an *Ichnemon* doth a *Crocodile*. They shall be recompenced according to the workes of their hands, they shall haue sorrow of heart, and be destroyed from vnder the heauen, *Thre. 3. 64. 65. 66.* Onely be thou patient, † *vincit qui patitur*, and in the end thou shalt be crown'd. Yea but 'tis a most hard matter to doe this, flesh and bloud may not abide it, 'Tis graue, graue; no (*Chrysostome* replies) *non est graue o homo*, tis not so grievous, † neither had God commanded it, if it had beene so difficult. but how shall it be done? Easily as he followes it, if thou shalt looke to heauen, and behold the beauty of it, and what God hath promised to such as put up iniuries. But if thou resist, and goe about *vim vi repellere*, as the custome of the world is, to right thy selfe, or hast giuen iust cause of offence, tis no iniury then but a condigne punishment, thou hast deserued as much. *A te principium, in te recidit crimen quod a te fuit, peccasti, quiesce*, as *Ambrose* expostulates with *Cain. l. 3. de Abel & Cain.* * *Dionysius* of *Syracuse*, in his exile was made stand without doore, *patienter ferendum, fortasse nos tale quid fecimus, quum in honore essemus*, he wisely put it vp, and laid the fault where it was, in his owne pride & scorne, which in his prosperity he had formerly shewed others. For hee that doth wrong must looke to be wronged againe, *Habet & musca splenem, & formice sua bilis inest*, The least flye hath a spleene, and a little Bee a sting. † An asse flung downe a Thistlewarpes nest, the little bird pecked his gaul'd backe in revenge, and the Humble-bee in the Fable, flung downe the Eagle's egges out of *Iupiters* lappe. *Bracidas* in *Plutarch* put his hand into a mouse nest, and hurt her young ones, she bit him by the finger. * *I see now* (saith he) *there is no creature so contemptible, that will not be revenged.* 'Tis *lex talionis*, and the nature of all things so to doe; and if thou wilt liue quietly thy selfe † doe no wrong to others. If any be done to thee put it vp, with patience endure it. For † *this is thanke worthy*, saith our Apostle, *if a man for conscience towards God, endure griefe, and suffer wrong undeserued: for what praise is it,*

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† *Arcana tacere, otium recte collocare, iniuri non posse ferre difficultum.*

‡ *Pl. 45. Rom. 12.*

* *Pl. 39. 12.*

† *Nullus tam seuerè inimicum suum ulcisci potest, quam deus solet miseros oppressores.*

† *A. C. in Plautus.*

* *Iuvenalis.*

† *Haman* shall be hang'd on that galowes hee provided for *Mardacheus*, *Esther. 7.*

† *Apud Christi-anos non qui patitur, sed qui facit iniuriam miser est. Leo ser.*

† *Neq; precepisset deus si graue fuisset sed quæ ratione potero? facile si cælum suspexeris, & eius pulchritudinem, & quod pollicetur deus &c.*

* *Valerius lib. 4. cap. 1.*

† *Camerarius emb. 75. sent. 2.*

* *Pape, inquit, nullum animal tam pusillum quod non cupiat ulcisci.*

† *Quod tibi fieri non vis alteri ne feceris.*

† *1. Pet. 2.*

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if when yee be buffeted for your faults, you take it patiently: but if when you doe well, yee suffer wrong, and take it patiently, there is thanks with God, for hereunto verily we are called. *Qui mala non fert, ipse sibi testis est per impatientiam quod bonus non est*, he that cannot beare iniuries, witnesseth against himselfe that he is no good man, as Gregory holds. ¹ 'Tis the nature of all wicked men to doe iniuries, as it is the property of all honest men patiently to beare them. *Improbitas nullo flectitur obsequio*, The goate in the † Embleme sucked a Wolfe (so the shepherd would haue it) but hee kept neuerthelesse a Wolfe's nature, ² a knaue will be a knaue. Iniury is on the other side a good mans foot-boy, his *fidus Achates*, and as a lackey followes him wherefoeuer hee goes. Besides, *misera est fortuna quae caret inimico*, hee is in a miserable estate that wants enimies, it is a thing not to be avoided, and therefore with more patience to be endured. If there were no other respect then that of Christianity, religion, and the like, to induce men to be long suffering, and patient, yet methinks the nature of iniury it selfe, is sufficient to keepe them quiet, the tumults, vproares, miseries, discontents, anguish, dangers that attend vpon it, the common experience might stay them. ³ The more they contend, the more they are involved in a Labyrinth of woes, 'tis an Hydras head, the more they strue the more they may; and as *Praxiteles* did by his glasse, when hee saw a scurvy face in it, brake it in peeces: but for that one, he saw many more as bad in a moment: for one iniury done, they provoke another *cum faenore*, and twenty enimies for one. *Noli irritare crabrones*, oppose not thy selfe to a multitude; but if thou hast receaued a wrong, wisely consider of, and if thou canst possibly, compose thy selfe with patience to beare it: This is the safest course, and thou shalt finde greatest ease to be quiet.

⁴ I say the same of scoffes, slanders, contumelies, obloquies, pasquilling libells, and the like, which may tend any way to our disgrace, 'tis but our opinion, if we could neglect or contemne them, or with patience digest them, they would reflect on those that offered them first. As he that had a scold to his wife, when she brawled, he plaid on his drumme, & by that meanes maddened her more, because she saw that he would not bee moued. *Diogenes* in a crowd when one called him back, and told him how the boyes laughed him to scorne, *ego, inquit, non rideor*, tooke no notice of it. *Socrates* was brought vpon the stage by *Aristophanes*, and misused to his face, but hee laughed as if it concerned him not, and as *Alian* relates of him, whatsoeuer good or bad accident or fortune befell him, going in, or comming out, *Socrates* still kept the same countenance: Euen so should a Christian souldier doe, as *Hierome* describes him, *per infamiam & bonam famam grassari ad immortalitatem*, march on through good & bad reports to immortality, ⁵ not to be moued. Yea but I am shamed and disgraced, degraded, exploded, I haue beene stigmatized, whipt at post, arraigned and condemned, I am a common obloquy, I haue lost mine cares, odious, execrable, abhor'd of God and men. Be content 'tis but a nine daies wonder, and as one sorrow driues out another, one passion another, one clowd another, one rumor is expelled by another: It will be forgotten in an instant, be it theft, rape, murder, incest, treason, thou art not the first offender, nor shalt bee the last, 'tis no wonder, euery day such malefactors are called in question, nothing so common,

Quocumq; in populo, quocumq; sub axe, Comfort thy selfe thou art not

¹ Siquidem maiorum proprium est inferre damna, & bonorum pedisse qua est iniuria.

† Alciat embl.

² Naturam expellit furca li- cet usq; recur- ret.

³ By many indignities wee come to dignities.

Tibi subiecto que sunt alijs furum, conuicia etc. & in us in te admisis non exardescas. E- pictetus.

⁴ Hoc scio pro certo quod si cum stercore certo, Vinco seu vincor, semper ego maculor.

⁵ Obloquutus est, probriumq; tibi intulit quispiam, siue vera si dixerit, siue falsa, maximam tibi coronam texuerit, si manseris, et conuictum tuleris. *Chrys. in 6. cap. ad Rom. ser. 10.*

⁶ Tullius epist. Dolabella, tu fortis sis animo, & tua moderatio, constantia, eorum infamet iniuriam.

nor the sole man. If hee that were guiltlesse himselfe should sling the first stone at thee, & he alone should accuse thee that were faultlesse; how many executioners, how many accusers wouldst thou haue? If euery mans sinnes were written in his forehead, & secret faults knowne, how many thousands would parallell, if not exceed thine offence? It may bee the Judge that gaue sentence, the Jury that condemned thee, the spectators that gazed on thee, deserued much more, and were farre more guilty then thou thy selfe. But it is thine infelicity to be taken, to be made a publike example of Justice, to bee a terror to the rest, yet should euery man haue to his desert, thou wouldst peradventure be a Saint in comparison; *vexat censura columbas*, poore souls are punished, the great ones doe 20 thousand times worse, and are not so much as spoken of. Be not dismayed, *humannum est errare*, wee are all sinners, dayly and hourelly subiect to temptations, the best of vs all is an hypocrite, a grieuous offender in Gods sight, how many mortall sinnes doe we commit? Shall I say, be penitent, aske forgiuenesse, and make amendes by the sequele of thy life for that fowle offence thou hast committed, recouer thy credit by some noble exploit, become a new man and seeke to be reformed. Hee that runnes away in battle, as *Demosthenes* said, may fight againe, & he that hath a fall, may stand as vpright as ever he did before. *Nemo desperet meliora lapsus*, a wicked liuer may be reclaimed, and proue an honest man, hee is odious in present, hissed out, an exile, may be receaued with all mens fauours, & singular applause. Let thy disgrace then be what it will, *quod fit, infectum non potest esse*, that which is past cannot be recalled, trouble not thy selfe, vex, and grieue thy selfe no more, be it obloquy, disgrace, &c. No better way, then to neglect, contemne, or seeme not to regard it, to make no reckoning of it, *deesse robur, arguit dicacitas*. If thou be guiltlesse it concernes thee not.

† *Irrita vaniloque quid curas spicula lingua,*

Latrantem curat ne alta Diana canem?

Doth the Moone care for the barking of a dogge? They scoffe and rayle at me, saith one, p and barke at me on every side, but I, like that *Albanian* dogge sometimes giuen to *Alexander* for a present, *vindico me ab illis solo contemptu*, I lye still and sleepe, vindicate my selfe by contempt alone.

* *Expers terroris Achilles armatus*. As a Tortoise in his shell, *vitute mea me inuoluo*, † or an Vrchin round, *nil moror ictus*, ° a Lizard in Cammole, I decline their fury and am safe.

Integritas virtusq. suo munimine tuta,

Non patet aduersa moribus inuidia.

Vertue and integrity are their owne fence,

Care not for envy, or what comes from thence.

Let them raile then, scoffe & slander, *sapiens contumelia non afficitur*, a wise man *Seneca* thinkes, is not moved, because he knowes, *contra Sycophanta morsum non est remedium*, there is no remedie for it, Kings and Princes, wise, graue, prudent, holy, good men, diuine, all are so served alike. † *O Iane à tergo quem nulla ciconia pinxit*, God himselfe is blasphemed: *nondum felix es si te nondum turba deridet*. I is an ordinary thing so to be misused, * *Regium est cum bene feteris male audire*, the chiefest men, and most vnderstanding are so served, let him take his † course. And as that lusty courser in *Esop*, that condemned the poore Asse, came by and by after with his bowels burst, a packe

† *Camerar. emb.*

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* *Catullus*

° *Tullius epist.*

Dolabella, tu

forti sis animo

‡ *tua modera-*

tia, constantia,

eorum infames

iniuriam.

† *Lipsius elect.*

lib. 2. cap. ult.

Latrant me, ia-

ces actaceo, &c

° *The symbole*

of I. Kevenbe-

der a Carin-

thian Baron

saith Sambucus

* *The symbole*

of Gonzaga

duke of Man-

tua.

† *Fers. Sat. i.*

* *Magni animi*

est iniurias de-

picere. Seneca de

ira. cap. 32.

† *Quid turpina*

quam sapientis

vitam ex inspi-

entia sermone

pendere? Tullius

2. de Finibus.

* *Tua te conscientia solare, in cubiculum ingredere, ubi secura requiescas. Minui se quodammodo probatis conscientie secretum.*

Boethius lib. 1. prof. 4.

* *Ringatur licet & maledicant, Palladium illud pectori oppono. Non Moveri: consisto modestie veluti sudi inmentem, excipio & frango stultissimum impetum livoris. Putcan. lib. 2. epist. 58.*

* *Mil. glor. Act. 3. Plautus.*

* *Bion said his father was a roague, his mother a whore to prevent obloquy, and to shew that nought belonged to him burgoods of the minde.*

on his backe, and was derided of the same Asse, *contemnentur ab ijs quos ipsi prius contempserunt, & irridentur ab ijs quos ipsi prius irriserunt*, they shall be contemned and laughed to scorn of those whom they have formerly derided. Let them curle and sweare, faine and lie, doe thou comfort thy selfe with a good conscience, *in sinu gaudeas*, when they have all done, a good conscience is a continuall feast, innocencie will vindicate it selfe. *Elogium mihi pro foribus*, my posie is, not to be mooved, that my Palladium, my brestplate, my buckler, with which I ward off all iniuries, offences, lies, slanders, I leane upon that stake of modestie, and so receiue and breake asunder all that foolish force of *Livor* and *Splene*. And he whosoever he is that shall obserue these short instructions, without all question he shall much ease and benefit himselfe. In fine, if Princes would doe Iustice, Iudges be vpright, Cleargie men be truly devout, & so liue as they teach, if great men would not be so insolent, if souldiers would quietly defend vs, the poore would be patient, rich men would be liberall and humble, Cittizens honest, Magistrates meeke, superiours would giue good example, subiects peaceable, young men would stand in awe: if Parents would be kinde to their children, and they againe obedient to their Parents, brethren agree amongst themselves, enemies be reconciled, servants trusty to their Masters, Virgins chaste, Wiues modest, Husbandes would be loving and lesse iealous: If we could imitate *Christ* and his Apostles, liue after Gods laws, these mischiefes would not so frequently happen amongst vs, but being most part so irrecocileable as we are, perverse, proud, insolent, factious and malicious, prone to contention anger and revenge, of such fiery spirits, so captious, impious, irreligious, so opposite to vertue, void of grace, how should it otherwise be? Many men are very testie by nature, apt to mistake, apt to quarrell, apt to provoke & misinterpret to the worst, every thing that is said or done, and therevpon heape vnto themselves a great deale of trouble, and disquietnesse to others, smatterers in other mens matters, tale bearers, whisperers, lyers, they cannot speake in season, or hold their tongues when they should, * *Et suam partem itidem tacere, cum aliena est oratio*: and by those bad courses accumulate much evil to their own soules, (*qui contendit, sibi conuitium facit*,) their life is a perpetuall brawle, they snarle like so many dogges with their wines, children, servants, neighbours, and all the rest of their friends, they can agree with no body; But to such as are iudicious, meeke, and quiet, these matters are easily remedied: they will forbear vpon all such occasions, neglect, contemne, or take no notice of them, dissemble, or wisely turne it off. If it be a naturall impediment, as a red nose, squint eyes, crooked legs, or any such imperfection, infirmitie, disgrace, reproach, the best way is to speake of it first thy selfe, and so thou shalt surely take away all occasions from others to iest at, or contemne it, that they may perceiue thee to be carelesse of it. *Vatinius* was wont to scoffe at his owne deformed feete, to prevent his enemies obloquies and sarcasmes in that kind; or else by prevention, as *Cotys* King of *Thrace*, that brake a company of fine glasses presented to him, with his owne hands, lest he should be overmuch moved when they were broken by chance. And sometimes againe, so that it be discreetly and moderatly done, it shall not be amisse to make resistance, to take downe such a sawcie companion, no better means to vindicate himselfe to purchase finall peace: for he that suffers himselfe to be ridden, or through

through pusillanimity or sottishnes will let every man baffle him, shall bee a common laughing-stocke for all to flowt at. As a curre that goes through a Village, if he clap his taile betweene his legs, and run away, every curre will insult over him, but if he bristle vp himselfe, and stand to it, glue but a counter-snarle, there's not a dogge dare medle with him: much is in a mans courage and discreete carriage of himselfe.

Many other grievances there are, which happen to man in this life, from friends, wiues, children, servants, masters, companions, neighbours, our own defaults, ignorance, errours, infirmities, &c. and many good remedies to mitigate and oppose them, many divine precepts to counterpoise our hearts, speciall antidotes both in Scriptures and humane Authors, which who so will obserue, shall purchase much ease and quietnesse vnto himselfe, I will point at a few. Those Prophetical, Apostolical admonitions, are wel known to all, what Solomon, Siracides, our Saviour Christ himselfe hath said tending to this purpose: as Feare God, obey the Prince: be sober and watch: pray continually: be angry, but sinne not: remember thy last: fashion not your selues to this world. &c. apply your selues to the times: strue not with a mighty man: recompence good for euill: let nothing be done through contention or vaine glory, but with meekenesse of minde every man esteeming of others better then himselfe. Or that Epitome of the Law and the Prophets, which our Saviour inculcates, loue God above all, thy neighbour as thy selfe. And whatsoever you would that men should doe vnto you, so doe vnto them, which Alexander Severus writ in letters of Gold, and vsed as a motto, and Hierome commends to Celantia as an excellent way, amongst so many intisements and worldly provocations to rectifie her life. Out of humane Authors take these few cautions, * Know thy selfe. & Be contented with thy lot. † Trust not wealth, beauty nor parasites, they will bring thee to destruction. ‡ Haue peace with all men, war with vice. § Be not idle. ¶ Looke before you leape. † Beware of had I wist. * Honor thy parents, speake well of friends. Be temperate in 4 things, lingua, loculis, oculis, & poculis, watch thine eye, moderate thine expenses, Heare much, speake little, † sustine & abstine. If thou seest ought amisse in another, mend it in thy selfe. Keepe thine owne counsell, reueale not thy secrets, be silent in thine intentions, § Give not eare to tale-tellers, bablers, be not scurrilous in conversation: * iest without bitternesse, giue no man cause of offence, set thine house in order. † Take heed of suretyship. † Fide & diffide, as a Fox on the yce, take heed whom you trust. † Liue not beyond thy meanes. † Giue chearefully. Pay thy dues willingly. † Be not a slave to thy money. † Omit not occasion, embrace opportunitie, loose no time. Be humble to thy superiour, respectiue to thine equall, affable to all, † but not familiar. Flatter no man. † Lie not, dissemble not. Keepe thy word and promise, be constant in a good resolution. Speake truth. Be not opinatiue, mainetaine no factions. Lay no wagers, make no comparisons. † Finde no faults, meddle not with other mens matters. Admire not thy selfe. † Be not proud or popular. Insult not. Fortunam reuerenter habe. † Feare not that which cannot be avoided. † Griue not for that which cannot be recalled. * Vnder-value not thy selfe. Accuse no man, commend no man rashly. Goe not to Law without great cause.

^m Nimia familiaritas parit contemptum. ⁿ Mendacium servile vitium. ^o Arcanum neq. tu scrutaberis ullius. unquam, Commis-
sumq. teges. Hor. li. 1. ep. 19. Nec tua laudabis studia aut aliena reprehendes. Hor. ep. lib. 18. † Ne te quæseris extra. ‡ Stultum est time-
re, quod vitari non potest. † De re amissa irreparabili ne doleas. * Tanti eris alij quanti tibi fueris. † Neminem citò laudes vel accuses.

^a Lib. 2. ep. 25.
^x Nescis animum
^y Sorie tua con-
terius abi.

^c Ne fidas opi-
bus, neq. paraf-
ti irabia in
precipitum.

^d Pacem cum
hominibus habet,
bellum cum vi-
tjs. Otho 2. Im-
perat. lymb.

^e Demon te
nunquam otio-
sum inveniat.
Hieron.

^f De deliberan-
dum quon statu-
culum est semel.

^g Fugientis est
dicere non pu-
taram.

^h Amos parentē
si equum, aliter
feras, presies pa-
rentibus picta-
tam, amicis dile-
ctam.

ⁱ Compriue lin-
guam. Quid de
quod, vivo &
qui dicis fac, e
carcio. Libenti-
us audias quon
loquaris, vive
et vivas.

^j Epictetus opti-
me feceris si ea
feceris quæ in a-
lio reprehendis.
Nemini dixeris
quæ nolis effari.

^k Fuge iustitias
nes. Per cōtorē
fugito, &c.

^l Sint sales si-
ne dente, ioci si-
ne villitate, Sen.

^m Sponde, presto
noxa.

ⁿ Tecum habita.

^o Bis dat qui
cūdat.

^p Camerar. emb.
55. cent. 2. cave
cui credas, vel
nemini fidas.

^q Epicharmus.
^r Post est occasio
calva.

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Cast not off an old friend, take heede of a reconciled enemy. ¹ If thou come as a guest stay not too long. Be not unthankfull. Be meeke, mercifull and patient. Doe good to all. Be not fond of faire words. ^{*} Be not a neuter in a faction. Moderate thy passions. [†] Thinke no place without a witnesse. [‡] Admonish thy friend in secret, commend him in publike. Keepe good company. ² Love others to be beloved thy selfe. Ama tanquam osurus. Amicus tardò fias. Provide for a tempest. Noli irritare crabrones. Doe not prostitute thy soule for gaine. Make not a foole of thy selfe to make others merry. Marry not an old Cronie or a foole for money. Be not over solicitous or curious. [†] Seeke that which may bee found. ^{*} Seeme not greater then thou art. [†] Take thy pleasure soberly. Ocymum ne terito. [‡] Live merrily as thou canst. ² Take heede by other mens examples. Goe as thou wouldest be met, sit as thou wouldest be found. ^a Teeld to the time, follow the streame. Wilt thou live free from feares and cares? ^b Live innocently, keepe thy selfe upright, thou needest no other keeper, &c. Looke for more in Isocrates, Seneca, Plutarch, Epictetus, &c. and for defect, consult with cheese-trenchers, and painted cloathes.

¹ Nullius in opibus grata est mora longa.

^{*} Solonis lex apud Aristotelem. Gellius, lib. 2. cap. 12.

[†] Nulli in locum putes sine teste, semper adesse deum cogita.

[‡] Secretò amicos admone, laudam palam.

² Ut amicus amabilis esto Eros & Anteros gemelli Veneris, id est, amatis & redamatio Plat.

[†] Dum fata simunt vivite leti, Seneca.

² Id apprimè in vita utile, Ex alijs observare sibi quod ex usu fiet. Ter.

^a Dum furor in curia currenti cede furori. Crete. Temporebus servi, nec contra flamina flato.

^b Nulla certior custodia innocentia, in expugnabile munimento non egere.

^c Vnicuique suum omnis intolerabile videtur.

[†] Plautus.

MEMBR. 8.

Against Melancholy it selfe.

EVery man, saith Seneca, thinkes his owne burthen the heaviest, and a melancholy man above all others complaines most, Wearines of life, abhorring all company and light, feare, sorrow, suspition, bashfulness, and those other dread Symptomes of body and minde, must needes aggravate this misery: yet conferred to other maladies, they are not so haynous as they be taken. For first this disease is either in habit or disposition, curable or incurable. If new and in disposition, 'tis commonly pleasant, and it may be helped. If inveterate, or an habite, yet they haue lucida intervalla, sometimes well, and sometimes ill: And amongst many inconveniences, some comforts are annexed to it. First it is not catching, and as Erasmus comforted himselfe, when he was grievously sicke of the stone, though it was most troublesome, and an intolerable paine to him, yet it was no whit offensive to others, not loathsome to the spectators, gasty, fulsome, terrible, as plagues, Apoplexies, leprosy, wounds, sores, tetter, pestilent agues are, which either admit of no company, or terrifie or offend those that are present. In this maladie that which is, is wholly to themselves: and those symptoms not so dreadfull, if they be compared to the opposite extreames. They are most part bashfull, suspitious, solitary, &c: therefore no such ambitious, impudent intruders, as some are, no smel-sealts, praters, panders, parasites, bawdes, drunkards, whoremasters, necessity compels the to be honest. They are freed in this from many other infirmities, solitariness makes them more apt to contemplate, suspition wary, which is a necessary humor in these times, ^d Nam pol qui maximè cavet, is sapè cautior captus est, he that takes most heed, is often circumvented and overtaken. Feare and sorrow, keep them temperate and sober, and free them from many dissolute acts, which iollity and boldnes thrust men vpon: They are therefore no sicary, theeves or assassins. As they are soone dejected, so they are as soone, by lost words & good perswa-

persuasions reared. If they dote in one thing they are wise and well understanding in most other. If it be inveterate, they are *insensati*, most part doing, or quite mad, insensible of any wrongs, ridiculous to others, but most happy and secure to themselves. Dotage is a state which many much magnifie and commend: so is simplicity, and folly, as he said, *hic furor ô superi, sit mihi perpetuus*. Some think fooles and disards liue the merriest liues, as *Ajax* in *Sophocles*, *Nihil scire vita iucundissima*, 'tis the pleasantest life to know nothing: they are not macerated with cares, tormented with feares, and anxieties, as other wise men are: and in some^e countries, as amongst the *Turkes*, honored as Saints, and abundantly maintained out of the common stocke. They are no dissemblers, liers, hypocrites, for fooles and madmen tell commonly truth. In a word as they are distressed, so are they pittied, which some hold better then to be envied, better to be sad then merry, better to be foolish and quiet, *quàm sapere & ringi*, to bee wise and still vexed; better to be miserable then happy: of two extreames it is the best.

^e *Petranius Cat.*

^f *Buſbequius.*

Sandes lib. 1.

fol. 86.

[†] *Quis hodie beatior quàm cur licet stultum esse, & eorumdem immunitatibus frui. Sas. Menip.*

SECT. 4.

MEME. I. SVBSEC. I.

Of Physicke which cureth with Medicines.

After a long and tedious Discourse of these six non-naturall things, & their severall rectifications, all which are comprehended in Diet, I am come now at last to *Pharmaceutice*, or that kind of Physick which cureth by medicines, which Apothecaries most part make or mingle, or sell in their shops. Many cavill at this kinde of Physick, and hold it vnnecessary, vnprofitable to this or any other disease, because those countries which vse it least, liue longest, and are best in health, as *Hector Boëthius* relates of the *Iles of Orchades*, the people are still sound of Body and Minde, without any vse of Physicke, they liue commonly an 120 yeares, and *Ortelius* in his *Itinerary* of the Inhabitants of the Forrest of *Arden*, [†] they are very painfull, long-lined, sound &c. ^{*} *Martianus Capella*, speaking of the *Indians* of his time, saith, they were (much like our western *Indians* now) bigger then ordinary men, bred coarsly, very long lined, in so much, that he that died at 100 yeeres of age, went before his time, &c. *Damianus A-Goes*, *Saxo Grammaticus*, *Aubanus Bohemus*, say the like of them that liue in *Norway*, *Lapland*, *Finmarke*, *Biarmia*, *Corelia*, all over *Scandia*, and those Northerne Countries, they are most healthfull, and very long-lived, in which places there is no vse at all of Physick, the name of it is not once heard. *Dithmarus Bleskenius* in his accurate description of *Island 1607*, makes mention amongst other matters, of the Inhabitants and their manner of living, ^h which is dried fish instead of bread, butter, cheese, and salt meates, most part they drinke water and whay, & yet without Physick or Physitian, they liue many of them 250 yeares. I find the same relation by *Lerius*, and some other Writers of *Indians* in *America*. *Paulus Iovius* in his description of *Brittaine*, and *Levinus Lemnius*, obserue as much of this our *Island*, that there was of old no vse of Physick amongst vs, and but little

^e *Lib. 1. hist.*

[†] *Parvo vivent, laboriosi, longevi, (no contenti, ad centum annos vivunt.*

^{*} *Lib. 6. de Nup.*

Philol. Vitæ humanam fragilitatem prolixo, ut immaturæ, pereat qui centenarius moritur, &c.

^h *Victus eorum caseo & lacte consistit, potus aqua & serum, pisces loco panis habent, ita multos annos sepe 250. absq; medico & medicinis vivunt.*

ⁱ *Lib. de 4. complex.*

little at this day, except it be for a few nice idle citizens, sursetting Courtiers, and staulfed Gentlemen lubbers. The country people vse kitchin Physicke, and common experience tels vs, that they liue freest from all manner of infirmities, that make least vse of Physicke. Many are ouerthrowne by preposterous vse of it, and thereby get their bane, that might otherwise haue escaped; * some thinke Physitians kill as many as they saue, and who can tell

* Per mories agunt experientia, & animas nostras negotiantur, & quod aliis exitiale hominem occidere, in impunitas summa. Plinius.

* Juven.
Omnia morbus lethalis aut curabilis, in vitam desinit, aut in mortem. Proq, igitur modo medicina in stilo, si lethalis, curari non potest; si curabilis, non requirit medicum, Natura expellet.

m Prefat. de contradi. med.

n Opinio facit medicum: a faire gowne, a veler cap, the name of a Doctor is all in all.

o Contrarias proferunt sententias. Cardan.

r Lib.3. de ap. Omnes artes fraudem admittunt, sola medicina sponte eam asserit.

k Quot Themison egros autumno occiderit uno?

many that did ill vnder the Physitians hands, haue happily escaped, when they haue bin giuen ouer by them, and left to God & Nature, & themselves. T'was Pliny's dilemma of old, ¹ Every disease is either curable or incurable, a man recouers of it, or is killed by it, both wayes Physicke is to be reiected. If it bee deadly, it cannot be cured, if it may be helped, it requires no Physitian, Nature will expell it of her selfe. Plato made it a great signe of an intemperate and corrupt common-wealth, where Lawyers and Physitians did abound, and the Romanes distasted them so much, that they were often banished out of their city, as Pliny and Celsus relate, for 600 yeares not admitted. It is no art at all, as some hold, the beginning, practice, and progresse of it, all is naught, full of imposture, incertainty, and doth generally more harme then good. The Diuell himselfe was the first inventor of it. *Inuentum est medicina meum*, said Apollo, & what was Apollo but the Diuel. The Greekes first made an Art of it, & they were all deluded by Apollo's sonnes, Priests, Oracles. If we may beleue Varro, Pliny, Columella, most of their best medicines were deriued from his oracles. *Æsculapius* his son had his temples erected to his Deity, and did many famous cures, but as *Lactantius* holds, he was a Magitian, a meere Impostor, and as his successors, *Phaon*, *Podalirius*, *Melampus*, *Menecrates* (another god) by charmes, spels, and ministry of bad spirits, did most of their cures. The first that euer wrote in Physicke to any purpose, was *Hippocrates*, and his Disciple and Commentator *Galen*, whom *Scaliger* calls *Fimbriam Hippocratis*, but as ^m *Cardan* censures them both, immethodicall and obscure, as all those old ones are, their precepts confused, their medicines obsolete, & now most part reiected. Those cures which they did, *Paracelsus* holds, were rather done out of their Patients confidence, ⁿ & good opinion they had of them, then out of any skill of theirs, which was very small, he saith, and they themselves Idiots and Infants, and all their Academicall followers. The Arabians receiued it from the Greekes, and so the Latines, adding new precepts & medicines of their own, but so imperfect still, either through ignorance of Professors, Impostors, Mountebankes, Empiricks, disagreeing of Sectaries, envy, couetousnesse, and the like, they doe much harme amongst vs. They are so different in their consultations, prescriptions, mistaking many times the parties constitution, disease, and causes of it, they giue quite contrary Physicke, one saith this, another that, out of singularity or opposition, as he said of *Adrian*, *multitudo medicorum principem interfecit*, a multitude of Physitians hath killed the Emperour. Besides, there is much imposture and malice amongst them, All arts (saith ^p *Cardan*) admit of cosening, Physicke amongst the rest, doth appropriate it to her selfe; and tells a story of one *Curtius* a Physitian in Venice, because he was a stranger, and practised amongst them, the rest of the Physitians did still crosse him in all his precepts. If he prescribed hot medicines, they would prescribe cold, *miscentes pro calidis frigida, pro frigidis*

humid-

humida, propurgantibus astringentia, binders for purgatiues, *omnia perturbant*. If the party miscarried, *Curtium damnabant*, then Curtius killed him, that disagreed from them: If he recouered, then they cured him theselues. Much emulation, imposture, malice, there is amongst them: or if they be honest, and meane well, yet a knaue Apothecary, that administers the Physick, and makes the medicine, may doe infinite harme, by their old obsolete doses, adulterine drugs, bad mixtures, *quid pro quo*, &c. see *Fuchsius lib. 1. sect. 1. cap. 3. Cordus Dispensatory*, and *Brassivola's examen simpl. &c.* But it is their ignorance that doth most harme, their Art is wholly coniecturall, vncertaine, imperfect, and got by killing of men, many diseases they cannot cure at all, as Apoplexy, Epilepsy, Stone, Strangury, Gowt,

Tollere nodosam nescit medicina Podagram.

quartan agues, a common ague sometimes stumbles them all, they cannot so much as ease, they know not how to iudge of it. If by Pulses, that doctrine some hold, is wholly suspitious, and I dare boldly say with *Andrew Dudeth*, that variety of pulses described by Galen, is neither obserued nor understood of any. And for vrine, that is *meretrix medicorum*, the most deceitfull thing of all, as *Forestus* and some other Physitians haue proued at large: I say nothing of Criticke dayes, errors in Indications &c. The most rationall of them, and most skilfull, are so often deceiued, that as *Tholosanus* inferres, I had rather beleene and commit my selfe to a meere Emperick, then to a meere Doctor, and I cannot sufficiently commend that custome of the Babylonians, that haue no professed Physitians, but bring all the Patients to the market to be cured. Which *Herodotus* relates of the Egyptians, *Strabo*, *Sardus*, and *Anbanus Bohemus* of many other nations. *Cambises* in *Xenophon* told *Cyrus*, that to his thinking, Physitians were like Taylors and Coblers, the one mended our sicke bodies, as the other did our clothes: but I will vrge these cavilling and contumelious arguments no farther, lest some Physitian should mistake me, and deny mee Physicke when I am sicke: for my part, I am well perswaded of Physicke. I can distinguish the abuse from the vse, in this and many other Arts and Sciences, *abundum vinum, aliud ebrietas*, wine and drunkenesse are two distinct things. I honour the name, and magnify the calling, as I am inioyned to honor the Physitian for necessities sake. The knowledge of the Physitian listeth vp his head, and in the sight of great men he shall be admired. The Lord hath created medicines of the earth, and he that is wise will not abhorre them, *Eccles. 58. 1.* Only this I will adde, that this kind of Physicke is very moderately and advisedly to be vsed, vpon good occasion, when the former of Diet will not take place. And tis no other which I say, then that which *Arnoldus* prescribes in his 8. Aphorif. *A discreet and godly Physitian doth first endeavour to expell a disease by medicinall diet, then by pure medicine: and in his ninth, hee that may be cured by Diet, must not meddle with Physicke: and in his 11. Aphorif. A modest and wise Physitian, will neuer hasten to vse medicines, but vpon urgent necessity, and that sparingly too: because as he addes in his 13. Aphor. 1 whoeuer takes much Physicke in his youth, shall soone bewaile it in his olde age: Purgatiue Physicke especially, which doth much debilitate Nature. For which causes some Physitians refraine from the vse of Purgatiues, or els sparingly vse them. 2 *Henricus Ayrenus* in a consult. for a melancholy person, would haue him take as few purges as he could, because there be no such me-*

9 Omnis agrotus, propria culpa perit, sed nemo nisi in dici beneficio restituitur. Agrippa. Lib. 3. Crat. epist. Wicessao Raphano. Assim dicere, tot pulorum diffrentias, quo describuntur a Galeno, nec a quoquam intelligi nec oseruari posse.

Lib. 23. cap. 7. syntax. art. mirab: Allem ego expertus credero solam, quam meretrix medicorum, reuocantibus, neq. satis laudare possum institutum Babylonicum, &c. t Cyp. lib. 1. Velut amictum refractorum resacinatorum, &c. t Chrysost. hom. 2. Prudens & pius medicus, morbum ante expellere satagit, cibis medicinalibus, quam puris medicinis.

Quicunq. potest per alimenta restitui s. nias, fugiendus est penitus vsus medicamentorum.

Modestus & sapiens medicus, nunquam properabit ad Pharmaciam, nisi cogente necessitate.

Quicunq. pharmacatur in inuentate, destitit in senectute.

Hildish. epic. 2. de mel. fol. 276. Nulla est serm medicina purgans, que non a liquam de viribus, & partibus corporis depra-

datur.

^a Lib. 1. & Bart.
lib. 1. cap. 12.
^b 2. de vict.
acut. Omne pur-
gans medicamē-
tum, corpori pur-
gato contrarium
est. Succos &
spiritus addu-
cit, substantiam
corporis auferit.

dicines, which doe not steale away some of our strength, and rob the parts of our body, weaken Nature, and cause that Cachochymia, which ^a Celsus and others obserue, or ill digestion, and bad iuyce through all the parts of it. ^a Galen him- selfe confesseth, that purgative Physicke is contrary to Nature, and takes away some of our best spirits, and consumes the very substance of our body. But this without question, is to be vnderstood of such purgers as are vnseasonably or immoderately taken, they haue their excellent vse in this, as well as most other infirmities. Of Alteratiues & Cordials, no man doubts, be they simples or compounds. I will amongst that infinite variety of medicines, which I finde in euery Pharmacopœa, euery Physitian, Herbalist &c. single out some of the chiefeest.

SVBSEC. 2.

*Simples proper to Melancholy, Against
Exoticke Simples.*

^a Hesiod. op.
^d Hernius pref.
prax med. Quot
morborum sunt
Ideæ, tot reme-
diorum genera
varius potentijs
decorata.
^e Penotius de-
nar. med. Qua-
cunq; regio pro-
ducit simplicia,
pro morbis regi-
onis. Crescit raro
absinthium in
Italia, quod ibi
plerumq; morbi
calidi, sed cicu-
ta, papauer, &
herbe frigide,
apud nos Ger-
manos & Pole-
nos ubiq; pro-
nit absinthium.
^f Quum in wil-
lam venit, consi-
deravit que ibi
crescebant me-
dicamenta, sim-
plicia frequen-
tia, & iis ple-
rumq; usus di-
stillatis. & ali-
ter alimbecum
ideo argenteum
circumferens.
^h Herbe medi-
cis viles omni-
um in Apulia
feracissime.
ⁱ Geog. Ad quos
magnus herba-
riorum numerus
vndiq; conflu-
it Sincerus Itiner.
Gallia.

Medicines properly applied to Melancholy, are either *Simple* or *Compound*. *Simples* are *Alterative* or *Purgative*. *Alteratiues* are such as correct, strengthen Nature, alter, or any way hinder or resist the dis- ease, and they bee hearbes, stones, minerals, &c. all proper to this humour. For as there be diuerse distinct infirmities, continually vexing vs,

Νῦν δ' ἀρχόμενοι τῶν ἰσχυρῶν ἐν' ὁμῇ συνῆλθον
Αὐτομάτου ποσὶ δαίμονος ὀφθαλμοῖσι φέροντες
Σειρῇ, ἔπειτα παρὰ τὸ ἑξήμισθον μάλιστα Ζεὺς.

Diseases steale both day and night on men,
For *Iupiter* hath taken voice from them.

So there be seuerall remedies, as ^d he saith for euery disease a medicine, for euery humour; and as some hold, every clime, euery country, and more then that, every private place hath his proper remedies growing in it, peculiar almost to the domineering and most frequent maladies of it. As ^e one discouerseth, *wormwood* growes sparingly in Italy, because most part there they bee misaffected with hot diseases, but *henbane*, *poppy*, and such cold hearbes. with vs in Germany, Poland, great store of it in every waste. *Baracellus Horto geniali*, and *Baptista Porta Physiognomica*, lib. 6. cap. 23. giue many instances and examples of it, and bring many other proofes. For that cause belike that learned *Fuchsius* of *Noremberge*, ^f when he came into a Village, considered alwaies what hearbes did growe most frequently about it, and those he distilled in a silver Limbecke, and made vse of others amongst them as occasion serued. I knowe that many are of opinion, our Northerne simples are weake, vnperfect, not so well concocted, of such force, as those in the Southerne parts, not so fit to be vsed in Physicke, and will therefore fetch their druggs a farre off, *Sena*, *Cassia* out of *Egypt*, *Rubarbe* from *Barbary*, *Aloes* from *Zocotora*, *Turbith*, *Agerick*, *Mirabolanes*, *Hermodactils*, from the *East Indies*, *Tobacco* from the *West*, and some as farre as *China*, *Hellebor* from the *Antycire*, or that of *Austria* which beares the purple flowre, which *Mathiolus* so much commends, and so of the rest. In the kingdome of *Valence* in *Spaine*, & *Maginus* commends two mountaines, *Mariola* and *Rena Golosa*, famous for sim-
ples,

ples. *Leander Albertus*, † *Baldus* a mountaine neere the lake *Benacus* in the territory of *Verona*, to which all the herbalists in the country continually flocke. *Ortelius* one in *Apulia*, *Munster* *Mons maior* in *Histria*: others *Montpelier* in *France*, *Prosper Altinus* preferres *Egyptian* simples, *Garcias* ab *Horso*, *Indian* before the rest, another those of *Italy*, *Crete*, &c. Many times they are ouer curious in this kinde, whom *Fuchsius* taxeth, *Instit. lib. 1. sec. 1. cap. 1.* that thinke they doe nothing, except they rake over all *India*, *Arabia*, *Aethiopia* for remedies, and fetch their physicke from the three quarters of the World, and from beyond the *Garamantes*. Many an old wife or country woman doth often more good with a few knowen and common garden hearbes, then our burnbaste Physicians, with all their prodigious sumptuous farre fetched, rare, coniecturall medicines. Without all question if we haue not these rare Exoticke simples, we haue that at home which is in vertue equivalent vnto them, ours will serue as well as theirs if they be taken in a proportionable quantity, be fitted and qualified aright, if not much better, and more proper to our constitutions. But so 'tis for the most part, as *Pliny* writes to *Gallus*, * *We are carelesse of that which is neere vs, and follow that which is a farre off. to knowe which we will trauell and sayle beyond the seas, wholly neglecting that which is vnder our eyes.* *Opium* in *Turkie* doth scarce offend, with vs in a small quantitie it stupifies: *cicuta* or hemlocke is a strong poyson in *Greece*, but with vs it hath no such violent effects: so that I conclude with † *Io. Voschius*, (who as hee much inueyes against those Exoticke medicines, so he promisseth by our *European*, a full cure, and absolute of all diseases, à capite ad calcem) nostra regionis herba nostri corporibus magis conducunt, our owne simples agree best with vs. It was a thing that *Fernelius* much laboured in his *French* practice, to reduce all his cures to our proper and domesticke physick. So did † *Ianus Cornarius*, and *Martin Rulandus* in *Germany*, T.B. with vs, as appeareth by a Treatise of his diuulged in our tongue 1615, to proue the sufficiency of *English* medicines, to the cure of all manner of diseases. If our drugges bee not altogether of such force, or so apposite, it may bee, if like industry were vsed, those farre fetched drugs would prosper as well with vs, as in those countries whence now we haue them, as well as *Cherries*, *Artichokes*, *Tobacco*, and many such. There haue beene many worthy Physicians, which haue tried excellent conclusions in this kinde, and many diligent, painefull Apothecaries, as *Gesner*, *Gerard*, &c. but amongst the rest those famous publike Gardens of *Padua* in *Italy*, *Noremberge* in *Germany*, *Leiden* in *Holland*, *Montpelier* in *France*, (and ours in *Oxford* now in fieri, at the cost and charges of the right Honorable the Lord *Danuers*) are much to be commended, wherein al Exoticke plants almost are to be seene, & a liberall allowance yearely made for their better maintenace, that yong students may be the sooner informed in the knowledge of them: which as † *Fuchsius* holds, is most necessary for that exquisite manner of curing, and as great a shame for a Physician not to obserue them, as for a workeman not to knowe his axe, saw, squire, or any other tooke, which he must of necessity vse.

† *Baldus* mons prope *Benacum* be biles maxime nouis.

* Quise nihil effecisse arbitrat nisi *Indicam*, *Aethiopiam*, *Arabiam*, & ultra *Garamantes* à tribus mundi partibus exquisita remedia contrahant.

† *Tutius* sepe medetur rustica animus vna, &c.

* *Epist. lib. 8.*

Proximorum incuiosi longinqua sectantur, & ad ea cognoscenda iter ingredi & mare transmittere solent, at que sub oculis posita negligimus.

† *Part. 2. de pest. cap. 17.*

† *Exotica reiecit, domesticis solum nos contentos esse voluit. Melch. Adamus vii. eius.*

† *Iustic. lib. 1. cap. 3. sec. 1. ad exquisitam curandi rationem, quorum cognitio imprimis necessaria est.*

Alteratiues. Hearbes. Other Creatures, &c.

AMongst those 800 simples, which *Galeottus* reckons vp, lib. 3. de pro-
miste. doct. cap. 3. and many exquisite Herbalists haue written of, these
few following alone, I finde appropriated to this humour: Of which

^a Que cada vi
ac specificā qua-
litate morbos
futuros arcent
Lib. 1. cap. 10.
Instit. Phar.
^o Galen lib. e-
par lupi epati-
cos curat.
^p Stercus peco-
ris ad Epilepsi-
am &c.
^q Prestipintle,
rocket.
^r Sabina fetum
educit.
^s Wecker. Vide
Oswaldum Cro-
liam lib. de In-
ternis rerum sig-
naturis de her-
bis particulari-
bus parti cuius
conuenientibus.

some be alteratiues, ⁿ which by a secret force, saith *Renodius*, and special qua-
lity expell future diseases, perfectly cure those which are, & many such incurable
effects. This is as well obserued in other plants, stones, minerals, & creatures
as in hearbs, in other maladies as in this. How many things are related of a
mans skull? what seuerall vertues of cornes in a horse legge, ^o of a Woolfes
liver, &c. of diuerse p excrements of beasts, all good against seuerall diseases?
What extraordinary vertues are ascribed vnto plants? *Satyrium* & *eruca*, *Pe-
nem* erigunt, *virex* & *nymphae semen* extinguunt, ^t some hearbes provoke
lust, some againe, as *agnus Castus*, water-lilly, quite extinguisheth seed, poppy
causeth sleep, Cabbige resisteth drunkenesse, &c. and that which is more
to be admired, that such and such plants, should haue a peculiar vertue to
such particular parts, ^f as to the head Aniseeds, foalefoot, Betony, Calamint
Eye-bright, Lauander, Bayes, Roses, Rue, Sage, Marjoram, Piony, &c. For
the lungs Calamint, Lichoras, Enula campana, Hyssop, Horehound, water
Germander, &c. For the heart, Borage, Buglosse, Saffrō, Bawm, Basill, Rose-
mary, Violets, Roses, &c. For the stomacke, Wormewood, Mints, Betony,
Bawme, Centaury, Sorell, Purfelane. For the liuer, Darts spineor *Camapitys*,
Germander, Agrimony, Fennell, Endiue, Succory, Liuerwort, Barbaries. For
the spleene, maiden-haire, fingerfearne, dodder of thyme, hops, the rinde of
ash. For the kidneyes, grummell, parslly, saxifrage, plantaine, mallowe. For
the wombe, mugwort, pennyriall, fetherfew, savine, &c. For the ioynets, Ca-
momile, St Johnswort, organ, rue, couslips, centaury the lesse, &c. And so to
peculiar diseases. To this of melancholy you shall find a Catalogue of herbs
proper, and that in every part. See more in *Wecker*, *Renodius*, *Hernius* lib. 2.
cap. 19. &c. I will briefly speake of some of them, as first of alteratiues, which
Galen in his third booke of diseased parts, preferres before diminutiues, and
Trallianus brags, that hee hath done more cures on melancholy men ^e by
moistning, then by purging of them.

^e Idem Lauren-
tius cap 9
Borage.

^u Dicor Borage,
gaudia semper
ago.
^x Vino insusum
hilaritatem fa-
cit.
Bawme.
^y Lib 2. cap. 2.
prax. med. nira
vilitatem pre-
bet, & cor con-
firmat, apores
melancholicos
purgat & spiriti-
bus.

In this Catalogue, Borage and Buglosse may challenge the chiefest place,
whether in substance, iuice, roots, seeds, flowres, leanes, decoctions, distilled
waters, extracts, oyles, &c. for such kinde of hearbs bee diuersly varied. Bug-
losse is hot and moist, and therefore worthily reckoned vp amongst those
hearbs, which expell melancholy, and ^u exhilarate the heart. *Galen* lib. 6. cap.
80. de simpl. med. *Dioscorides* lib. 4. cap. 123. *Pliny*, much magnifie this plant.
It may be diuersly vsed, as in Broth, in ^x Wine, in Conserues, Syrups, &c. It
is an excellent cordiall, and against this malady most frequently prescribed.

Melissa Bawme, hath an excellent vertue to alter Melancholy, bee it stee-
ped in our ordinary drinke, extracted, or otherwise taken. *Cardan*, lib. 8. much
admires this hearbe. It heats and dries, saith *Hernius*, in the second degree,
and with a wonderfull vertue it comforts the heart, and purgeth all melan-
choly

choly vapors from the spirits, *Mathiol. in lib. 3. cap. 10. in Dioscoridem.* Besides they ascribe other vertues to it, ^a as to helpe concoction, to cleanse the braine, and expell all carefull thoughts, and anxious imaginations: The same words in effect are in *Auicenna, Pliny, Simon Sethi, Fuchsius, Leobel, Delcampius, and every Herbalist.* Nothing better for him that is melancholy then to sleepe this and Borage in his ordinary drinke.

Mathiolus in his fift booke of medicinall Epistles, reckons vp *Scorzoner*a, ^a not against payson only, falling sicknesse, and such as are vertiginous, but to this malady, the root of it taken by it selfe expells sorrow, & causeth mirth & lightnesse of heart.

Lupulus, hop, is a foueraigne remedy, *Fuchsius cap. 58. Plant. hist.* much extolls it, ^b it purgeth all choler, and purifies the blood, *Mathiol. cap. 140. in 4. Dioscor.* wonders the Physitians of his time made no more vse of it, because it rarifies and cleanseth: we vse it in our ordinary beere, which before was thick and fulsome.

Wormwood, Centaury, Penniriell, are likewise magnified and much prescribed, as I shall after shew, especially in Hypochondriacke melancholy, daily to be vsed sod in whay: and as *Ruffus Ephesius*, ^c *Aretius* relate, by breaking wind, helping concoction, many melancholy men haue beene cured by the frequent vse of them alone.

And because the Spleene and blood are often misaffected in melancholy, I may not omit *Endiue*, *Succory*, *Dandelyon*, *Fumetory*, &c. which cleanse the blood. *Scolopendria Cuscuta*, *Ceterache*, *Mugwort*, *Liuerwort*, *Ashe*, *Tamerisk*, *Genist*, *Maydenhaire*, &c. which much help and ease the spleene.

To these I may adde *Roses*, *Violets*, *Capers*, *Fetherfewe*, *Scordium*, *Strachias*, *Rosemary*, *Ros Solis*, *Betony*, *Saffron*, *Ocyme*, *sweet Apples*, *Wine*, *Tobacco*, *Sanders*, &c. And to such as are cold, the ^d decoction of *Guacum*, *Salsaperilla*, *Sassafras*, the flowres of *Carduus Benedictus*, which I finde much vsed by *Montanus* in his consultations, *Iulius Alexandrinus*, *Lelius Agubinus*, and others. ^e *Bernardus Penottus* preferres his *Herba Solis*, or dutch *Sindawe*, before all the rest in this disease, and will admit of no hearbe vpon the earth to be comparable vnto it. It excells *Homers Moly*, and cures this, falling sicknesse, and almost all other infirmities. The same *Penottus* speakes of an excellent Balme out of *Apponensis*, which taken to the quantity of three drops in a cup of wine. ^f will cause a sudden alteration, driue away dumps, and cheare vp the heart. *Ant. Guianerius* in his *Antidotary* hath 8 many such, and *Jacobus de Dondis* the *Aggregator*, repeats *ambergreese*, *nutmegs*, & all spice amongst the rest. But that cannot be generall, Amber and Spice will make a hot braine mad, good for cold and moist. *Garcias ab Horto* hath many *Indian* plants, whose vertues he much magnifies in this disease. *Lemnius instit.* cap. 58. admires *Rue* & commends it to haue excellent vertue, ^g to expell vain imaginations, *Diuells*, and to ease afflicted soules. Other things are much magnified by ⁱ writers, as an old Cock, a *Rammes* head, a *Wolfs* hart borne or eaten, which *Mercurialis* approues; *Prosper Altinus*, the water of *Nilus*, *Gomesius* all Sea water, and at seasonable times to bee sea sicke: *Goates milke*, *Whay*, &c.

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^a Proprium est eius animi in bilarem reddere, concoctionem inuare, cerebrum obftructiones rescare, solitudines suare, sollicitas imaginationes tollere. *Scorzoner*a.

^a Non solum ad viperarum morsus committit, vertiginosus, sed per se accommodata radice tristitiam discurit, bilarietatem conciliat.

Gerard.

Hop.

^b Bilem utramque detrahite, sanguinem purgat.

^c Lib. 7. cap. 5.

^d *Hernius lib. 2. consil. 185. Scolopendria consil. 77.*

^e *Prax. de nar. med. Omnes capitis dolores & phantasmata tollit, scias nullam herbam in terris huic comparandam viribus & bonitate nasci.*

^f Optimum medicamentum in celeri cordis confortatione, & ad omnes qui tristantur &c.

^g *Rondeletius Elenum quod vim habet miram ad bilarietatem, & multi pro secreto habent. Schenkii observ. med. cur. 5. obser. 86.*

^h Afflictas mentes relevat, animi Imaginationes & Demones expellit.

ⁱ *Schenkii. Misaldu. Rhafsa.*

Pretious stones, Mettals, Minerals, Alteratives,

Pretious stones are diuersly censured, many explode the vse of them or any minerals in Physicke, of whom *Thomas Erastus* is the chiefe, in his Tract against *Paracelsus*, and in an Epistle of his to *Peter Monavius*, that stones can worke any wonders, let them beleue that list, no man shoal persuade me for my part I haue found by experience there is no vertue in them. But *Matthiolus* in his Comment vpon *Dioscorides*, is as profuse on the other side in their commendation, so is *Cardan*, *Renodeus*, *Alardus*, *Encelius*, *Marbodens*, &c. *Matthiolus* specifies in Corall: and *Oswaldus Crollius Basil. chym.* preferres the salt of Corall. *Christoph. Encelius lib. 3. cap. 131.* will haue them to be as so many soueraigne medicines against Melancholy, sorrowe, feare, dulnesse, and the like. *Renodeus* admires them, besides they adorne Kings Crownes, grace the fingers, enrich our household stufte, defend vs from enchantments, preserue health, cure diseases, they driue away grieffe, cares, and exhilarate the minde. The particulars be these.

Cratonis epist. vol. 1. Credat qui vult gemmas mirabilia efficere, mihi qui & ratione & experientia didicaliter rem habere, nullus facile persuadetur falsum esse verum.

Lib. de gemmis m. Margarite & corallum ad melancholiam precipue valent

Margarite & gemme spiritus confortant & cor, melancholiam fugant.

Prefat. ad lap. pres. lib. 2. sec. 2. de mat. med.

Regum coronas ornant, digitos illustrant, impellunt aditum, a fascino tuentur, morbis medentur, sanitatem conservant, mentem exhilarant, tristitiam pellunt.

Encelius lib. 3. c. 4. Suspensus vel exhibitus tristitie multum reficit, & cor recreat.

Idem cap. 5. & cap. 6. de Hyacintho & Topazio. Iram sedat, & animi tristitiam pellit.

Lapis hic gestatus aut exhibitus prudentiam auget, nocturnos timores pellit, in apoc.

hanc sanant, & qui lapidem abiecerint, erupit iterum stultitia.

Granatus a pretious stone so called, because it is like the kernels of a Pomegranate, an vnperfect kinde of Ruby, it comes from *Calecut*, if hung about the necke, or taken in drinke, it much resisteth sorrow, and recreates the heart. The same properties I finde ascribed to the *Iacinthe* and *Topaze*, they allay anger, grieffe, diminish madnesse, and much delight and exhilarate the mind. If it be either carried about, or taken in a potion, it will increase wisdom, saith *Cardan*, expell feare, he brags that hee hath cured many mad men with it, which when they laid by the stone, were as mad againe as euer they were at first. *Petrus Bayerus, lib. 2. c. 13. veni mecum*, saith as much of the *Chrysolite*, a friend of wisdom, an enimie to folly. *Pliny lib. 37. Solinus cap. 55. Albertus lapid. Cardan. Encelius, lib. 3. c. 66.* much magnifies the vertue of the *Beryll*, it much availes to a good vnderstanding, and represseth vaine conceits, euill thoughts, causeth mirth, &c. In the belly of a swallow, there is a stone found called *Chelidonius*, which if it be lapped in a faire cloath, and tied to the right arme, will cure lunatickes and mad men, and make them amiable and merry.

There is a kinde of *Onyx* called a *Chalcidonye*, which hath the same qualities, and availes much against phantasticke illusions which proceed from melancholy, and preserues the vigor and good estate of the whole body.

The *Eban* stone which Goldsmiths vse to slicken their gold with, borne about, or giuen to drinke, hath the same properties or not much vnlike.

Levinus Lemnius Institut. ad vit. c. 58. amongst other Jewels makes mention of two. *Carbuncle* and *Corall*, which driue away childish feares, Diuels, overcome sorrow, and hung about the necke represseth troublesome dreames, which properties almost *Cardan* giues to that Greene coloured *Emmetru*, if it be carried about, or worne in a ring.

Idem Cardanus, lunaticos inducit sapientiam, fugat stultitiam. Idem Cardanus, lunaticos inducit ad bonum intellectum comprimit malas cogitationes, &c. Alacres reddit. *Albertus, Encelius cap. 44. lib. 3. Plinius lib. 37. cap. 10. Iacobus de Bondis: dextro brachio alligatus sanat lunaticos, insanos, facit amabiles, iucundos.* *Valeat contra phantasticas illusiones ex melancholia* *Amentes sanat, tristitiam pellit, iram, &c.* *Valeat ad fugandos timores & demones, turbulenta somnia abigit, & nocturnos puerorum timores compefcit.* *Somnia leta facit argenteo annulo gestatus.*

Mercurialis admires the *Emerald* for his vertues in pacifying al affections of the minde, others the *Saphire*, which is the fairest of all pretious stones, of skie colour, and a great enemy to blacke choler. frees the minde, mends manners, &c. *Jacobus de Dondis* in his Catalogue of simples, hath *Amber Greece*, as in *Corde cerui*, the bone in a Stagges heart, a *Monocerots* horne, *Bezoars* stone & of which elsewhere, it is found in the belly of a beast in the East *Indies*, brought into *Europe* by *Hollanders* and our countrymen *Marchants*. *Renodeus* cap. 22. lib. 3. de ment. med. saith he saw two of those beasts alive, in the Castle of the Lord of *Vitry* at *Coubert*.

Lapis Lazuli and *Armenus* because they purge, shall bee mentioned in their place.

Of the rest in brieft thus much I will adde, out of *Cardan*, *Renodeus*, cap. 23 lib. 3. *Randoletius* lib. 1. de Testat. cap. 15. &c. That almost all Jewells and pretious stones, haue excellent vertues to pacifie the affections of the minde, for which cause rich men so much couet to haue them: and those smaller un-ions which are found in shells amongst the *Persians* and *Indians*, by the consent of all writers, are very cordiall, and most part avails to the exhilaration of the heart.

Most men say as much of *Gold*, and some other *Mineralls*, as these haue done of pretious stones. *Erastus* still maintaines the opposite part. *Disputat. in Paracelsum* cap. 4. fol. 196. he confesseth of *Gold*, & that it makes the heart merry, but in no other sense but as it is in a misers chest: at mihi plaudo simul ac nummos contempro in arca, as he said in the Poet: aurum potabile, he discommends and inveighs against, by reason of the corrosiue waters which are vfed in it. Which argument our *D. Gwinne* vrgeth against *D. Antonius*. *Erastus* concludes all their Philosophicall stones and potable *Gold*, &c. to bee no better then *posson*. *Paracelsus* and his *Chymisticall* followers, will cure all manner of diseases with *Mineralls*, accounting them the onely *Physicke* on the other side. *Paracelsus* calls *Galen*, *Hippocrates*, and all their adherents, *Infants*, *idiots*, *Sophisters*, &c. not worthy the name of *Physicians*, for want of these remedies, and bragges that by them he can make a man liue 160 years, or to the worlds end: That he was *primus medicorum*, and did more famous cures then all the *Physicians* in *Europe* besides, * a droppe of his preparations, should goe farther then a dramme, or ounce of theirs. But these are both in extreames, the middle sort approve of *Mineralls*, though not in so high a degree. *Lemnius* lib. 3. cap. 6. de occult. nat. mir. commends *Gold* inwardly and outwardly vfed, as in *Rings*, excellent good in medicines; and such mixtures as are made for melancholy men, saith *Wecker*. *Antid. spec. lib. 1.* to whom *Renodeus* subscribes, lib. 2. cap. 2. *Ficinus* lib. 2. cap. 19. *Fernel. meth. med. lib. 5. c. 21. de Cardiacis*, *Andernacus*, *Libanius*, *Quercetanus*, *Oswaldus Crollius*, *Eunonymus*, *Rubeus*, and *Mathiolus* in his fourth booke of his *Epistles*, *Andreas à Blauen* epist. ad *Mathiolum*, as commended and formerly vfed by *Avicenna*, *Arnoldus*, and many others. *Mathiolus* in the same place approves of potable *gold*, *Mercury*, and many other *Chymicall* confections, and goes so farre in approbation of them, that he holds ¹ no man can bee an excellent *Phy-*

Atre bili ad-
versatur, omni-
um gemmarum
pulcherrima, ce-
li colorem refert,
animum ab er-
rore liberat, mo-
res in melius
mutat.

Longis moro-
ribus feliciter
medetur, deli-
quus &c.

Sec. 5. Mem.
1. Subl. 5.

Gestamen la-
pidum & gem-
marum maxi-
mum fert auxi-
lium & iura-
men, unde qui
dites sunt gem-
mas secum ferre
student.

Ma garita &
uniones que a
conchis & pisci-
bus apud Persas
& Indos, valde
cordiales sunt,
&c.

Minerals.
Aurum leti-
tiam generat,
non in corde, sed
in arca avaritie
Aurum non
aurum. No-
xium ob aquas
rodentes.

Epist. ad Mo-
navium. Metal-
lica omnia in u-
niversum quo-
vismodo parata,
nec tuto, nec
commode intra
corpus sumi.

In pararg.
Stultissimis pi-
lus occipitis me
plus scit, quam
omnes vestri do-
ctores, & calce-
orum meorum
amili doctiores
sunt quam ve-
ster Galenus &
Avicenna, bar-
ba mea plus ex-
perta est quam
vestre omnes

Academie. * Plus proficiet gutta mea, quam tot eorum drachme & uncie. ¹ Nonnulli huic supra modum indulgent, sum et si non adeo magnum non tamen abijciendum censo. ² Ausim dicere neminem medicum excellentem qui non in hac distillatione chymica sit versatus. Morbi Chronici devinci citra metallica vix possunt, aut ubi sanguis corrumpitur.

Physician that hath not some skill in Chymicall distillations, and that Chronicke diseases can hardly be cured without mineriall medicines. Look for Antimony amongst purgers.

SUBJECT. 5.

Compound Alteratives, censure of Compounds and mixt Physicke.

^m Fraudes hominum & ingenuorum captura, officinis inveniuntur, in quibus sua cuique venalis promittitur vita, statim compositiones & mixture inexpl. cabiles ex Arabia & India, ulceri parvo medicina a rubro mari importatur.

ⁿ Arnoldus Apor. 15. Fallax medicus qui potens mederi simplicibus, composita dol. se aut frustra querit.

^o Lib. 1. sec. 1. cap. 8. Dum infinita medicamenta miscet, laudem sibi comparare student, & in hoc studio alter alterum superare conatur, dum quisque quod plura miscuerit, eod. se doctiorem putet, inde fit, ut suam prodant inscitiam, dum ostentat peritiam, & se ridiculos exhibeant &c.

^p Multo plus periculi a medicamento quam a morbo, &c.

^x Expedi. in Simas lib. 1. cap. 5. Precepta medic. dant nostra diversa, in medendo non infelices, pharm. cis utuntur simplicibus herbis, radicibus, &c. tota eorum medicina nostre herbarie preceptis continetur, nullus ludas divinis arvis, quisq. primas a quolibet ma. gistro eruditur. † Lib. de Aqua. ‡ Opus. de Doq.

Pliny lib. 24. c. 1. bitterly taxeth all compound medicines. Mens knavery, imposture, and captious wits have invented these shops, in which every mans life is set to sale: and by and by came in those compositions & inexpl. cable mixtures, farre fetcht out of India and Arabia, a medicine for a botch must be had as far as the red Sea, &c. And 'tis not without cause which he saith, for without question they are much to blame in their compositions, whilst they make infinite variety of mixtures, as ^o Fuchsius notes, They thinke they get themselves great credit, and excell others, and to bee more learned then the rest, because they make more variations, but bee accounts them fooles, and whilst they bragge of their skill, and thinke to get themselves a name, they become ridiculous, bewray their ignorance and error. A few simples well prepared & vnderstood, are farre better then such a heape of non-sense confused compounds, which are in Apothecaries shops ordinarily sould. In which many vaine, superfluous, corrupt, exolete things out of date are to bee had (saith ^x Cornarius) a company of barbarous names given to Symples, Julips, an unnecessary company of mixt medicines; rudis indigestaq. moles. Many times (as Agrippa taxeth) there is by this meanes, ^p more danger from the medicine then from the disease, when they put together they knowe not what, or leaue it to an illiterate Apothecary to bee made, they cause death and horrore for health. Those old Physitians had no such mixtures, a simple potion of Hellebor, in Hippocrates time, was the ordinary purge, and at this day, saith ^r Mat. Riccius, in that flourishing commonwealth of China, Their Physitians giue precepts quite opposite to ours, not unhappy in their Physicke: they use altogether roots, hearbs, and simples in their medicines, and all their physicke in a manner is comprehended in an herball, no science, no schoole, no art, no degree, but like a trade, every man in private is instructed of his master. † Cardan crakes that he can cure all diseases with water alone, as Hippocrates of old did most infirmities with one medicine. Let the best of our rationall Physitians demonstrate, and giue a sufficient reason of those intricate mixtures, why iust so many simples in Mithrydate, or Treacle, why such or such quantity, may they not be reduced to halfe, to a quarter? Frustra fit per plura (as the saying is) quod fieri potest per pauciora. 300 simples sometimes in a Julip. potion, or a little pill, to what end or purpose? I knowe what ^s Alkindus, Capiuaccius, Montagna, and Simon Eitouer, the best of them all, & most rationall haue said in this kinde; but neither he nor they, nor any one of them, giues his Reader, in my iudgement, that satisfaction which hee ought, why such, so many simples. Rog. Bacon hath taxed some errors in his tract de graduationibus, ex-

plained

plained some things but not cleared. *Mercurialis* in his book *de composit. medicin.* giues instance in some, *Hamech*, and *Philonium Romanum*, which *Hamech* an *Arabian*, and *Philonius* a *Roman* long since composed, but crasse as the rest. If they be so exact, as by him it seemes they were, & those mixtures so perfect, why doth *Fernelius* alter the one, and why is the other absolute?

* *Cardan* taxeth *Galen* for presuming out of his ambition to correct *Theriacum Andromachi*, & we as iustly may carp at all the rest. *Galen's* medicines are now exploded and reiected, and what *Nicholas Meripisa*, *Mesue*, *Celsus*, *Scribanus*, *Actuarius*, &c. writ of old, are most part contemned. *Mellichius*, *Cordus*, *Wecker*, *Quercetan*, *Rhenodeus*, the *Venetian*, *Florentine* states haue their severall receipts, and Magistralls: They of *Noremberge* haue theirs, and *Augustana Pharmacopœa*, peculiar medicines to the Meridian of their City: *London* hers, every City, Towne, almost euery priuate man hath his owne mixtures, compositions, receipts, magistralls, precepts, as if he scorned antiquity, and all others in respect of himselfe, but every man must correct and alter to shew his skill, every opinatiue fellow must maintaine his owne paradoxe, be it what it will. *Delirant reges, plectuntur Achivi*: they dote, and in the meane time the poore patients pay for their new experiments, the Commonalty rue it.

Thus others object, thus I may conceiue out of the weaknesse of my apprehension; but to say truth, there is no such fault, no such ambition, no novelty, or ostentation, as some suppose, but as one answeres, this of compound medicines, is a most noble and profitable invention, found out, & brought into *Physicke*, with great iudgement, wisdom, counsell and discretion. Mixt diseases must haue mixt remedies, and such simples are commonly mixt, as haue reference to the part affected, some to qualify, the rest to comfort, some one part, some another. *Cardan* and *Brassivola* both hold, that *Nihil simplex medicamentum sine noxa*, no simple medicine without hurt or offence, and although *Hippocrates*, *Erasistratus*, *Diocles* of old, in the infancy of this Art, were content with ordinary simples, yet now, saith *Ætius*, necessity compelleth to seeke for new remedies, and to make compounds of simples, as well to correct their harmes, if cold, dry, hot, thicke, thinne, insipid, noysome to smell, to make them sauiory to the palat, pleasant to taste and take, and to pre-serue them for continuance, by admixtion of sugar, hony, to make them last moneths, and yeares for seuerall vses. In such cases, compound medicines may be approued, and *Arnoldus* in his 18 Aphorisme, doth allow of it. y If simple cannot, necessity compels vs to use compounds, and for receipts and magistralls, dies diem docet, one day teacheth another, and they are as so many words or phrases, *Que nunc sunt in honore vocabula si volet usus*: Ebbe and flow with the season, and as wits vary, so they may be infinitely varied.

Quisq. suum placitum quo capiatur habet.

Euery man as he likes, and so many men, so many mindes, and yet all tending to good purpose, though not the same way. As all arts and sciences, so *Physick* is dayly perfected amongst the rest, *hore musarum nutrices*, and experience teacheth vs euery day many things, which our Predecessors knew not of. Nature is not so effoete, as he saith, or so lauish, to bestow all her gifts vpon an age, but hath reserved some for posterity, to shew her power, that she is still the same, and not old or consumed. But I digresse.

R r

Compound

Subit. cap. de
scientys.

* *Quercetan*
pharmacop. re-
stitut. ca. 32. Na-
bilissimum &
utilissimum in-
uentum, summa
cum necessitate
ad inuentum &
introducendum.
* *Cap. 25. Te-*
trabib. 4. ser. 2.
Necessitas nunc
cogit aliquando
noxia querere
remedia, & ex
simplicibus com-
posita facere, tum
ad saporem, odo-
rem; palati gra-
tiam, ad corre-
ctionem simpli-
cium, tum ad fi-
tuos usus, con-
seruationem, &c.
* *Cum simpli-*
cia non possunt
necessitas cogit
ad composita.
* *Lips. Epist.*

x Sanguinem
corruptam em-
culat, scabiem
abolet, lipram
curat, spiritus
recreat, & ani-
mum exhilarat.
Melancholicos
humores per u-
rinam educit, &
cerebrum a cras-
sis, arumosis,
melancholicis su-
mis purgat, qui-
bus addo domet-
tes, & furiosos
viniculis retinen-
dos plurimum
inuat, & ad ra-
tionis usum du-
cit. Testis est mi-
hi conscientia,
quod viderim
matronam quan-
dam vincta libe-
ratam, que fre-
quentius ex ira
cundia d'mens,
& impositi ani-
mum dicens, ta-
ceat, loquebatur,
adeo furens, ut ligari
cogeretur. Fuit
ei prestantissimo
remedio, vini
istius usus, i-
d'catus a peregrini
homine men-
dico, elemosina
pro foribus di-
ctae matrone im-
plorante.
y Is qui tristatur
sine causa.
z Vivant amici
corum facie atq;
& tremunt cor-
de.
a Modo non in-
flamitur Me-
lancholia, aut ca-
lidior tempera-
menta sint.

Compound medicines, are inwardly taken, or outwardly applyed. Inwardly taken, be either liquid or solid: liquid, are fluid, or consisting. Fluid, as Vines & Syrupes. The wines ordinarily vsed to this disease, are Wormewood wine, Tamarisk, and Buglossatum, wine made of Borage and Buglosse. The composition of which, is specified in Arnoldus Villanovanus, of Borage, Bawme, Buglosse, Cinamom, &c. And highly commended for his vertues. ^a It drives away Leprosie, Scabbes, clears the blood, recreates the spirits, exhilarates the minde, purgeth the braines of those anxious black, melancholy fumes, and cleanseth the whole body of that blacke humour by vrine. To which I adde, saith Villanovanus, that it will bring madde men, and such raging Bedlams as are tied in chaines, to the vse of their reason againe. My conscience beares me witnesse, that I doe not lye, I saw a graue matron helped by this meanes. Shee was so cholerick, and so furious sometimes, that shee was almost mad, and beside her selfe, shee said and did she knew not what, scolded, beate her maide, and was now ready to be bound till shee dranke of this Borage wine, and by this excellent remedy, was cured, which a poore forrainger, a silly beggar taught her by chance, that came to craue an almes from doore to doore. The iuyce of Borage, if it be clarified, and drunke in wine, will doe as much, the rootes sliced and steeped, &c. saith Ant. Mizaldus art. med. who cites this story verbatim out of Villanovanus, and so doth Magninus a Physitian of Millan, in his Regiment of health. Such another excellent compound water I finde in Rubens de distill sect. 3. which hee highly magnifies out of Savanarola, ^b for such as are solitary, dull, heavy, or sad without a cause, or be troubled with trembling of heart. Other excellent compound waters for melancholy, he cites in the same place, ^c if their melancholy be not inflamed, or their temperature ouer hot. Euonymus hath a precious Aquavita to this purpose, for such as are cold. But he & most commend Aurum potabile, and every writer prescribes clarified whay, with Porage, Buglosse, Endiue, Succory, &c. of Goats milke especially, some indefinitely at all times, some 30 dayes together in the spring, every morning fasting, a good draught. Syrupes are very good, and often vsed to digest this humour in the heart, spleene, liuer, &c. As syrupe of Borage, de pomis of King Sabor obsolet, of Thyme and Epithyme, Hops, Scolopendria, Fumitory, Maidenhaire, Bizantine, &c. These are most vsed for preparatiues to other Physicke, mixt with distilled waters of like nature, or in Julips otherwise.

Consisting, are conserues or confectiions conserues of Borage, Buglosse, Bawme, Fumitory, Succory, Maidenhaire, Violets, Roses, Wormewood, &c. Confectiions, Treacle, Mithridate, Eclegmes or Linctures, &c. Solid, as Aromaticall confectiions, hot, Diambra, Diamargaritum calidum, Dianthus, Diamoschum dulce, Electuarium de gemmis, latifians Galeni & Rhasis, Diagalanga, Diacimynum, Dianisum, Diatriopiperion, Diazinziber, Diacapers, Diacinnamomum. Cold, as Diamargaritum frigidum, Diacorolli, Diarhedon abbatii, Diacodion &c. as euery Pharmacopœia will shew you, with their tables or listings that are made out of them; with Condites, and the like.

Outwardly vsed as occasion serues, as amulets, oyles hot and cold, as of Camomile, Stachado's, Violets, Roses, Almonds, Poppy, Nymphaea, Mandrake &c. to be vsed after bathing, or to procure sleepe.

Oyntments composed of the said species, oyles and wax, &c. as Alabasteritum, Populeum, some hot, some cold, to moisten, procure sleepe, and correct

fect other accidents.

Liniments are made of the same matter to the same purpose, Emplasters made of hearbs, flowres, rootes &c. with oyles, and other liquors mixt and boyled together.

Cataplasmes, salues, or pultises made of greene hearbes, pounded, or sod in water, till they be soft, which are applyed to the Hypochondries, and other parts when the body is empty.

Cærotes, are applyed to severall parts, and Frontals, to take away paine, grieve, heat, procure sleepe. Fomentations or sponges, wet in some decoctions. Epithemata, or those moist medicines laid on linnen, to bathe and coole severall parts misaffected.

Sacculi, or little bagges of hearbes, flowres, seedes, roots, and the like, applyed to the head, heart, stomack, &c. odoraments, balls, perfumes, posies to smell to, all which, haue their severall uses in melancholy, as shal be shewed, when I treat of the cure of the distinct Species by themselves.

MEMB. 2. SUBSECT. 1.

Purging simples Upward.

Melanagoga, or melancholy purging medicines, are either Simple or Compound, and that gently, or violently, purging upward or downward. These following purge vpward. ^dAsarum, or Asrabacca, which as Mesue saith, is hot in the second degree, and dry in the third, it is commonly taken in wine, whay, or as with vs, the iuyce of two or three leaues or more sometimes, pounded in posset drinke, qualified with a little liquorish, or anniseeds, to auoide the fulsomnesse of the taste, or as *Diaserum Fernelij.* *Brasivola* in *Catart.* reckons it vp amongst those simples that onely purge melancholy, and *Ruellius* confirms as much out of his experience, that it purgeth ^eblack choller, like *Hellebor* it selfe. *Galen lib. 6. simplic.* & ^f*Mathiolus* ascribe other vertues to it, and will haue it purge other humors as well as this.

Laurell, by *Heurnius method. ad prax. l. 2. cap. 24.* is put amongst the strong & purgers of melancholy, it is hot and dry in the fourth degree. *Dioscorides lib. 11. cap. 114* addes other effects to it. *Pliny* sets downe 15 berries in drinke for a sufficient potion. it is commonly corrected with his opposites, cold and moist, as iuyce of *Endiæ*, *Purslane*, and is taken in a potion to seuen graines and a halfe. But this and *Asrabacca*, euery Gentlewoman in the Countrey knowes how to giue two common vomits.

Scilla, or Sea-onyon, is hot and dry in the third degree. *Brasivola* in *Catart.* out of *Mesue* and others, out of his owne experience, will haue this simple to purge ^hmelancholy alone. It is an ordinary vomit, *vinum Scilliti.* cum, mixt with *Rubell* in a little white-wine.

White Hellebor, which some call sneezing powder, a strong purger vpward, which many reiect, as being too violent, *Mesue* and *Auerroes* will not admit of it, ⁱby reason of danger of suffocation, ^kand great paine and trouble it puts the poore patient to, saith *Dodonæus*. Yet *Galen lib. 6. simpl. med.* and *Dioscorides cap. 145.* allow of it. It was indeed ^lterrible in former times, as *Pliny*

^d *Heurnius. de*
tu in sero lactis
aut vino.

^e *Veratri modis*
expurgat. cre-
brum, roborat
memoriam.

Fucus
Crassus & bō
liosis humores
per vomitum e-
ducit.

^f *Vomitum &*
mensis. it. r. alet
ad Hydrop. & s

^h *Materia a-*
trax educit
ⁱ *Ab arte iud-*
reiciendum, ob
periculum suffo-
cationis.

^k *Cap. 16. mag-*
nā reuocit. &
molestia cum
summa.

^l *Quondam*
terribile.

m Multi studio-
rum gratia ad
providenda a-
crius que com-
mentabantur.

n Medetur co-
mitialibus, me-
lancholicis, po-
dagricis, vetatur
senibus, pueris,
mollibus & ef-
feminatis.

o Collect. lib. 8.
cap. 3. In affecti-
onibus iis que
a difficultate curan-
tur, Helleborum
datus.

p Non sine sum-
mi cautione hoc
remedio utitur,
est enim validi-
simum, & quum
vires Antimony
contemnit mor-
bus, in auxilium
evocatur, modo
valide vires ef-
floreant.

q Alius tetra-
bib. cap. 11.

r fer. 2. Iis solum
dari vult Helle-
borum album,
qui secus spem
non habent, non
iis qui Syncopen
timent &c.

s Cum salute
mutorum.

t Cap. 12. de mor-
bis cap.

u Nos felicissime
utimur nostro
preparato Helle-
boro albo.

v In lib. 5. Dios-
cor. cap. 39. Om-
nibus opitulatur
morbus, quos atra
bilis excitavit,
comitialibus iisq;
presertim, qui
Hypocondriacas
obtinent passio-
nes.

x Andreas
Gallus, Triden-
tinus medicus,
salutem huic
medicamento
post deum debet.

y Integre (sanitati, brevi restitutus. Id quod alii accidisse scio, qui hoc mirabili medicamento usi sunt. *z* Qui melancholicus factus
plane desipiebat, multaq; stulte loquebatur. huic exhibitum 12 gr. stibium, quod paulo post, atram bilem ex aluo eduxit (ut ego vidi, qui
vocat usque ad miraculum ad sui testari possum) & ramenta tanquam carnis dissecta in partes, totum excrementum tanquam
sanguinem nigerrimum representabat.

notes, but now familiar, insomuch that many tooke it in those dayes, *m* that
were students, to quicken their wits, which Persius Sat. 1. objects to Accius
the Poet, *Illas Acciebria veratro.* *n* It helpes Melancholy, the falling sicknes,
madnesse, gout, &c. but not to be taken of old men, youths, such as are weaklings,
nice, or effeminate, troubled with headach, high coloured, or feare strangling,
saith Dioscorides. *o* Oribasius an olde Physitian, hath written very copi-
ously, and approves of it, in such affections, which can otherwise hardly
bee cured. *Hernius lib. 2. prax. med. de vomitorijs,* will not have it used *p* but
with great caution, by reason of its strength, and then when Antimony will doe
no good, which caused *Hermophilus* to compare it to a stout Captaine (as *Co-
dronchus* observes c. 7. comment. de Helleb.) that will see all his souldiers goe
before him, and come *post principia*, like the bragging souldier, last himselfe,
q when other helpes faile in inveterate melancholy, in a desperate case, this
vomit is to be taken. And yet for all this, if it be well prepared, it may be *r* se-
curely given at first. *s* *Mathiolus* bragges, that hee hath often to the good of
many, made vse of it, and *Hernius*, that he hath happily used it, prepared after
his owne prescript, and with good successe. *Christophorus a Vega lib. 3. cap. 14.*
is of the same opinion, that it may be lawfully giuen, and our countrey Gen-
tlewomen finde it by their common practise, that there is no such great dan-
ger in it. *Dr Turner* speaking of this plant, in his Herball, telleth vs, that in
his time it was an ordinary Receipt among goodwives, to giue Hellebor in
powder to ij^d weight, and he is not much against it. But they doe common-
ly exceed, for who so bold as blind *Bayard*, and prescribe it by pennyworths,
and such irrationall wayes, as I haue heard my selfe market folkes aske for it
in an Apothecaries shoppe: but with what successe God knowes, they sinare
often for their rash boldnesse and folly, breake a veine, make their eyes
ready to start out of their heads, or kill themselves. So that the fault is not in
the Physicke, but in the rude and vndiscreet handling of it. He that will know
therefore, when to vse it, how to prepare it aright, and in what dose, let him
read *Hernius lib. 2. prax. med. Brasivola de Catart. Godefridus Stegus* the Em-
perour *Rodolphus* Physitian c. 16. *Mathiolus* in *Dioscor.* and that excellent
Commentary of *Baptista Codronchus*, which is *instar omnium de Helleb. alb.*
where he shall finde great diuersity of examples and Receipts.

Antimony or *Stibium*, which our Chymists so much magnifie, is either
taken in substance or infusion, &c. & much prescribed in this disease. It helpes
all infirmities, saith *u* *Mathiolus*, which proceed from blacke choler, falling sick-
nesse, and all Hypocondriacall passions, and for farther prooffe of his assertion,
he giues seuerall instances, of such as haue beene freed with it. *x* One of *An-
drew Gallus*, a Physitian of Trent, that after many other essayes, imputes the
recovery of his health, next after God, to this remedy alone. Another of *George
Handsius*, that in like sort, when other medicines failed, *y* was by this resto-
red to his former health, and which of his knowledge, others haue likewise tryed,
& by the helpe of this admirable medicine, haue been recovered. A third of a Pa-
rish Priest at Prague in Bohemia, *z* that was so farre gone with melancholy, that
he doted, and spake he knew not what, but after he had taken 12 graines of *Sti-*

bium, (as I my selfe saw, and can witnesse, for I was called to see this miraculous accident) he was purged of a deale of black choler, like little gobbers of flesh, and all his excrements were like blacke blood (a medicine fitter for a horse then a man) yet it did him so much good, that the next day hee was perfectly cured. This very story of this Bohemian Priest, Skenkius relates verbatim, Exoter. experiment. ad Var. morb. cent. 6. obser. 6. with great approbation of it. Hercules de Saxonia calls it a profitable medicine, if it be taken after meat to 6 or 8 graines, of such as are apt to vomit. Iacobus Gervinus a French Physitian on the other side, lib. 2. de Venenis confut. explodes all this, and saith he rooke 3 graines onely vpon Mathisus and some others commendation, but it almost killed him, whereupon he concludes, ^a Antimony is rather a poyson then a medicine. Th. Erasmus concures with him in his opinion, & so doth Elian ^b Monastus cap. 30. de melan. but what doe I talke? 'tis the subiect of whole bookes, I might cite a century of authors pro and con. I will conclude with ^b Zuinger, Antimony is like Scanderbegs sword, which is either good or bad, strong or weak as the party is that prescribes it, or vseth it, a worthy medicine if it be rightly applyed to a strong man, otherwise poyson. For the preparing of it, looke in Eronimi thesaurus, Quercetan, Oswaldus Crollius Basil. Chim. Basil. Valentinus &c.

^a Antimonium
venenum, non
medicamentum.

^b Cratonis epist.
sec. 2. ad A. a-
narium epist.
In utraque, par-
tem dignissimum
medicamentum,
si recte utitur,
sicut venenum.

Tobacco, diuine, rare, superexcellent Tobacco, which goes farre beyond all their Panaceas, potable gold, and Philosophers stones, a soueraigne Remedy to all diseases. A good vomit, I confesse, a vertuous herbe, if it be well qualified, opportunely taken, and medicinally vsed, but as it is commonly abused by most men, which take it as Tinkars doe ale, 'tis a plague, a mischief, a violent purger of goods, lands, health; hellish, deuillish and damned Tobacco, the ruine and ouerthrow of Body and Soule.

SVBSEC. 2.

Simples purging melancholy downeward.

Polypodye and Epithyme, are without all exceptions, gentle purgers of melancholy. Dioscorides will haue them purge fleagme, but Brasivola out of his experience averreth, that they purge this humor, they are vsed in decoction, infusion, &c. simple, mixt &c.

Mirabolanes, all five kindes, are happily ^c vsed against melancholy and quartan agues, Brasivola speaks out of a thousand experiences, he gaue them in pills, decoction &c. looke for peculiar Receipts in him.

Stoechas, Fumitory, Dodder, herbe Mercury, roots of Capers, Genista or broome, Pennyriall and halfe boyled Cabbage, I finde in this Catalogue of purgers of black choler, Origan, fetherfew, ammoniack ^c salt, saltpeter. But these are very gentle, alyppus, dragon root, centaury, ditany, Colutea, which ^d Fuchsius cap. 163. and others take for Sene, but most distinguish. Sene is in the middle of violent and gentle purgers downeward, hot in the second degree, dry in the first. Brasivola calls it, ^e a wonderfull herbe against melancholy, it scowres the blood, illightens the spirits, shakes off sorrow, a most profitable medicine, as ^f Dodonaus termes it, invented by the Arabians, and not heard of before. It is taken diuers wayes in powder, infusion, but most commonly in the

^c Meriores su-
gant, utilissime
dantur melan-
cholicis & qua-
ternariis.

^d Millies horum
vires expertus
sum.

^e Sal nitrum,
sal ammoniacu,
Dracontii ra-
dix, distillatum.

^f Calet ordine
secundo, sicut
primo, aduersus
omnia vitia atre-
bilis valet, san-
guinem mundat,
spiritus illustrat,
mauorem discen-
dit herba miri-
fica.

^g Cap. 4. lib. 2.

infusion, with ginger, or some cordiall flowres added to correct it. *Actuarius* commends it sod in broth, with an old cock, or in whay, which is the common convayer of all such things as purge blacke choller, or steeped in wine, which *Herninus* accompts sufficient, without any farther correction.

^b Recentiores
negant ora ve-
narum refecare.
¹ An aloes ape-
riat ora vend-
rum lib. 9. con. 3
² Vapores ab-
stergit à vitali-
bus partibus.
³ Tract. 15. cap.
6. Bonus Alex-
ander, tantam
lapiæ Armeno
confiditiam
habuit, ut ora-
nes melancholi-
cas passiones ab
eo curari posse
crederet. Et ego
inde sepiissime
vsum, & in
eius exhibitione
nunquam frau-
ditus fui.
^m Maurorum
medici hoc lapi-
de plerumq; pur-
gant melancholi-
am &c.
ⁿ Duo ego sepe
felicitèr usus
sum, & magno
cum auxilio.
^o Si non hoc, ni-
hil restat nisi
Helleborus, &
lapis Armenus.
^p Consil. 184.
Scoltzi.
^q Multa corpo-
ra vidi gravissi-
mè hinc agitata,
& stomacho
multum obsuise.
^r Cum videret
ab eo curari ea-
pras furentes,
&c.
^s Lib. 6. simpl.
med.

Aloes by most, is said to purge choller, but *Aurelianus* lib. 2. cap. 6. de morb. chron. *Arculanus* cap. 6. in 9. *Rhasis*. *Iulius Alexandrinus*, consil. 185. *Scoltzi*. *Crato* consil. 189. *Scoltzi*. prescribe it to this disease, as good for the stomacke, and to open the Hæmroids, out of *Mesue*, *Rhasis*, *Serapio*, *Avicenna*. *Mazarinus* ep. lib. 1. epist. 1. opposeth it, *Aloes* doth not open the veines, or moue the Hæmroids, which *Leonhartus Fuchs* paradox. lib. 1. likewise affirms; but *Brassivola* and *Dodonæus* defend *Mesue* out of their experience, let ^t *Valesius* end the controversie.

Lapis Armenus and *Lazuli*, are much magnified by ^k *Alexander* l. 1. cap. 16. and *Avicenna*, *Etius*, *Actuarius*, if they be well washed, that the water be no more coloured, fifty times some say. ¹ That good *Alexander* (saith *Guianerius*) put such confidence in this one medicine, that he thought all melancholy passions might be cured by it, and I for my part, have oftentimes happily used it, and was never deceived in the operation of it. The like may be said of *Lapis Lazuli*, though it be somewhat weaker then the other. *Garcias ab Horto* hist. lib. 1. cap. 65. relates, that the ^m Physicians of the *Moors*, familiarly prescribe it to all melancholy passions, and *Matthiolus* epist. lib. 3. ⁿ brags of that happy successe, which he still had in the administration of it. *Nicholas Meripsa* puts it amongst the best remedies, sect. 1. cap. 12 in *Antidotis*, ^o and if this will not serue (saith *Rhasis*) then there remains nothing, but *Lapis Armenus*, and *Hellebor* it selfe. *Valesius* and *Iason Pratenfis*, much commend *Pulvis Hali*, which is made of it. *Iames Damascen* lib. 2. cap. 12. *Hercules de Saxonia* & c. speake well of it. *P Crato* will not approue of it, this and both *Hellebors*, hee saith, are no better then poyson. *Victor Trincavelius*, lib. 2. cap. 14. found it in his experience ^q to be very noysome, to trouble the stomacke, and hurt their bodies that take it ouermuch.

Blacke *Hellebor* that most renowned plant, and famous purger of melancholy, which all antiquity so much vsed and admired, was first found out by *Melanpodius* a shepheard, as *Pliny* records, lib. 25. cap. 5. ^r Who seeing it to purge his Goats when they raved, practised it vpon *Elige* and *Calene*, King *Prætus* daughters, that ruled in *Arcadia*, neere the fountaine *Clitorius*, and restored them to their former health. In *Hippocrates* time it was in onely request, inso much that he writ a booke of it, a fragment of which remains yet. *Theophrastus*, ^s *Galen*, *Pliny*, *Calius Aurelianus*, as ancient as *Galen*, lib. 1. cap. 6. *Areteus*, lib. 7. cap. 5. *Oribasius*, lib. 7. suorum collect. a famous Greeke, *Acetius* ser. 3. cap. 112. & 113. *P. Aegineta* *Galens* Ape, lib. 7. cap. 4. *Actuarius* and *Trallianus* lib. 5. cap. 15. *Cornelius Celsus* only remaining of the olde Latines, lib. 3. cap. 23. extoll and admire this excellent plant, and it was generally so much esteemed of the ancients for this disease amongst the rest, that they sent all such as were crazed, or any way doted to the *Anticyra*, to be purged, where this plant was in abundance to be had. In *Strabo*'s time it was an ordinary voyage, *Naviget Anticyras*. A common proverbe amongst the Greekes and Latines, to bid a disard or a mad man goe take *Hellebor*; as in *Luce* *Menippus* to *Tantalus*, *Tantale desipis, helleboro epoto tibi opus est, cog. sand* meraco,

meraco. Thou art out of thy little wit O *Tantalus*, and must needs drink *Hellebor*, and that without mixture. *Aristophanes* in *vespis*, drinke *Hellebor*, &c. *8*. *Harpax* in the *Comoedian*, told *Simo* and *Ballio*, two doting fellowes, that they had need to be purged with this plant. *Lilius Geraldus* saith, that *Hercules* after all his mad pranks vpon his wife and children, was perfectly cured by a purge of *Hellebor*, which an *Anticyrian* administred vnto him. They that were found commonly tooke it to quicken their wits, (as our Poets drinke sacke to improue their vnderstandings) I finde it so registred by *Agellius* lib. 17. cap. 15, *Carneades* the *Academicke* when hee was to write against *Zeno* the *Stoicke*, purged himselfe with *Hellebor* first, which *Petronius* puts vpon *Chrysippus*. In such esteeme it continued for many ages, till at length *Mesue* and some other *Arabians* beganne to reiect and reprehend it, vpon whose authority for many following lusters, it was much debased and quite out of request, held to be poyson and no medicine; and is still oppugned to this day by *Crato* and some *Iunior* Physitians. Their reasons are, because *Aristotle* lib. 1. de plant. cap. 3. said *Henbane* and *Hellebore* were poyson, and *Alexander Aphrodisens* in the preface of his *Problems*, said (speaking of *Hellebor*) *Quailes fedde on that which was poyson to men*, *Galen* lib. 6. *Epid. com.* 5. *Tex.* 35. confirms as much, *Constantine* the Emperour in his *Geoponicks*, attributes no other vertue to it, then to kill mice, and rats, flies and mouldewarpes, and so *Mizaldus*. *Nicander* of old, *Geruinus*, *Skenkius*, and some other *Neotericks* that haue written of poysons speake of *Hellebor* in a chiefe place. *Nicholas Leonicus* hath a story of *Solon* that beseiging I know not what citty, steeped *Hellebor* in a spring of water, which by pipes was conuayed into the middle of the towne, and so either poysoned them, or else made them so feeble and weake by purging, that they were not able to beare armes. Notwithstanding all these cauils and obiections, most of our late writers doe much approue of it. *Garriopontus* lib. 1. cap. 13. *Codronchus* com. de helleb. *Falopius* consil. 15. *Trincavelly*, *Montanus* 239. *Frisemelica* consil. 14. *Hercules de Saxonia*, so that it bee opportunely giuen. *Iacobus de Dondis*, *Agg. Amatus Lusit.* cent. 2. cent. 66. *God. Stegius* cap. 13. *Hollerius* and all our *Herbalists* subscribe. *Fernelius meth. med. lib.* 5. cap. 16. confesseth it to be a terrible purge and hard to take, yet well giuen to strong men, and such as haue able bodies. *P. Forestus* and *Capivaccius* fobid it to bee taken in substance, but allow it in decoction or infusion, both which waies *P. Monavius* commends aboue all others, *Epist.* 231. *Scoltzj. Iacchinus* in 9. *Rasis*, commends a receipt of his owne preparing; *Hildefheim spicel.* 2. de melancholia, hath many examples how it should be vsed, diversity of receipts. *Heurnius* lib. 7. *prax. med. cap.* 24. calls it an *innocent medicine* howsoeuer, if it bee well prepared. The roote of it is only in vse, which may be kept many yeares, & by some giuen in substance, as by *Brasivola* amongst the rest, who *c* brags that hee was the first that restored it againe to his vse, and tells a story how hee cured one *Melastafa* a madman, that was thought to bee possessed, in the Duke of *Ferrara's* court with one purge of blacke *Hellebor* in substance: the receipt is there to be seene, his excrements were like inke, *f* hee perfectly healed at once. *Vidus Vidius* a Dutch Physitian, will not admit of it in substance, to whom most subscribe, but as before in the decoction, infusion, or which is all in all, in the Extract, which he preferres before the rest, and calls *suave medicamentum*, a sweet

Pseudolo. abt.
4. *scen. elt helle-*
boro bisce hemi-
nibus opm est.

In Satyr.

Crato consil.
16 lib. 2. *ziss*
multi magni vi-
ri probent, in
bonam partem
accipiant medi-
ci si non probem
Vesuntur re-
ratro coturnices,
quod h. minibus
toxicum est.
2 Lib. 23. cap. 7.
12. 14.

De var. hist.

Corpus incolu-
me reddit, &
invenale efficit.
Veteres non si-
ne causis sunt:
Difficilis ex Hel-
leboro purgatio,
& terroris ple-
na, sed robustis
datur tamen &c
Innocens me-
dicamentum,
modo rite pare-
tur.

Abst. iactan-
tia, ego primus
prebere capi,
&c.

In Catart.
Ex una sola e-
vacuatione fu-
ror cessavit &
quietus inde vi-
xit, Tale exem-
plum apud Sken-
kium & apud
Scoltzium epist.
231. *P. Mona-*
vius se solidum
curose iactat
hoc eseto tribus
aut 4. vicibus.

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 3 Ultimum re-
 fugium, extremū
 medicamentum,
 quod cetera om-
 nia claudit, que-
 cūq; ceteris la-
 xativis peli non
 possunt ad hunc
 pertinent, si non
 huic, nulli cedūt
 4 Testari possum
 me sexcentis ho-
 minibus Helle-
 borum nigrum
 exhibuisse, nullo
 profus in com-
 modo, &c.

sweet medicine, an easie, that may be securely giuen to women, children and weaklings. Baracellus *horto geniali*, calls it *maxima præstantie medicamen- tum*, a medicine of great worth and note. *Quercetan* in his *Spagir. Phar.* and many others tell wonders of this Extract, *Paracelsus* about all the rest is the greatest admirer of this plant; and especially the extract, he calls it *Theriacum, terrestre Balsamum*, another Treacle, a terrestrial Bawme, *instar omnium, all in all, the 3 sole and last refuge to cure this malady, the gout, Epilepsie, leprosie, &c.* If this will not helpe, no Physicke in the world can but minerall, it is the vpsnot of all. *Matthiolus* laughs at all those that except against it, & though some abhorre it out of the authority of *Mesue*, & dare not aduenture to pre- scribe it, yet I (saith hee) haue happily vsed it six hundred times without of- fence, and haue communicated it to diuerse worthy Physitians, who haue giuen me great thanks for it. Look for receipts, dose, preparation, and other cautions concerning this simple in him, *Brassiola*, *Baracellus*, *Codronchus*, and the rest.

SVBSC. 3.

Compound purgers.

1 Pharmacop.
 Optimum est ad
 maniam & om-
 nes melancholi-
 cos effectus, tum
 intra assumptū,
 tum extra, secus
 capiti cum linte-
 olis in eo made-
 factis tepide ad-
 motum.
 2 Epist. Math.
 lib. 3. Tales Sy-
 rupi nocentissi-
 mi & omnibus
 modis extirpan-
 di.

Compound medicines which purge melancholy, are either taken in the superior or inferior parts: superior at mouth or nostrills. At the mouth swallowed or not swallowed: If swallowed liquid or solid: liquid as compound wine of Hellebor, Scilla or Sea-onion, Sena, *Vinum Scilliticum*, *Helleboratum*, which *Quercetan* so much applauds, for melancholy and mad- nesse, either inwardly taken, or outwardly applied to the head, with little peeces of linnen dipped warme in it. *Oximel Scilliticum*, *Syrupus Helleboratus maior* and minor in *Quercetan*, and *Syrupus Geniste* for Hypochondriacal melanco- ly in the same author, compound Syrupe of Succorie, of Fumitory, Polypo- dy, &c. *Hernius* his purging cock-broth. Some except against these Syrups, as appeares by *Vdaltrinus Leonoras* his Epistle to *Matthiolus*, as most perniti- ous and that out of *Hippocrates*, *cocta mouere, & medicari non cruda*, no raw things to be vsed in Physicke; but this in the following Epistle is exploded and soundly confuted by *Matthiolus*, many Julips, potions, Receipts, are cō- posed of these, as you shall finde in *Hildesheim spicel. 2. Hernius lib. 2. cap. 14. George Skenkius Ital. med. prax. &c.*

Solid purgers are confections, electuaries, pills by themselves or com- pound with others, as *de lapide Lazulo*, *Armeno*, *Pil. Inda*, of *Fumitorie*, &c. Confection of *Hamech*, *Diasena*, *Diapolypodium*, *Diacassia*, *Diacatholicon*, *Wec- kers Electuary de Epithymo*, *Ptolomies Hierologadium*, of which diuerse receits are dayly made.

Aetius 22. 33. commends *Hieram Russi*, *Trincavelinus consil. 12. lib. 1. ap- proues of Hiera*, non, inquit, inuenio melius medicamentum, I finde no better medicine, he saith. *Heurnius* addes *pil. Aggregat. pilles de Epithymo, pil. Ind.* *Mesue*, described in the *Florentine Antidotary*, *Pilula sine quibus esse nolo*, *Pi- lula Cochia cum Helleboro*, *Pil. Arabica*, *Fætida*, *de quing. generibus mirabola- norum &c.* More proper to Melancholy: not excluding in the meane time, *Turbeth*, *Manna*, *Rubarbe*, *Agaricke*, *Elefcophe*, &c. which are not so proper to this humour. For as *Montaltus* holds *cap. 30.* and *Montanus*, *cholera etiam purganda*

purganda, quod atræ sit pabulum, choler is to bee purged because it feeds the other: and some are of an opinion, as *Erasistratus* and *Asclepiades* maintained of old, against whom *Galen* disputes, ¹ *that no physicke doth purge one humor alone but all alike or what is next*. Most therefore in their receipts and magistralls which are coyned here, make a mixture of severall simples and compounds, to purge all humours in generall as well as this. Some rather vse portions then pills to purge this humor, because that as *Heurnius* and *Crato* observe, *hic succus à sicco remedio agrè trahitur*, this iuyce is not so easily drawn by dry remedies, & as *Montanus* adviseth 25. *cons.* All^m drying medicines are to be repelled as *Aloe*, *Hiera*, and all pills whatsoeuer, because the disease is dry of it selfe.

I might here insert many receipts of prescribed potions, boles, &c. The doses of these, but that they are common in every good Physitian, and that I am loath to incur the censure of *Forestus lib. 3. cap. 6. de urinis*, ⁿ against those that divulge and publish medicines in their mother tongue, and least I should give occasion thereby to some ignorant Reader to practise on himselfe, without the consent of a good Physitian.

Such as are not swallowed, but onely kept in the mouth, are Gargarismes vsed commonly after a purge when the body is soluble and loose. Or Apophlegmatismes, Masticatories, to be held and chewed in the mouth, which are gentle, as *Hysope*, *Origan*, *Pennyriall*, *Thyme*, *Mustard*, strong as *Pellitory*, *Pepper*, *Ginger*, &c.

Such as are taken into the nostrills, *Errhina* are liquid or drie, iuyce of *Pimpernell*, *Onyons*, &c. *Castor*, *Pepper*, *white Hellebor*, &c. To these you may adde odoraments, perfumes, and suffumigations, &c.

Taken into the inferiour parts are Clysters strong or weake, Suppositories of *Castilian sope*, hony boyled to a consistence, or stronger of *Scammony*, *Hellebor*, &c.

These are all vsed, and prescribed to this malady vpon severall occasions, as shall be shewed in his place.

MEMB. 3.

Chirurgicall Remedies.

IN letting of blood three maine circumstances are to be considered, *who*, *how much*, *when*. That is, that it be done to such a one as may endure it, or to whom it may belong, that is, that hee bee of a competent age, not too young nor too old, ouer weak, fat or leane, sore laboured, but to such as haue need, are full of bad bloud, noxious humours, and may be eased by it.

The quantitie depends vpon the parties habite of body, as he is strong or weake, full or empty, may spare more or lesse.

In the morning is the fittest time, some doubt whether it bee best fasting or full, whether the moones motion or aspects of planets be to be obserued, some affirme, some deny, some grant in acute but not in Chronick diseases, whether before or after physicke. 'Tis *Heurnius* Aphorisme, *à Phlebotomia auspicandam esse curationem, non à pharmaciâ*, you must beginne with bloud-letting and not physicke, some except this peculiar malady. But what doe I

¹ *Purgantia celsant, medicamenta, non vni humori ematrahunt, sed eueniunt, attigerint in suam naturam convertere.*

^m *Religantur omnes exsiccantes medicine, ut Aloe, Hiera, pilule quæcunq.*

ⁿ *Contra eos qui lingua vulgari & Vernacula remedia & medicamenta prescribunt, & quibus communi faciant.*

^o *Qui, quantum, quando.*

^p *Cum cruditas abest à ventriculo.*

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Horatius Augenus, a Physician of *Padua*, hath lately writ 17 bookes of this subiect, *Iobertus*, &c.

¶ Fernelius lib. 2. cap. 19.

Particular kindes of blood-letting in vse *¶* are three, first is that opening a Veine in the arme with a sharpe knife, or in the head, knees, or any other parts as shall be thought fit.

Cupping-glasses with or without scarification, *ocysimè compescunt*, saith *Fernelius*, they worke presently, and are applyed to severall parts, to divert humours, aches, winde, &c.

Horse-leeches, are much vsed in melancholy, applied especially to the hem- rods. *Horatius Augenus lib. 10. cap. 10.* & many others, preferre them before any evacuations in this kinde.

¶ Renodeus lib. 5. cap. 21. de his Mercurialis lib. 3. de compos. med. cap. 24. Hernius lib. 1. prax. med. West- ler, &c.

Cauteries or searings with hot yrons, combustions, boarings, launcings, which because they are terrible, *Dropax* & *Synapismus* are invented, by plai- sters to raise blisters, and eating medicines of pitch, mustardseed, & the like.

Issues still to be kept open, and made as the former, and applied in and to severall parts, have their vse here on severall occasions, as shall be shewed.

SECT. 5.

MEMB. I. SUBSEC. I.

Particular cure of the three severall kindes of head Melancholy.

THE generall cures thus briefly examined and discussed; it remains now, to apply these medicins to the three particular species or kinds, that according to the severall parts affected, each man may tell in some sort how to helpe or ease himselfe. I wil treat of head melancholy first, in which, as in all other good cures wee must beginne with Diet, as a matter of most moment, able oftentimes of it selfe to worke this effect. I have read, saith *Laurentius cap. 8. de Melanch.* that in old diseases which have gotten the vpper hand or an habit, the manner of living is to more purpose, then whatsoever can be drawne out of the most pretious boxes of the Apothe- caries. This diet, as I have said, is not only in choice of meat and drinke, but of all those other non-naturall things. Let ayre bee cleare and moist most part. Diet moistning, of good iuyce, easie of digestion, and not windie, drinke cleare, and well brewed, not too strong nor too small. Make a melancholy man fat, as *Rhases* saith, and thou hast finished the cure. Exercise not too remisse, nor too violent. Sleepe a little more then ordinary. Excrements dayly to be avoided by art or nature, and which *Fernelius* inioynes his patient *consil. 44.* about the rest to avoid all passions and perturbations of the minde. Con- cerning the medicinall part, hee that will satisfie himselfe, at large (in this precedent of diet) and see all at once; the whole cure and manner of it in eue- ry distinct species; let him consult with *Gordonius*, *Valescius*, with *Prosper Ca- lenius lib. de atra bile ad Card. Casium*, *Laurentius cap. 8. & 9. de mela.* *Ælian Montanus de mel. cap. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30.* *Donat ab Altomari cap. 7. artis med.* *Hercules de Saxonia in Panth. cap. 7. & Tract. eius peculiar. de melan. per Bolze-*

¶ Com. lib. 1. cap. 9. festines ad im- pinguationem, & cum im- quantur, remo- vetur malum.

¶ Beneficium ventris.

tum edit. Venetys 1620. cap. 17. 18. 19. Sauonarola Rub. 82. Tract. 8. cap. 1. Sken-
kius in Prax. curat. Ital. med. Heurnius cap. 12. de morb. cap. Victorius Faventi-
nus Pract. Magn. & Empir. Hildisheim Spigel. 2. de man. & mel. Fel. Platter,
Stockerus, Bruel, P. Bayerus, Forestus, Fuchsius, Capiuaccius, Iason Pratensis, Sa-
lust. Saluian. de re med. lib. 2. cap. 1. Iacchinus in 9. Rhasis, Piso, Hollerius &c.
That haue culled out of those old Greekes, Arabians, and Latines, whatsoe-
ver is obseruable or fit to be vsed. Or let him read those counsells, and con-
sultations of Hugo Senensis consil. 13. & 14. Renerus Solinander consil. 6. sec. 1,
& consil. 3. sec. 3. Crato consil. 16. lib. 2. Montanus consil. 20. 22. 229. and his fol-
lowing counsells, Lelius à Fonte Egubinus consult. 44. 69. 77. 125. 129. 142. Fer-
nelius consil. 44. 45. 46. Iul. Caesar Claudinus, Mercurialis, Frambesarius, &c.
Wherein he shall finde particular receipts, the whole method, preparatiues,
purgers, correctors, averters, cordials, in great variety and abundance. Out
of which, because every man cannot attend to read or peruse them, I wil col-
lect for the benefit of the reader, some few notes.

SUBJECT. 2.

Blood-letting.

Phlebotomy is promiscuously vsed before and after Physicke, common-
ly before, and vpon occasion is often reiterated, if there be any need at
least of it. For Galen and many others make a doubt of bleeding at all
in this kinde of head melancholy. If the malady, saith Piso cap. 23. & Altoma-
rus cap. 7. Fuchsius cap. 33. ^u shall proceed primarily from the mis-affected brain,
the patient in such case shall not need at all to bleed, except the blood otherwise
abound, the veines be full, inflamed blood, and the party ready to run mad. In im-
materiall melancholy, which especially comes from a cold distemperature
of spirits, Hercules de Saxoniâ cap. 17. will not admit of Phlebotomy. Lau-
rentius cap. 9. approues it out of the authority of the Arabians, but as Mesue,
Rhases, Alexander, appoint, ^x especially in the head, to open the veines of the
fore-head, nose and eares, is good. They commonly set cupping glasses on
the parties shoulders, hauing first scarified the place, they apply horselee-
ches on the head, and in all melancholy diseases, whether essentiall or acci-
dentall they cause the hæmroids to be opened, hauing the eleuenth Apho-
risme of the 6 booke of Hippocrates, for their ground & warrant, which saith,
that in melancholy and mad-men, the varicous tumour or hæmorrhoides appea-
ring doth heale the same. Valescus prescribes blood-letting in all three kinds,
whom Salust. Saluian followes, ^y If the blood abound, which is discerned by
the fulnesse of the veines, his precedent diet, the parties laughter, age, &c. begin
with the median or middle veine of the arme: if the blood be ruddy and cleare
stop it, but if blacke in the spring time, or a good season, or thicke, let it runne, ac-
cording to the parties strength, and some eight or twelue dayes after, open the
head veine, and the veines in the forehead, or provoke it out of the nostrills, or
cupping glasses, &c. Trallianus allowes of this, ^z if there haue beene any sup-
pression or stopping of blood at nose, or hæmroids, or womens monthes, then to open

^u Si ex prima-
rio cerebri affe-
ctu melancholi-
ci enaserint, san-
guinis detracti-
one nō indigent,
nisi ob alias cau-
sas sanguis mit-
tatur, ut simul-
tus in vasis &c.
frustra enim sa-
tigetur corpus
&c.

^x Competit ipsi
phlebotomia
frontis.

^y Si sanguis ab-
undet quod sci-
tur ex venarum
repletionē vic-
tū ratione præ-
cedente, risu æ-
gri, etate &c.
ly. Tundatur
mediana & si
sanguis appareat
clarus & ruber
supprimatur, aut
si uere, si niger
aut crassus per-
mittatur fluere.

pro viribus ægri, dein post 8 vel 12 diem aperiat cephalica partis magis affecte, & vena frontis aut sanguis provocetur setis per nares,
&c. ^z Si quibus consuetudine sue suppressæ sunt menses &c. talo secare oportet aut vena frontis si sanguis peccet cerebro.

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^a Nisi fortum ducatur a sanguine, ne morbus inde augeatur pble botomia refrigerat & exiccat, nisi corpus sit valde sanguineum, rubicundum

a *veine in the head or about the ankles.* Yet hee doth hardly approue of this course, if melancholy be sited in the head alone, or in any other dotage, ^a except it primarily proceed from bloud, or that the malady bee increased by it, for bloud-letting refrigerates and dries up, except the body be very full of blood, and a kinde of ruddinesse in the face. Therefore I conclude with *Arctus*, ^b before you let bloud, deliberate of it: and well consider all circumstances belonging to it.

^b Cum sanguinem detrabere oportet, deliberatione indiget. *Arctus*, lib. 7. cap. 5.

SUBSEC. 3.

Preparatiues and purgers.

After blood-letting we must proceed to other medicines, first prepare and then purge, *Augea stabulum purgare*, make the body cleane before we can hope to doe any good. *Gualter Bruel* would haue a practitioner beginne first with a Clyster of his, which hee prescribes before blood-letting: the common sort as *Mercurialis*, *Montaltus* cap. 30. &c. proceed from lenitiues to preparatiues, & so purges. Lenitiues are well known, *Electuarium lenitivum*, *Diaphenicum*, *Diacatholicon*, &c. preparatiues are usually syrups of Borage, Buglosse, Apples, Fumitory, Thyme and Epithyme, with double as much of the same decoction or distilled water, or of the waters of Buglosse, Bawme, Hoppes, Endiue, Scolopendry, Fumitory, &c. or these sod in whay, which must be reiterated and vsed for many dayes together. Purges come last, which must not be vsed at all, if the malady may be otherwise helped, because they weaken nature and dry so much, and in giuing of them, ^c we must beginne with the gentlest first. Some forbid all hot medicines as *Alexander* and *Salvianus*, &c. *Ne in saniores inde fiant*, Hot medicines increase the disease ^d by drying too much. Purge downward rather then vpward, vse potions rather then pills, and when you beginne Physicke, perseuere and continue in a course, for as one ^e obserues, *mouere & non educere in omnibus malum est*; To stirre vp the humour (as one purge commonly doth) and not to prosecute, doth more harme then good. They must continue in a course of Physicke, yet not so that they tire and oppresse nature, *danda quies natura*, they must sometimes remit, and let nature haue some rest. The most gentle purges to beginne with, are ^f *Sena*, *Cassia*, *Epithyme*, *Myrabolanes*, *Catholicon*: If these preuaile not, wee may proceed to stronger as the confection of *Hameche*, *Pil. Inde*, *Fumitorie*, *de Assaieret*, of *Lapis Armenus* and *Lazuli*, *Diasena*, Or if pills be too dry; ^g some prescribe both *Hel-lebors* in the last place, amongst the rest *Arctus*, ^h because this disease will resist a gentle medicine. *Laurentius* and *Hercules de Saxonia* would haue *Antimony* tryed last, ⁱ if the party be strong, and it warily giuen. ^j *Trincavelius* preferres *Hierologodium*, to whom *Francis Alexander* in his *Apol. rad. 5.* subscribes, a very good medicine they account it. But *Crato* in a counsell of his, for the Duke of *Bavaria's* Chancellour wholly reiects it.

I finde a vast Chaos of medicines, a confusion of receipts and magistrals, amongst writers, appropriated to this disease, some of the chiefest I will rehearse

^c A lenioribus auspicandum. (*Valesius*, *Piso*, *Bruel*) rariuq; medicamentis purgantibus vtendum, ni sit opus.

^d Quia corpora exiccant, morbum augent.

^e *Guianetius* Tract. 15. cap. 6.

^f *Piso*.
^g *Rhasis*, sepe valent ex Hel-leboro.

^h Lib. 7. Exiguus medicamentis morbus non obsequitur.

ⁱ Modò caute datur & robu-fus.

^j *Consil. 10.*

hearse. † To be Sea sicke first is very good at seasonable times. *Helleborifimus* *Matthioli*, with which he vaunts and boasts he did so many severall cures, ^k *neuer gaue it* (saith he) *but after once or twice, by the helpe of God, they were happily cured.* The manner of making of it, he sets downe at large in his third booke of *Epist. to George Hanksbuis* a Physitian. *Gualter Bruel* and *Hennius*, make mention of it with great approbation, and so doth *Skenkius* in his memorable cures, and experimentall medicines, *cent. 6. obser. 37.* That famous *Helleborisme* of *Montanus*, which he so often repeats in his consultations and counsels, as *28. pro melan. sacerdote, & consil. 248. pro Hypochondriaco, & cracks,* ^m *to be a most soueraigne remedy for all melancholy persons, which hee hath often giuen without offence, and found by long experience and obseruation to bee such.*

Quercetan preferres a Syrupe of *Hellebor* in his *Spagirica pharmac.* and *Hellebors Extract* cap. 5. of his invention likewise (a most safe medicine, ⁿ *and not unfit to be giuen children*) before all remedies whatsoever.

Paracelsus in his booke of blacke *Hellebor*, admires this medicine, but as it is prepared by him. ^o *It is most certain* (saith he) *that the vertue of this herb is great, and admirable in effect, and little differing from Balme it selfe, and hee that knowes well how to make use of it, hath more Art then all their bookes containe, or all the Doctors in Germany can shew.*

Alianus Montanus in his exquisite worke *de morb. capitis*, cap. 31. *de mel.* sets a speciall receipt of *Hellebor* of his owne, which in his practise ^p *hee fortunately used, because it is but short, I will set it downe.*

R Syrup de pomis 3 ij, aqua borag. 3 iij,
Ellebori nigri per noctem infusi in ligaturâ
6. vel 8. gr. manè factâ colaturâ exhibe.

Other receipts of the same to this purpose you shall finde in him. *Valescius* admires *pulvis Hali*, and *Iason Pratenfis* after him, the confection of which, our new *London Pharmacopea* hath lately reuiued. ^r *Put case* (he saith) *aliother medicines faile, by the helpe of God this alone will doe it, and it is a crowned medicine, which must be kept in secret.*

R Epithymi 3 B, lapidis lazuli agarici ana 3 ij,
Scammonij, 3 j, Chariophyllorum numero 20. pulveri-
sentur omnia, & ipsius pulveris scrup. 4. singulis septimanis
assumat.

To these I may adde *Arnoldi vinum Buglossatum*, or *Borrage wine* before mentioned, which ^t *Mizaldus* calles *vinum mirabile*, a wonderfull wine, & *Stockerus* vouchsafes to repeate verbatim amongst other receipts. *Rubens* his compound water out of *Savanarola*: *Pinetus* his *Balme*; *Cardans Pulvis Hyacinthi*, with which in his booke *de caris admirandis*, he boastes that hee had cured many melancholy persons in eight dayes, which ^u *Skenkius* puts amongst his obseruable medicines. *Altomarus* his Syrupe, with which ^x *he calls God so solemnly to witnesse*, hee hath in this kinde done many excellent cures, and which *Skenkius* *cent. 7. med. obseru. 80.* mentioneth. *Rulandus* admirable water for melancholy, which *cent. 2. cap. 96.* he calls *Spiritum vitæ*

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† *Plinius* lib. 31 cap. 6. *Naviga-
tiones, ob vomitionem profunt plurimis morbis capitis, & omnibus ob quæ Helleborum b. bunt.*
Idem *Dioscori-
des* lib. 5 cap. 13
*Adicema ter-
tia imprimis.*
^k *Nunquam dedimus, quin ex una aut altera assumptione, Deo inuente, fuerint ad salutem restituti.*
^m *Lib. 2. Inter composita par-
gantia melan-
cholia.*
ⁿ *Longo experi-
mento a se ob-
seruatum esse,
melancholicos sine offensa egre-
gie curandos va-
lere.*

^o *Idem Responsio-
sione ad Auber-
tum, veratrum nigrum, alias ti-
midum & peri-
culosum, vini spiritu etiam &
oleo commodum sit usui reddi-
tur, ut etiam pu-
eris tuto admi-
nistari possit.*
^p *Certum est huius herbe vir-
tutem maximâ & mirabilem
esse, parumq; distare à balsa-
mo. Et qui noris eo rectè uti, plus
habet artis, quâ tota scribentiâ
cohor. aut om-
nes Doctores in
Germaniâ.*
^r *Quo facili-
tèr usus sum.*

^s *Hoc posito quod aliæ medicine non valeant, ista tunc Dei misericordia valebit, & est medicina*

coronata, quæ secretissimè teneatur. ^t *Lib. de artis. med.* ^u *Sect. 3. Optimum remedium aqua composita Savanarolæ;* ^x *Sken-
kius obseru. med. cent. 2. obseru. 31.* ^y *Donatus ab Altomari cap. 7. Testor Deum, me multos melancholicos, huius solius syrapi usa-
surasse, factâ prius purgatione.*

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Centum ova
& unum, quolibet mane sumant ova forbi-
lia, cum sequenti
pulvere supra o-
rum aspersa, &
continuent quo-
usq; assumpserint
centum & unum,
maniacis & me-
lancholicis uti-
lissimum reme-
dium.

Quercetan
cap. 4. Phar. Of-
waldus Crollius.
Cap. 1. Licet
tota Galenista-
rum schola, mi-
neralia non sine
impio & ingra-
to fastu, a sua
practica dete-
stentur, tamen
in gravioribus
morbis, omni ve-
geti bilium dere-
lictio subsidio, ad
mineralia con-
fugunt, licet ea
temere, ignavi-
ter, & inutiliter
utantur. Ad
suam libri.

Codronchus
de sale ab simihij.
Idem Para-
celsus in medi-
cina, quod Lu-
therus in theo-
logia.

Disput. in e-
undem parte 1.
Magus, ebrius,
illiteratus, de-
monem precep-
torem habuit,
demonem fan-
tiarum &c.

† Master Dr
Lapworth.

aureum, Panaceam, what not, and his absolute medicine of 50 Egges, curat. empir. cent. 1. cur. 5. to be taken three in a morning, with a powder of his. ¶ Faventinus prac. Empir. doubles this number of Egges, and will have 101, to be taken by three and three in like sort, which Salust Salviat approves de re med. lib. 2. cap. 1. with some of the same powder, till all be spent, a most excellent remedy for all melancholy and madmen.

R Epithymi, thymi ana drachmas duas, sacchari albi unciam unam, croci grana tria, Cinamomi drachmam unam, misce fiat pulvis.

All these yet are nothing to those 2 Chymicall preparatiues of Aqua Chelidonia, quintessence of Hellebor, salts, extracts, Aurum potabile, &c. Dr Anthony in his booke de auro potab. edit. 1600. is all in all for it. ¶ And though all the schoole of Galenists, with a wicked and unthankfull pride and scorne, detest it in their practise, yet in more grievous diseases, when their vegetals will doe no good, they are compelled to seeke the helpe of mineralls, though they use them rashly, slackely, unprofitably, and to no purpose. Rhenanus, a Dutch Chymist, in his booke de Sale è puteo emergente, takes vpon him to Apologize for Anthony, and sets light by all that speake against him. But what doe I meddle with this great Controuersie, which is the subiect of many Volumnes? Let Paracelsus, Quercetan, Crollius, & the brethren of St Roses crosse defend themselves as they may. Crato, Erastus, and the Galenists oppugne. Paracelsus, hee bragges on the other side, he did more famous cures by this meanes, then all the Galenists in Europe, and calls himselfe a Monarch; Galen, Hippocrates, infants, illiterate &c. ¶ One drop of their Chymicall preparatiues, shall doe more good, then all their fulsome potions, Erastus, and the rest of the Galenists, vilifie them on the other, as Hereticks in Physicke, ¶ Paracelsus did that in Physicke, which Luther in Diuinity. ¶ A drunken roague he was, a base fellow, a Magitian, he had the diuell for his master, diuels his familiar companions, and what hee did, was done by the helpe of the diuell. Thus they contend and raile, and euery Marten write bookes Pro and Con, & adhuc sub iudice lis est, let them agree as they will, I proceede.

SUBSEC. 3.

Averters.

Averters and purgers must goe together, as tending all to the same purpose, to diuert this rebellious humor, and turne it another way. In this range, Clysters and Suppositories challenge a chiefe place, to draw this humor from the braine & heart, to the more ignoble parts. ¶ Some would haue them still vsed some few dayes betweene, and those to be made with the boyled seeds of Annis, Fennell, & bastard Saffron, Hoppes, Thyme, Epithyme, Mallows, Fumitory, Buglosse, Polypody, Sene, Diasene, Hamech, Cassia, Diacatholicon, Hierologodium, oyle of Violets, sweet Almonds &c. For without question, a Clyster opportunely vsed, cannot choose in this, as most other maladies, but to doe very much good. Clysteres nutriunt, sometimes Clysters nourish, as they may be prepared, as I was informed not long since by a learned lecture of our Naturall Philosophy † Reader. Such things

as prouoke vrine most commend, but not swear. *Trincavelius consil. 16. cap. 2.* in head melancholy forbids it. *P. Byarus* and others approue frictions of the outward parts, and to bathe them with warme water. In steed of ordinary frictions, *Cardan* prescribes rubbing with nettles, till they blister the skinn, which likewise *† Basardus Visontinus*, so much magnifies.

Sneefings, masticatories, and nasals, are generally receiued, *Montaltus cap. 34.* *Hildisheim spicel. 2. fol. 136. and 138.* giue seuerall receipts of all three. *Hercules de Saxonia* relates of an Empirick in *Venice*, & that had a strong water to purge by the mouth and nostrils, which hee still vsed in head melancholy, which he would sell for no gold.

To open months and Hemrods, is very good Physicke, ^hIf they haue beene formerly stopped. *Fauentinus* would haue them opened with horse-leaches, and *Hercules de Sax.* *Iulius Alexandrinus consil. 185.* *Stoltzj*, thinkes aloes fitter, ⁱmost approue horse-leaches in this case, to bee applyed to the forehead, ^knostrils, and other places.

Montaltus cap. 29. out of *Alexander* & others, prescribes ^lcupping-glasses, and issues in the left thigh, *Areteus lib. 7. cap. 5.* ^m*Paulus Regolinus, Sylvius*, will haue them without scarification, applyed to the shoulders and backe, thighs and feet. ⁿ*Montaltus cap. 34.* bids open an issue in the Arme, or hinder part of the head. ^o*Piso* inioynes ligatures, frictions: suppositories, & cupping-glasses, still without scarification, and the rest.

Cauteries and hot irons are to be vsed ^pin the suture of the Crowne, and the seared or vlceraed place, suffered to runne a good while. T^{is} not amisse to bore the scull with an instrument, to let out the fuliginous vapours. *Salust. Salviianus de re med. lib. 2. cap. 1.* ^qBecause this humo^r hardly yeeldes to other Physicke, would haue the leg cauterised, or the left leg beneath the knee, ^rand the head bored in two or three places, because it much auails to the exhalation of the vapours. ^sI saw (saith he) a melancholy man at Rome, that by no remedies could be healed, but when by chance hee was wounded in the head, and the scull broken, he was excellently cured. And another, to the admiration of the beholders, breaking his head with a fall from on high, was instantly recovered of his dotage. *Gordonius cap. 19. part. 2.* would haue these cauteries tryed last, when no other Physick will serue, ^tThe head to be shaued and bored, to let out fumes, which without doubt will doe much good. I saw a melancholy man wounded in the head with a sword, his brainepau broken, so long as the wound was open, hee was well, but when his wound was healed, his dotage returned againe.

Guianerius cap. 8. Tract. 15. cured a Nobleman in Savoy, by boring alone, ^uleaving the hole open a month together, by meanes of which, after two yeares melancholy and madnesse, he was deliuered. All approue of this remedy in the suture of the Crowne, but *γ Arculanus* would haue the Cautery to bee made with gold. In many other parts, these cauteries are prescribed for melancholy men, as in the thighes, (*Mercurialis consil. 86.*) armes, legges. *Idem consil. 6. & 29. & 25.* *Montanus consil. 86. &c.* but most in the head. ^vIf other Physicke will doe no good.

^wistro infra genu. ^xFiant duo aut tria cauteria, cum ossis perforatione. ^yVidi Roma melancholicum, qui adhibitis multis remedijs, sanari non poterat, sed cum cranium gladio fractum esset, optime sanatus est. ^zEt alterum vidi melancholicum, qui ex alto cadens, non sine astantium admiratione, liberatus est. ^{aa}Radatur caput, & fiat cauterium in capite, proculdubio ista faciunt ad fumorum exhalationem. vidi melancholicum a fortuna gladio vulneratum, & cranium fractum, quamdiu vulnus apertum, curatus optime, aut quum vulnus sanatum, reuersa est mania. ^{bb}Vsq; ad duram matrem trepanari feci, & per mensem apertu stetit.

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† Ant. Philo⁷
cap. de melan.
frictio urticae,
&c.⁂ Aqua fortis-
sima, purgans os,
nares, quoniam in rena-
uit auro: & en-
deie.⁋ Mercurialis
consil. 6. & 30.
hemorrhoidum⁌ mensum pro-
vocatio iurvat,
modò ex eorum
suppressione or-
tum habuerit.⁍ Laurentius,
Brueel, &c.⁎ P. Bagerius lib.
2. cap. 13. nati-
bus &c.⁏ Cucurbitule
siccae, & fonta-
nelle crure sinis-
tro.⁐ Hildisheim
spicel. 2. Vapores
a cerebro tra-
hendunt sunt fri-⁑ tionibus uni-
uersis, cucurbitu-
lis siccis, humeris
ac dorso affixis,
circa pedes &
crura.⁒ Fontanellam
aperi iuxta occi-
pitum, aut bra-
chium.⁓ Baleni, ligatu-
ra, frictions,
&c.⁔ Cauterium fiat
satur a coronali,
diu fluere per-
mittantur loca
ulcerosa, Trepa-
no etiam cranij
densitas immi-
nui poterit, ut
vaporibus fuligi-
nosis exitus pa-
teat.⁕ Quoniam dif-
ficulter cedit
alijs medicame-
tis, ideo fiat in
vertice cauteri-
um, aut crure si-

*Alteratiues and Cordials, corroborating, resolving the
reliques, and mending the Temperament.*

BEcause this humor is so maligne of it selfe, and so hard to be remoued, the reliques are to be cleansed, by alteratiues, cordials, & such meanes, the temper is to be altered and amended, with such things as fortifie & strengthen the heart and braine, ^a which are commonly both affected in this malady, and doe mutually misaffect one another: which are still to be given euery other day, or some few dayes inserted after a purge or such other Physick, as occasion serues, and are of such force, that many times they helpe alone, and as *Arnoldus* holdes in his Aphorismes, are to be preferred before all other medicines, in what kinde soeuer.

Amongst this number of Cordials and Alteratiues, I doe not find a more present remedy, then a cup of wine, or strong drinke, and if it be soberly and opportunely vsed. It makes a man bold, hardy, couragious, ^c whetteth the wit, if moderately taken, (and as ^d *Plutarch* saith, *Symp. 7. quest. 12.*) it makes those which are otherwise dull, to exhale and evaporate like frankincense. ^e A famous Cordiall *Matthiolus* in *Dioscoridem* calls it, and an excellent nutriment to refresh the body, it makes a good colour, a flourishing age, helpes concoction, fortifies the stomacke, takes away obstructions, prouokes urine, drives out excrements, procures sleepe, cleares the blood, expels winde, and all cold poysons, attenuates, concocts, dissipates all thick vapors, and fuliginous humors. And that which is all in all, and to my purpose, it takes away feare and sorrow,

† *Curas edaces dissipat Enius.*

It glads the heart of man, *Psal. 104. 15.* hilaritatis dulce seminarium, and giues life it selfe, spirits, wit, &c. For which cause, the Ancients called *Bacchus*, *Liber pater*, à *liberando*, & ^f sacrificed to *Bacchus* and *Pallas* still vpon an altar. ^g Wine measurably drinke, and in time, brings gladnesse and chearefulnesse of minde, it cheareth God and men, *Iudges 9. 12.* letitie *Bacchus* dator, it makes an old wife dance, and such as are in misery, to forget ill, and be ^h merry.

Bacchus & afflictis requiem mortalibus affert,

Crura licet duro compede vincta forent.

Wine makes a troubled Soule to rest,

Though feet with fetters be opprest.

Demetrius in *Plutarch*, when he fell into *Seleucus* hands, and was prisoner in *Syria*, [†] spent his time with dice and drinke, that he might so ease his discontented minde, and anoid those continuall cogitations of his present condition, where-with he was tormented. Therefore *Solomon* *Prov. 31. 6.* bids wine be giuen to him that is ready to [†] perish, and to him that hath griefe of heart, let him drinke, that he forget his poverty and remember his misery no more. Sollicitis animis omnis eximit. Nothing speedier, nothing better: which the Prophet *Zachary* perceiued, when he said, ⁱ that in the time of *Messias*, they of *Ephraim* should be glad, & their heart should reioyce as through wine. And which makes me very well ap-

^a Cordis ratio
semper habenda,
quod cerebro co-
patitur, & sese
in vicem afficiunt
^b Aphor. 38.

*Medicina the-
riacalis pre ce-
teris eligenda.*

^c *Galen. de temp.
lib. 3. cap. 3. mo-
derate sumptu,
acuit ingenium.*

^d *Tardos aliter
& tristes ibi
in modum ex-
balare facit.*

^e *Viribus resi-
ciendis cardiaca
eximium, nutri-
endo corpori a-
limentum opti-
mum, etatem
floridam facit,*

*calorem inma-
tum fouet, con-
coctionem inuat,*

*stomachum ro-
borat, excremen-
tis viam parat,*

*urinam mouet,
somnum conciliat,*

*venena frigida,
flatus dissipat,*

*crassos humores
attenuat, coquit,
dissolvit &c.*

[†] *H. r. lib. 2.
Od. 11.*

[†] *Pausanias.*

^g *Syracides 31.
28.*

^h *Legitur &
prisci Catonis.*

*Sape mero calu-
isse virtus.*

[†] *In pocula &
aleam se preci-
pitavit. & vs-
serè remus tra-*

*duxit, ut egram
erapiea mentem*

*levaret, & conditionis
presentis cogitationes quibus
agitabatur sobrius, evitaret.*

[†] So did the Athenians of old, as *Suidas* re-
lates, and so doe the Germans at this day.

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prone of that pretty description of a Feast in † Bartholomeus Anglicus, when grace was said, their hands washed, and the Guests sufficiently exhilarated, with good discourse, sweet musick, dainty fare, *exhilarationis gratia, pocula iterum atq; iterum offerantur*, as a Corollary to conclude the Feast, and continue their mirth, a grace cup came in to cheare their hearts, and they dranke to one another againe and againe. This of drinke is a most easie and parable remedy, a common, a cheap, still ready against feare, sorrow, & such trouble-some thoughts, that molest the mind, as brimstone with fire, the spirits on a sudden are inlightened by it. *Nobetter Physicke* (saith ^k Rhasis) *for a melancholy man; and he that can keepe a company, and carouse, needes no other medicines, 'tis enough.* His cointriman Avicenna 3. 1. doct. 2. cap. 8. proceeds farther yet, and will haue him that is troubled in minde, or melancholy, not to drink on-ly, but now and then to be drunke: excellent good Physicke for this and ma-ny other diseases. *Magninus Reg. san. part. 3. cap. 31.* will haue them to bee so once a month at least, and giues his reasons for it, ^l *because it scowres the body by vomit, urine, sweat, of all manner of superfluities, and keepes it cleane.* Of the same minde is Seneca the Philosopher in his booke *de tranquill. lib. 1. cap. 15.* *nonnunquam ut in alijs morbis ad ebrietatem usq; veniendum. Curas deprimit, tristitia medetur.* It is good sometimes to be drunke, it helps sorrow, deprefeth cares, and so concludes his Tract with a cup of wine. *Habes, Serenissime, que ad tranquillitatem animæ pertinent.* But these are Epicureall re-nents, tending to loosensse of life, luxury and Atheisme, maintained alone by some Heathens, dissolute Arabians, prophane Christians, and are explo-ded by Rabbi Moses Tract. 4. Guliel. Placentinus lib. 1. cap. 8. *Valescus de Taran-ta*, and most accurately by Iq. Sylvaticus, a late writer and Physician of Mil-lan, *med. const. cap. 14.* where you shall finde this tenent copiously confuted.

Howsoeuer you say, if this be true, that wine and strong drinke haue such vertue to expell feare and sorrow, and to exhilarate the minde, euer heere-after let's drinke and be merry.

^m *Prome reconditum Lyda strenui cacubum.*

Capaciores puer huc asser Scyphos

Et Chia vina aut Lesbica.

Come lusty Lyda, fill's a cup of sacke,

And sirra Drawer, bigger pots we lacke,

And scio wines that haue so good a smacke.

I say with him in ⁿ Agellius, *let vs maintaine the vigour of our soule with a moderate cup of wine, & drink to refresh our minde, if there be any cold sorrow in it, or torpid bashfulness, let's wash it all away.* — *Nunc vino pellite curas:* so saith † Horace, so saith Anacreon,

^{*} *Μεθόλη γὰρ ὡς καὶ δες*

Ποτὸν κρείσσον ἢ δαμόλη.

Let's driue downe care with a cup of Ale: and so say I, for all this may bee done, so that it be modestly, soberly, opportunely vsed. Otherwise, as ^o Pliny telleth vs: If singular moderation be not had, *nothing so pernicious, 'tis poyson it selfe.* Let not good fellowes triumph therefore (saith Matthiolus) that I haue so much comended wine, if it be immoderately taken, *in steed of making glad, it confounds both body and soule, it makes a giddy head, a sorrowfull heart.* And 'twas well said of that Poët of old, *wine causeth mirth and grieve,* ^q *no-*

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† Lib. 6. cap. 23.
et 24. de re. um
proprietas.

^k Tract. 1. cont.
lib. 1. Non est
res laudabilior
eo, vel cura me-
lior. qui melan-
cholicus, utatur
societate hominū
et biberia, et
qui potest susti-
nere usum vini,
non indiget aliā
medicinā, quod
est sunt omnia ad
usum necessaria
huius passionis.

^l Tum quod se-
quatur inde su-
dor, vomitus, ur-
ina, a quibus
superfluitates a
corpore remo-
uentur et rema-
net corpus mu-
dum.

^m Hor.

ⁿ Lib. 15. 2. noct.
Att. Vigorem a-
nimi moderato
vini usu tuea-
mur, et calefa-
cto simul, refra-
cto, animo, si
quid in eo vel
frigide tristitie,
vel torpentis ve-
recundie fuerit,
diluamus.

† Od. 7. lib. 1.

^{*} 26. Nam præ-
stat ebrium me
quam mortuum
iacere.

^o Lib. 14. 5. Ni-
hil perniciosius
vitiis si modus
absit, venenum.
^p Theocritus e-
dyl. 13. vino davi
letitiam et do-
lorem.

^q Renodens.

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² Mercurialis
consil. 25. Vinū
frigidū optimū,
et pessimum fe-
rinā melanco-
liā.

¹ Fernelius con-
sil. 44. et 45. vi-
num prohibet
assiduum, et a-
romata.

¹ Modo iecur
non incenditur.
⁴ Per 24 horas
sensum doloris
omnem tollit, et
videre facit.

² In extasim co-
git, omni solitu-
dine liberat, et
teane quid vi-
dere facit.

⁷ Hildebrand
spicel. 2.

² Alkermes, om-
nia vitia vici-
ce a mirā con-
fortat.

² Contra omnes
melancholicos
affectus confort-
at, ac certum est ip-
sius usū omnes
cordis et corpo-
ris vires, mirum
in modum resti-
tuit. Succinum ve-
rū albiſſimum
confortat ven-
triculum, statum
discutit, urinam
mouet, &c.

⁶ Garcias ab
Horto aroma-
tum lib. 1. cap.
15. aduersus om-
nes morbos me-
lancholicos con-
ducit et vene-
num. Ego (in-
quit) utor in
morbis melan-
cholicis, &c. et
deploratos huius
usi, ad pristinam
sanitatem resti-
tui. See more
in Banhimus
booke de lap.

Bezoar. cap. 45.
^d Edit. 1617.
Monſpely ele-
ctuarium sit
preciosissimum

Alkermes &c.

moream, causā

thing so good for some, so bad for others, especially as ¹ one obserues, qui a
causā calidā malē habent, that are hot or inflamed. And so of spices, they a-
lone, as I haue shewed, cause head melancholy themselves, they must not vse
wine as an ordinary drinke, or in their diet. but to determine with *Lauren-
tius* c. 8. de melan, Wine is bad for madmen, and such as are troubled with
heat in their inner parts or braines, but to melancholy, which is cold (as most
is) Wine soberly vsed, is very good.

I may say the very same of the Decoction of *China* roots, *Sassafras*, *Sassa-
parilla*, *Guaiacum*. *China*, saith *Manardus*, makes a good colour in the face,
takes away melancholy, and all infirmities proceeding from cold, and so *Sal-
saperilla* prouokes sweat mightily, *Guaiacum* dries. *Claudianus* consult. 89. et
40. *Montanus*, *Capivaccius* consult 188. *Scoltzj*. make frequent and good vse
of *Guaiacum*, and *China*, so that the liuer be not incensed, good for such as are
cold, as most melancholy men are, but by no meanes to bee mentioned in
hore.

Borrage, *Bawme*, *Saffron*, *Gold*, I haue spoken of; *Montanus* cap. 23. com-
mends *Scorzonera* roots condite. *Garcias* ab *Horto* plant. hist. lib. 2. cap. 25.
makes mention of an hearbe called *Datura*, which if it be eaten for 24. houres
following, takes away all sense of grieve, and makes them incline to laughter and
mirth: and another called *Bauge*, like in effect to *Opium*, which puts them for
a time into a kinde of *Extasis*, and makes them gently to laugh. One of the Ro-
man Emperors had a seed, which he did ordinarily eat to exhilarate himselfe.
y *Christophorus* *Ayrerus* preferres *Bezoars* stone, and the confection of *Al-
kermes*, before all other cordials, and *Amber* in some cases. ² *Alkermes* com-
forts the inner parts, and *Bezoar* stone, hath an especiall vertue against all me-
lancholy affections, ^a it comforts the heart, and corroborates the whole body.
^b *Amber* prouokes vrine, helps the body, breakes wind, &c. After a purge 3
or 4 gr. of *Bezoar* stone, and 3 gr. of *Amber* *Greece*, drunke, or taken in *Borage*
or *Buglosse* water, in which gold hot hath beene quenched, will doe much
good, & the purge shall diminish lesse (the heart so refreshed) of the strength
and substance of the body.

R. confect. Alkermes 3 B lap. Bezoar 3j.

Succini albi subtilis. pulverisat. 3ij cum

Syrup. de cort. citri, fiat electuarium.

To *Bezoars* stone most subscribe, *Manardus*, and ^e many others, it takes a-
way sadnesse, and makes him merry that vseth it, I haue seen some that haue bin
much displeased with faintnesse, swooning, and melancholy, and taking the
weight of three graines of this stone, in the water of *Oxtongue*, haue bin cured.
Garcias ab *Horto* brags, how many desperate cures hee hath done vpon me-
lancholy men, by this alone, when all Physitians had forsaken them. But *Al-
chermer* many except against, in some cases it may helpe, if it be good, and of
the best, such as that of *Monſpely* in France, which ^d *Iodocus* *Sincerus* *Itine-
rario* *Gallia*, so much magnifies, and would haue no trauellet to omit to see it
made. But it is not so generall a medicine as the other. *Fernelius* consil. 49. su-
spectis *Alchermer*, by reason of its heat, ^e nothing (saith he) sooner exasperates
this disease, then the vse of hot working meats and medicines, and would haue

^e Nihil morbum hunc aequē exasperat, ac alimentorum vel calidiorum usus. Alchermer ideo suspectus, et quod semel
moream, causā adhibenda calida medicamenta.

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them therefore warily taken. I conclude therefore of this and all other medicines, as *Thucydides* of the plague at *Athens*. No remedy could be prescribed for it, *Nam quod uni profuit, hoc alijs erat exitio*. There is no Catholike medicine to be had, that which helps one, is pernicious to another.

Diamargaritum frigidum, Diambra, Diaboraginatam, Electuarium latifolians Galeni & Rhafis, De gemmis, Diantbos, Diamoscum dulce & amarum, Electuarium Conciliatoris, Syrup. Cidoniorum de pomis, conferves of Roses, Violets, Fumitory, Enula campana, Satyrion, Lemans, Orange Pills condite, &c. haue their good vse.

R. *Diamoschi dulcis & amari ana 3 ij.*

Diabuglossati Diaboraginati sacchari violacij ana 3 j. misce cum syrupo de pomis.

Euery Physitian is full of such receipts, one only I will adde for the rarenesse of it, which I find recorded by many learned Authors, as an approued medicine against dotage, head melancholy, and such diseases of the braine. Take a Rammes head that neuer medled with an Ewe, cut off at a blow, and the hornes onely taken away, boyle it well skinned and wooll together, after it is well sod, take out the braines, and put these spices to it, Cinamome, Ginger, Nutmeg, Mace, Cloues ana 3 B, mingle the powder of these spices with it, and heat them in a Platter vpon a chafing-dish of coales together, stirring them well, that they doe not burne, take heed it be not ouermuch dried, or dryer then a calves brains ready to be eaten. Keepe it so prepared, & for three dayes giue it the Patient fasting, so that he fast two houres after it. It may be eaten with bread, in an egge or broath, or any way, so it bee taken. For 14 dayes let him vse this diet, drinke no wine, &c. *Gesner. hist. animal. lib. 1. pag. 917. Caristerius pract. cap. 13. in Nich. de metri pag. 129. Iatro. Witenberg edit. Tubing. pag. 62.* mention this medicine, though with some variation, hee that list may try it, & and many such.

Odoraments to smell to, of Rose water, Violet Flowres, Bawme, Rose-cakes, Vineger, &c. doe much recreate the braines and spirits, and as some say, nourish, 'tis a question commonly controuerted in our schooles, *an odores nutrant*, let *Picinus lib. 2. cap. 18.* decide it, many arguments he brings to proue it, as of *Democritus*, that liued by the smell of bread alone, applyed to his nostrils, for some few dayes, when for old age he could eat no meate. *Ferrerijs lib. 2. meth.* speaks of an excellent confection of his making, of wine, saffron, &c. which he prescribed to dull, weake, feeble, and dying men, to smell to, and by it to haue done very much good, *aquæ fere profuisse olfactu ac potu*, as if he had giuen them drinke. And our noble and learned Lord *Verulam*, in his booke *de vitâ & morte*, commends therefore all such colde smells, as any way serue to refrigerate the spirits. *Montanus consil. 31.* prescribes a forme, which he would haue his melancholy Patient neuer to haue out of his hands. If you will haue them spagirically prepared, looke in *Oswal. dus Crollius basl. Chymica.*

Irrigations of the head shauen, of the flowres of water lillies, Lettice, Violets, Camomile, wild Mallowes, wetters heads, &c. must bee vsed many mornings together. *Montanus consil. 31.* would haue the head so washed once a weeke. *Laelius à Fonte Eugubinus consult. 44.* for an Italian Count, troubled with head melancholy, repeates many medicines which he tried, but two

f *Schenkijus lib. 1. obseruat de Mania, ad mentis alienationem, & desipientiam vitio cerebri obortam, in manu scripto codice Germanico, tale medicamentum reperi.*

g *Caput arietis nondum expertum venere, imo iclum amputatum, cornibus tantum demotis, integrum cum lana & pelle, bene elixabis, tum aperto cerebri eximes, & add. m. aromata &c.*

h *Cinis testudinis usum, & vino potus melancholiam curat, & rasura cornu Rhinocerotis, &c. Schenkijus.*

i *Inflat in matrice, quod iussu & deorsum ad odoris sensum precipitatur.*

k *Vicounte Se Albans.*

l *Ex decocto florum nymphae, lafluce, violarum, chamomille, altheæ, capiti veruicum, &c.*

m *Inter auxilia multa adhibita, duo visa sunt remedium adferre, usus ferri caprini, cum extracto Hellebori, & irrigatio*

n *ex lacte Nymphae violarum, &c. suture coronali adhibita, his remedijs sanitatem pristinam adeptus est.*

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¹ Confort & pulmo arietis, calidus ignis per dorsum diffusus, exenteratus ad motus sin- cipitis.

alone which did the cure, use of whey made of Goats milke, with the extract of Hellebor, and Irrigations of the head with water lillies, lettuce, violets, camomile &c. upon the suture of the crowne. Piso commends a Rammes lungs, applied hot to the forepart of the head, or a yong lamb diuided in the backe, exenterated &c. all acknowledge the chiefe cure to consist in moistning throughout. Some, saith *Laurentius*, use powders, and caps to the braine: but foras- much as such aromaticall things are hot and dry, they must bee sparingly vsed.

Vnto the Heart we may doe well to apply bags, Epithemes, Oyntments, of which *Laurentius* c. 9. de melan. giues examples. *Brue*l prescribes an Epi- theme for the Heart, of Buglosse, Borrage, water-lilly, Violet waters, sweete wine, Bawm leaues, Nutmegs, Cloues &c.

For the Belly, make a Fomentation of oyle, ^m in which the seedes of Cum- min, Rue, Carrets, Dill, haue bene boyled.

Bathes are of wonderful great force in this malady, much admired by ⁿ *Ga- len*, ^o *Ætius*, *Rhasis*, &c. of sweet water, in which is boyled the leaues of Mal- lowes, Roses, Violets, Water-lillies, Wethers heads, flowres of Buglosse, ca- momile, Melilot, &c. *Guianer* c. p. 8. tract. 15. would haue them vsed twice a day, and when they come forth of the Bathes, their backe bones to be anoin- ted with oyle of Almonds, Violets, Nymphaea, fresh capon grease &c.

Amulets and things to be borne about, I finde prescribed, taxed by some, approued by others, looke for them in *Mizaldus*, *Porta*, *Albertus*, &c. *Bes- sardus Visontinus* ant. philos. commends *Hypericon*, or *S^t Johns wort* gathered on a fryday in the houre of *Iupiter*, when it comes to his effectuell operation (that is about the full Moone in Iuly) so gathered and borne, or hung about the necke, it mightily helps this affection, and driues away all phantasticall spirits.

* *Philes* a Greeke author that flourished in the time of *Michael Paleologus*, writes that a Sheep or Kiddes skinne, whom a Wolfe wearied,

† *Hædus inhumani raptus ab ore Lupi*, ought not at all to be worne about a man, because it causeth palpitation of the heart, not for any feare, but a secret vertue which Amulets haue. A ring made of the hooffe of an Asses right forefoot carried about, &c. I say with *P Renodens*, they are not al- together to be reiected, Piony doth helpe Epilepsie, pretious stones most diseases, & a Wolues dung borne with one helpes the Cholick, & a Spider an Ague, &c. Being in the country, in the vacation time, not many yeares since, at *Lindly* in *Lecestershire* my fathers house, I first obserued this Amulet of a Spider in a nut-shell lapped in filke, &c. so applyed for an Ague by * my mo- ther. Whom although I knewe to haue excellent skill in Surgery, sore eyes, aches, &c. and such experimentall medicines, as all the country where shee dwells can witnesse, to haue done many famous cures (& still doth) vpon di- vers poore folks that were otherwise destitute of help. Yet among all other experiments, this me thought was most absurd & ridiculous, I could see no warrant for it. *Quid Aranea cum febre?* for what Antipathy? till at length rambling amongst authors (as often I doe) I found this very medicine in *Di- oscorides* approued by *Matthiolus*, repeated by *Alderouandus* cap. de *Aranea* lib. de insectis, I beganne to haue a better opinion of it, and to giue more cre- dit to Amulets, when I sawe it in some parties answer to experience. Such medicines are to bee exploded, that consist of words, characters, spells, and charmes,

^m Semina Cu- mini rute, dru- ci, anethi cocta. ⁿ Lib. 3. de locis affect. ^o Tetrab. 2. fer. 1. cap. 10.

† Cap de me- lan. collectum die veneris hora 10. is, cum ad E- nergiam venis- set. ad plenilu- nium Iuly inde gesta & collo- appensa hunc af- fectum apprin- iuat & sanati- cos spiritus ex- pellit.

* Lib. de pro- prietat. animal. ouis a lupo cor- repte pellem non esse pro induriti- to corporis usur- pandum. cordia enim palpitatio- nem excitat, &c.

† Mart. 1 Phar. lib. 1. cap. 12.

^o *Ætius* cap. 31 Tetr. 3. fer. 4.

^z *Disco*rides, *Plinius* *Alderou- andus* de arane- a.

* *Mistria* *Doro- thy* *Burton*.

charmes, which can doe no good at all, but out of a strong conceit, as *Pomponatus* proues; or the Diuells pollicy, that is the first founder and teacher of them.

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SUBSECT. 6.

Correctors of accidents to procure sleepe. Against fearefull dreames, rednesse, &c.

When you haue vsed all good meanes and helpes of alteratiues, auerterers, diminutiues, yet there will be still certaine accidents to bee corrected and amended, as waking, fearefull dreames, flushing in the face to some, to some ruddinesse, &c.

Waking by reason of their continuall cares, feares, sorrowes, dry braines, is a symptome that much crucifies melancholy men, and must therefore bee speedily helped, and sleep by all meanes procured, which sometimes is a sufficient remedy of it selfe without any other physicke. *Skenkius* in his observations hath an example of a woman that was so cured. The meanes to procure it, are inward or outward. Inwardly taken, are simples, or compounds, simples, as Poppy, Nymphaea, Violets, Roses, Lettice, Mandrake, Henbane, Nightshade or Solanum, Saffron, Hempseed, Nutmegs, Willowes: with their seeds, iuyce, decoctions, distilled waters, &c. Compounds are syrups, or opiats, syrup of Poppy, Violets Verbasco which are commonly takē with distilled waters.

*R diacodij ʒj dioscordij ʒʒ aqua lectuca ʒiij
mista fiat potio ad horam somni sumenda.*

Solo somno curata est citra medici auxilium. fol. 154.

Requies Nicolai, *Philonium Romanum*, *Triphera magna*, *pilula de Cynoglossa*, *Dioscordium*, *Laudanum Paracelsi*, *Opium*, are in vse, &c. Countrey folkes commonly make a posset of hempe-feed, which *Fuchsius* in his herball so much discommends, yet I haue seene the effect, and it may bee vsed where better medicines be not to be had.

Laudanum Paracelsi is prescribed in two or three graines, with a dramme of *Dioscordium*, which *Oswald. Crollius* commends. *Opium* it selfe is most part vsed outwardly, ʒj to smell to in a ball, though commonly so taken by the Turkes to the same quantity for a cordiall, and at Goa in the *Indies* the dose 40 or 50 graines.

Bellonius observat. l. 3. c. 15. lassitudinem & labores animi tollunt inde Garcias ab Her. to lib. 1. cap. 4. simp. med.

Rulandus calls *requies Nicolai*, *ultimum refugium*, the last refuge; but of this and the rest looke for peculiar receipts in *Victorius Faventinus cap. de phrenesi*. *Heurnius cap. de Mania Hildesheim spicel. 4. de somno & vigil. &c.* Outwardly vsed, as oyle of Nutmegs by extraction, or expression with Rose water to annoint the temples, oyles of Poppy, Nenuphar, Mandrake, Purselane, Violets, to the same purpose.

Montanus consil. 24. & 25. much commends odoraments of *Opium*, Vineger, and Rosewater, *Laurentius cap. 9.* prescribes Pomanders and nodules, see the receipts in him. *Codronchus* wormewood to smell to.

Abstinium somnos allicit olfactu.

Vnguentum Alabastrium, populeum, to annoint the temples, nostrills, or if they be too weake to mix Saffron and *Opium*. Take a graine or two of *Opium*, and dissolve it with three or foure drops of Rose-water in a spoone, & after mingle with it as much *Vnguentum populeum* as a nut, vse it as before:

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or else take halfe a dramme of Opium, *Vaguentum populeum*, oyle of Nenu-
phar, Rosewater, Rosevineger, of each halfe an ounce, with as much Virgin
wax as a nut, annoint your temples with some of it, *ad horam somni*.

Sacks of Wormewood, ² Mandrake, ³ Henbane, Roses made like pillows
and laid vnder his head, are mentioned by ² Cardan and *Mizaldus*, to annoint
the soles of the feet with fatte of a dormouse, the teeth with care-wax of a dogge,
swines gall, hares eares, charmes, &c.

Frontlets are well knowne to every good wife, Rosewater and Vineger,
with a little womans milke, and Nutmegs grated vpon a Rose-cake applied
to both temples.

For an emplaster, take of Castorium a dramme and halfe, of Opium halfe
a scruple, mixt both together with a little water of life, make two sinall pla-
sters thereof, and apply them to the temples.

Rulandus cent. 1. cur. 17. cent. 3. cur. 94. prescribes Epithemes and lotions
of the head, with the decoction of the flowres of Nymphaea, Violet leaues,
Mandrake roots, Henbane, white Poppy. *Herc. de Saxonia*, *stillicidia* or drop-
pings, &c. Lotions of the feet doe much auaile of the said hearbs: by these
meanes, saith *Laurentius*, I thinke you may procure sleepe to the most me-
lancholy man in the world. Some vse horseleeches behind the eares, and ap-
ply Opium to the place.

² *Bayerus lib. 2. c. 13.* sets downe some remedies against fearefull dreames,
and such as walke and talke in their sleepe. *Baptista Porta Mag. nat. lib. 2. c. 6.*
to procure pleasant dreames and quiet rest, would haue you take Hippo-
glossa, or the hearbe horsetongue, Bawme, to vse them or their distilled wa-
ters after supper, &c. Such men must not eat Beanes, Pease, Garlick, Ony-
ons, Cabbidge, Venison, Hare, Blacke wines, or any meat hard of digestion
at supper, or lye on their backs, &c.

Rusticus Pudor, bashfulnesse, flushing in the face, high colour, ruddines are
common grieuances which much torture many melancholy men, whē they
meet a man or come in a company of their betters, strangers, or after a meal,
or if they drinke a cup of wine or strong drinke, they are as red and flect and
sweat, as if they had been at a Maiors feast, *praesertim si metus acceperit*, it ex-
ceeds, ^b they thinke every man obserues it, takes notice of it: and feare alone
will effect it, suspition without any other cause. *Sckenkins obseruat. med. lib.*
1. Speakes of a waiting Gentlewoman in the Duke of Sauoyes Court, that
was so much offended with it, that she kneeled downe to him & offered *By-*
arus a Physitian, all that she had to bee cured of it. And 'tis most true, that
^c *Antony Lodovicus*, saith in his booke *de Pudore*, Bashfulnesse either much
hurts or helpes, such men I am sure it hurts. If it proceed from suspition or
feare, ^d *Felix Plater* prescribes no other remedy but to reiect and contemne
it: *Id populus curat scilicet*, as a ⁺ worthy Physitian in our town said to a frend
of mine in like case, complaining without a cause, suppose one looke redde,
what matter is it, make light of it, who obserues it?

If it trouble at, or after meales, (as ^e *Robertus* obserues, *med. pract. lib. 1. l. 7.*)
or after a little exercise or stirring, as many are hot and red in the face, or if
they doe nothing at all, especially women, he would haue them let bloud in
both armes, first one, then another, two or three dayes betweene if bloud a-
bound, to vse frictions of the other parts, feet especially, and washing of the,
because

² Read Lemai-
us lib. ber. bib.
ca. 2. of Man-
drake.

³ *Hypocyanus*
sub cerv. ali vi-
ridis.

² *Plantam pe-*
dis inungere
pinguedine gliris
dicunt efficaci-
simum. Et quod
vix credi potest,
dentes inunctos
ex sorditis au-
rium canis som-
num profundum
conciliare &c.
Cardan. de re-
rum variet.

⁺ *Veni mecum*
lib.

^a *Aut si quid*
incautus exci-
derit aut, &c.
^b *Nam qua*
parte pauor si-
mul est pudor
additus illi.
Statinus.

^c *Olyssiponen-*
sis medicus pudor
aut inuat aut
ledit.

^d *De mentis a-*
lienat.

^e *Facies non*
nullis maxime
calet rubetq; si
se paululum ex-
ercuerint non
nullis quiescen-
tibus idem ac-
cidit, feminis
praesertim causa
quicquid ferui-
dum aut haliu-
osum sanguinem
facit.

⁺ M^r Doctor
Ashworth.

because of that consent which is betwixt the head and the feet. ^f And withall to refrigerate the face, by washing it often with rose, Violet, Nenuphar, Lettice, Lovage waters and the like: but the best of all is that *lac virginale*, or strained liquor of Litargy. It is diuersly prepared by *Iobertus* thus. *R. lit. bar. argentij 3 j cerussa candidissima. 3 iij. capbura. 3 iij. dissolvantur aquarum solani, lactuce, & nenupharis ana 3 iij. aceti vini albi. 3 ij. aliquot horas resideat, deinde transmittatur per philt. aqua seruetur in vase vitrio, ac ea bis terue facies quotidie irroretur.* ^g *Quercetan spagir. phar. cap. 6.* commendes the water of frogges spawn for ruddines in the face. ^h *Crato consil. 283. Scolt. xij* would faine haue them vse all summer, the condite flowres of Succory, Strawbury water, Roses, (cupping glasses are good for the time) *consil. 286. & 285.* & to defecate impure blood with the infusion of Sene, Savory, Bawme water. ⁱ *Hollerius* knewe one cured alone with the vse of Succory boyled, & drunke for fve monthes, euery morning in the summer.

^k It is good ouer night to annoint the face with Hares blood, and in the morning to wash it with Strawbury water, and cowslip water, of the iuyce of distilled Lemmons, or to vse the seeds of Mellons, or kernells of Peaches, beaten small, or the roots of Aron, and mixt with wheat branne, to bake it in an ouen, and to crumble it in strawbury water, ^l or to put fresh cheese curdes to a red face.

If it trouble them at meale times that flushing, as oft it doth, with sweating or the like, they must avoid all violent passions and actions as laughing, &c. strong drinke, and drinke very little, ^m one draught saith *Crato*, and that about the midst of their meale, avoid at all times indurate salt, and especially spice and windy meat.

ⁿ *Crato* prescribes the condite fruit of wilde rose, to a nobleman his patient, to be taken before dinner or supper, to the quantity of a Chestnut. It is made of sugar, as that of Quinces. The decoction of the roots of sowthistle before meat by the same Author is much approued. To eat of a baked apple some advise, or of a preserued Quince, Commineed prepared, with meat instead of salt, to keepe downe fumes: not to study or to bee intentiue after meales.

R. nucleorum persic seminis melonum ana 3 B.

aqua fragrorum l. ij. misce vtatur mane.

^o To apply cupping glasses to the shoulders is very good. For the other kinde of ruddinesse which is setled in the face with pimples, &c. because it pertaines not to my subiect, I will not meddle with it. I referre you to *Crato's Counsells*, *Arnoldus lib. 1. breuiar. cap. 39. 1. Rulande, Peter Forestus de Fureo lib. 3. 1. obser. 2. To Platerus, Mercurialis, Ylmus, Randoletius, Henrnius*, and others that haue written largely of it.

Those other grieuances and symptomes of headach, *Vertigo, deliquium*, &c. which trouble many melancholy men, because they are copiously handled a part in every Physician, I doe voluntarily omit.

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¹ Interim faciei
prospiciendum
ut ipsa refringe-
retur; utrumq;
presabitu fre-
quens lotio ex a-
qua rosarum, vi-
olarum, nenu-
pharis, &c.

² Ad faciei ru-
borem aqua
spermatis rana-
rum.

³ Recte vitan-
tur in estate flo-
ribus Cichori;
saccharo condi-
tu, vel saccharo
rosaceo, &c.

⁴ Solo vlti de-
cocti Cichori.

⁵ Vtile impi-
mis noctu faci-
em illinire san-
guine leporino,
& man e aqua
fragorum. vel

aqua e floribus
verbasci cum
succo limonum
distillato abluere
⁶ Vtile rubenti
faciei casum
recentem impo-
nere.

⁷ Consil. 21.
lib. unico vini
haustu sit con-
tentus.

⁸ Idem consil.
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laudatur condit.
rose canine fru-
ctus ante pran-
dium & cenam
ad magnitudi-
nem castane.

Decoctum radi-
cum Sonchi, si
ante cibum su-
matur, valet
plurimum.

⁹ Cucurbit. ad
scapulas apposi-
ta.

MEMB. 2.

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Cure of Melancholy ouer all the body.

WHere the melancholy blood possesseth the whole Body with the Braine, it is best to beginne with blood-letting. ¶ The Greekes prescribe the *Median* or middle veine to be opened, & so much blood to be taken away, as the patient may well spare, & the cut that is made must be wide enough. The *Arabians* hold it fittest to bee taken from that arme, on which side there is more paine and heauinesse in the head. If blacke blood issue forth, bleed on, if it be cleere and good, let it be instantly suppressed, because the malice of melancholy is much corrected by the goodnesse of the blood. If the parties strength will not admit much evacuation in this kind at once, it must be assayed againe and againe, if it may not conveniently be taken from the arme, it must be taken from the knees and ankles: especially to such men or women whose hæmrods or monthes haue beene stopped. ¶ If the malady continue, it is not amisse to evacuate in a part, in the forehead, & to virgins in the ankles, which are melancholy for loue matters, so to widowes that are much grieued and troubled with sorrow and cares: for bad blood flowes to the heart, and so crucifies the minde. The hæmrods are to be opened with an instrument or horseleeches, &c. see more in *Montanus* cap. 29. *Sckenkius* hath an example of one that was cured by an accidentall wound in his thigh, much bleeding freed him from melancholy. Diet, Diminutiues, Alteratiues, Cordials, correctors as before, intermixt as occasion serues, all their study must be to make a melancholy man fatte, and then the cure is ended. *Diuretica* or medicines to procure vrine are prescribed by some in this kinde, hot & cold: hot where the heat of the liuer doth not forbid, cold where the heat of the liver is very great, amongst hot are Parsley roots, Lovage, Fennell, &c. cold Mellon seeds, &c. with whay of Goats milk which is the common conueigher.

To purge and purify the blood, vse Sowthistle, Succory, Sena, Endiue, Carduus Benedictus, Dandelion, Hoppe, Maidenhaire, Fumitory, Buglosse, Borage, &c. with their iuyce, decoctions, distilled waters, Syrups, &c.

Oswaldus Crollius basil. Chym. much admires salt of Coralls in this case, and *Ætius Tetrabib. ser. 2. cap. 114. Hieram Archigenis*, which is an excellent medicine to purifie the blood, for all melancholy affections falling sicknesse, none to be compared to it.

MEMB. 3. SUBSEC. I.

Cure of Hypochondriacall melancholy.

IN this Cure as in the rest, is especially required the rectification of those six non-naturall things, about all a good diet, which *Montanus* consil. 27. inioynes a French Nobleman, To haue an especiall care of it, without which all other remedies are in vaine. Bloodletting is not to be vsed, except the patients body bee very full of blood, and that it bee derived from the liuer and spleene

¶ Pifo.
¶ Mediana præ
ceteris,

¶ Succo melan-
cholicæ malitia
à sanguinis bo-
nitate corrigitur
¶ Perfeuerante
malo ex qua
cunq; parte san-
guis deirahi de-
bet.

¶ Observat. fol.
154. curatus ex
vulnere in crure
ob cruo. em a-
missum.

¶ Studium sit
omne ut melan-
cholicus impin-
guetur: ex quo
enim pingues &
carnosi filio sa-
ni sunt.

¶ Hildesheim
spicel. Inter
calida radix pe-
troelinii apii se-
miculi. Inter fri-
gida emulsio se-
minis melonum
cum sero capri-
no quod est com-
mune vehiculū.

¶ Non est aliud
medicamentum
quod huic com-
parari possit.

¶ Hoc unum
premonet domi-
ne, ut sis diligens
circa victum, si-
ne quo cetera
remedia frustra
adhibeantur.
¶ Pifo.

spleene to the stomacke and his vessells, then ^b to drawe it backe, to cut the inner veine of either the arme, some say the *saluatella*, and if the maladie bee continuat, ^c to open a veine in the forehead.

Preparatiues and Alteratiues may be vsed as before, sauing that there must be respect had as well to the liuer, spleene, stomacke, hypocondries, as to the heart and braine. To comfort the [†] stomacke and inner parts against winde and obstructions, by *Aretius*, *Galen*, *Etius*, *Aurelianus*, &c. and many later writers, are still prescribed the decoctions of Wormewood, Centaury, Penneriall, sod in Whay and dayly drunke: many haue beene cured by this medicine alone.

Codronchus in his booke *de sale ab sin.* magnifies the salt of Wormewood about all other remedies, ^d which workes better and speedier then any other simple whatsoeuer, and much to be preferred before all those fulsome decoctions & infusions, which much offend by reason of their quantity, this alone in a small measure taken expells winde, and that most forcibly, mooues vrine, cleanseth the stomacke of all grosse humours, crudities, helpes appetite, &c. *Arnoldus* hath a Wormewood wine which he would haue vsed, which euery *Pharmacopœa* speakes of.

Diminutiues and purgers may ^e be taken as before, of *hiera*, *manna*, *castia* which *Montanus* *consil.* 230. for an Italian Abbot, in this kinde preferres before all other simples. ^f And these must be often vsed, still abstaining from those which are more violent, lest they doe exasperate the stomacke, &c. and the mischief by that meanes be increased. Though in some Physitians I find very strong purgers, *Hellebor* it selfe prescribed in this affection. If it long continue, vomits may be taken after meate, or otherwise gently procured with warme water, oximell, &c. now and then. *Fuchsius* *cap.* 33. prescribes *Hellebor* it selfe, but still take heed in this malady, which I haue often warned of hot medicines, ^g because (as *Saluianus* addes) drought followes heate, which increaseth the disease: and yet *Baptista Silvaticus* *controv.* 32. forbids cold medicines, ^h because they increase obstructions, and other bad symptomes. But this varies as the parties doe, and 'tis not easie to determine which to vse. ⁱ The stomacke most part in this infirmitie is cold, the liuer hot, scarce therefore (which *Montanus* insinuates *consil.* 220. for the Earle of Monfort) can you helpe the one, and not hurt the other: much discretion must be vsed, take no Physicke at all he concludes, without great need. *Lalius Agubinus* *consult.* 77. for an Hypocondriacall German Prince, vsed many medicines, but it was after signified to him in Letters, that the decoction of China and Sassafras, and salt of Sassafras, wrought him an incredible good. In his 108 *Consult.* hee vsed as happily the same remedies, this to a third might haue bin poyson, by ouer-heating his liuer and blood.

For the other parts looke for remedies in *Sauanarola*, *Gordonius*, *Iohnson*, &c. one for the Spleene, amongst many other, I will not omit, cited by *Hildebrand* *spicel.* 2. and prescribed by *Mat. Flaccus*, and out of the authority of *Beneuenius*. *Antony Beneuenius* in an Hypocondriacall passion, ¹ Cured an exceeding great swelling of the Spleene with Capers alone, a meat besfitting that

refrigerabile hepar sine alterius maximo detrimento.

^k Significatum per literas, incredibilem utilitatem ex decocto Chime, & Sassafras percepisse. ^l Umorem splenis incurabilem, solâ cappari curauit cibo, tali aegritudine aptissimo. Solâ, usq. aquæ, in quo sapor feruarius sepe condens ferrum extraxerat, &c.

^b *Laurentius* *cap.* 15. *reuls-*
onis gratia ve-
nam internam
alterius Brachii
secamus.

^c *Si Pertinax*
marbus venam
fronte secabit.
Bruel.

[†] *Ego maximâ*
curam stomacho
delegabo, Olla
Horatiani lib.
2. cap. 5.

^d *Citius & effi-*
catius suas vires
exerget quam
solent decocta ac
diluta in quan-
titate multa, &
magna cum as-
umentum mo-
lestia desumpta.

^e *Flatus huius ef-*
ficienter dissipat
uriam mouet,
humores crassos
absterget, stoma-
chum egregie
confortat crudi-
tatem nanctam
appetentiam mi-
rum in modum
renouat &c.

^f *Piso, Altoma-*
rius. Laurentius
cap. 15.
^g *Hic utendum*
sepius iteratis,
vehementiori-
bis semper ab-
stinendum ne
ventrem exasper-
ent.

^h *Lib. 2. cap. 1.*
Quoniam cali-
ditate coniuncta
est siccitas que
malum auget.
ⁱ *Quisquis frigi-*
dis auxilijs bo-
no: rbo vsus fue-
rit, is obstructio-
nem, aliâq. symp-
tomata augetis.

^j *Ventriculus*
plurimq. frigi-
dis, epas cali-
dum, quomodo
ergo ventriculus
calefaciet, vel

^k *Chime, & Sassa-*
fras
^l *Soloq. usq. aquæ, in quo sapor fer-*

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^m Animalia que apud hos fabros educantur, exiguas habent lienes.

ⁿ Si hemorroides fluere, nullam praestantius esset remedium, quae sanguis ad motum provocari poterat. observat. lib. 1. pro hypoleguleio.

^o Alijs avertio haec in hoc morbo videtur utilissima, mihi non admodum probatur, quia sanguinem tenuem attrahit, & crassum relinquit.

^p Lib. 2. cap. 13. omnes melancholici debent omittere urinam provocantia, quoniam per ea educitur subtile, & remanet crassum.

^q Ego experientia probavi, multos Hypochondriacos, solo usu Clysterum fuisse sanatos.

^r In cruditate optimum, ventriculum acutius alligari.

^s 3 j. Theriaca, Vere praesertim & estate.

^t Consil. 12 lib. 1. Cap. 33.

^x Trincavellius consil. 15. cerotum pro sene melancholico adiecit optimum.

^y Emplastrum pro splene. Fernelius consil. 45.

^z Dropax e pice navali, & oleo rutaceo affigatur ventriculo, & toti metaphreni.

^a Caustica cruda inusta.

infirmities, and frequent use of the water of a Smiths forge, by this Physicke hee cured a sicke man, whom all other Physitians had forsaken, that for seven yeares had beene Spleniticke. And of such force is this water, ^m that such creatures as drinke of it, haue commonly little or no spleene. See more excellent medicines for the Spleene in him. Averters must be vsed to the Liuer and Spleene, and to scowre the Meseriacke veines, and they are either to open or prouoke vrine. You can open no place better then the hemrods, which if by horseleeches they be made to flow, ⁿ there may not be again such an excellent remedie, as Plaster holds. Salust. Salvia will admit no other blood letting but this, & by his experience in an Hospitall which he kept, he found all mad and melancholy men worse for other blood-letting. Laurentius cap. 15. calls this of horseleeches, a sure remedy to empty the Spleene and Meseriacke membrane. Only Montanus consil. 248. is against it, ^o to other men (saith he) this opening of the hemrods seemes to be a profitable remedy, for my part I doe not approue of it, because it drawes away the thinnest blood, and leaues the thickest behinde.

Etius, Vidus Vidius, Mercurialis, Euchsius, recommend Diuretickes, or such things as prouoke vrine, as Anniseeds, Dill, Fennel, Germaner, ground Pine, sod in water, or drunke in powder, and yet P. P. Bayerus is against them. All melancholy men (saith he) must avoide such things as prouoke vrine, because by them the subtiler or thinnest is evacuated, the thicker matter remaines.

Clysters are in good request; Trincavellius lib. 3. consil. 38. for a yong Nobleman, esteemes of them in the first place, and Hercules de Saxonia Panth. lib. 1. cap. 16. is a great approver of them. ^q I haue found (saith he) by experience, that many Hypochondriacall melancholy men, haue beene cured by the sole use of Clysters, receipts are to be had in him.

Besides those fomentations, irrigations, inunctions, odorsaments prescribed for the head, there must be the like vsed for the Liuer, Spleene, Stomack, Hypochondries, &c. In crudity (saith Piso) tis good to binde the Stomack hard, to hinder wind, and to helpe concoction.

Of inward medicines I need not speake, the same Cordials as before. In this kind of melancholy, some prescribe Treacle in Winter, especially before or after purges, or in the Spring as Avicenna, ^r Trincavellius Mithridate, ^u Montanus Piony seedes, Vnicornes horne; as de corde cervi &c.

Amongst Topickes or outward medicines, none are more pretious then Batches, but of them I haue spoken. Fomentations to the Hypochondries are very good, of wine and water, in which are sod Sothernwood, Melilot, Epithyme, Mugwort, Sena, Polypody, as also ^x Cerotts, ^y Playsters, Liniments, Oyntments, for the spleene, Liuer, and Hypochondries, of which looke for examples in Laurentius, Iobertus lib. 3. cap. 1. prac. med. Montanus consil. 231. Montanus cap. 33. Hercules de Saxonia, Faventinus. And so of Epithemes, digestiue powders, bagges, oyles. Octavius Horatius lib. 2. cap. 5. prescribes calasticke Cataplasmes, or dry purging medicines: Piso ^z Dropaces of pitch and oyle of Rue, applyed at certaine times to the stomacke, to the metaphrene or part of the backe, which is ouer against the heart. Etius synapismes; Montanus cap. 35. would haue the thighes to be ^a cauterised; Mercurialis prescribes beneath the knees; Lelius Egubinus consil. 77. for an Hypochondriacal Dutchman, will haue a cautery made in the right thigh, and so Montanus consil. 55. The same Montanus consil. 34. approues of issues in the armes, or hinder part the

of the head. *Bernardus Paternus* in *Hildesheim spicel.2.* would haue ^b Issues made in both thighes. Ligatures, Frictions, and Cupping-glasses may bee vsed as before.

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^b Fontanelle
sint in utroq;
criata.

SUBJECT. 2.

Correctors to expell winde, Against costinenesse, &c.

IN this kinde of Melancholy, one of the most offensive symptoms, is winde, which as in the other Species, so in this, hath great need to bee corrected and expelled.

The medicines to expell it, are either inwardly taken, or outwardly. Inwardly taken to expell winde, are simples or compounds. Simples are herbs, roots, &c. as Galanga, Gentian, Angelica, Enula, Calamus Aromaticus, Valerean, Zeodori, Iris, condit Ginger, Aristolochy, Cicliminus, China, Dittander, Pennyriall, Rue, Calamint, bayberries & Bay leaues, Betany, Rosemary, Hysope, Sabine, Centaury, Mint, Camomile, Strachas, *Agnus castus*, Broome flowres, Origan, Orange pills &c. Spices, as Saffron, Cinamome, Bezoar stone. Myrrhe, Mace, Nutmegs, Pepper, Cloues, Ginger, seeds of annise, Fennel, Amni, Cary, Nettle, Rue, &c. Juniper berries, grana Paradisi. Compoſids, *Dianisum*, *Diagalanga*, *Diaciminum*, *Diacalamint*, *Electuarium de baccis lauri*, *Benedicta laxativa*, *Pulvis ad flatus Antid.* *Florent. pulvis Carminativus*, *Aromaticum Rosatum*, *Triacle*, *Mithridate*, &c. This one caution of ^c *Gualter* *Bruel* is to be obserued in the administring of these hot medicines and dry, that whilst they couet to expell winde, they doe not inflame the blood, & increase the disease, sometimes (as he saith) medicines must more decline to heat, sometimes more to cold, as the circumstances require, and as the parties are inclined to heat or cold.

^c Cavendum
hic diligenter
multum calefacientibus, atq;
exsiccantibus,
sive alimenta
suerint hec, sive
medicamenta,

Outwardly taken to expell windes, are oyles, as of Camomile Rue, Bayes, &c. fomentations of the hypocondries, with the decoctions of Dill, Pennyriall, Rue, Bay leaues, Cummin, &c. bags of Camomile Flowres, Anniseed, Cummin, Bayes, Rue, Wormewood, oyntments of the oyle of Spikenard, Wormewood, Rue, &c. ^d *Arcteus* prescribes Cataplasmes of Camomile Flowres, Fennell, Anniseeds, Cummin, Rosemary, Wormewood leaues &c.

^e Cupping-glasses applyed to the Hypocondries, without scarification, doe wonderfully resolue winde. *Fernelius consil.43.* much approves of them at the lower end of the belly, *Iulius Caesar Claudinus respons.med. resp.33.* admires these Cupping-glasses, which he calls out of *Galen*, ^f a kind of enchantment, they cause such present helpe.

Empyricks haue a myriade of medicines, which I voluntarily omit. *Ama-
tus Lusitanus, cent.4. curat.54.* for an hypocondriacall person, that was ex-
treamely tormented with winde, prescribes a strange remedy. Put a paire of
bellowes end in a Clyster pipe, and applying it into the fundament, open the
bellowes, so draw forth the wind. *Natura non admittit vacuum.* He vaunts he
was the first invented this remedy, and by meanes of it, speedily eased a me-
lancholy man. Of the cure of this flatuous melancholy, read more in *Fienus
de Flatibus cap.26.* & passim alias.

nonnulli enim
ut ventositates
et rugitus com-
pescant, huius-
modi utentes
medicamentis,
plurimum pec-
cant; morbum
sic augentes, de-
bent enim medi-
camenta decu-
nare ad calidum
vel frigidum,
secundum exi-
gentiam circum-
stantiarum, vel
ut patiens incli-
nat ad cal. &
frigidum.

^a Cap.5. lib 7.
^c Pifo. Bruel.
mirè status re-
soluit.
^f Velut incan-
tamentum quod-
dam ex flatuoso
spiritu, dolorem
orum levare.

Against Headach, Vertigo, vapors which ascend forth of the stomacke to

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molest the head, read *Hercules de Saxoniâ* and others.

If Costiuenesse offend in this, or in any other of the three species, it is to be corrected with suppositories, clysters, or lenitiues, powder of Sene, condie Prunes &c.

§ Terebinthinâ
cypriam habe-
ant familiarem,
ad quantitatem
deglutiant nucis
paruas, tribus
horis ante pran-
dium vel cenâ,
ter singulis sep-
timanis prout
expedire vide-
bitur Nam præ-
terquam quod
a'uum mollem
efficit, obstructi-
ones aperit, ven-
triculum pur-
gat, urinam pro-
vocat, hepatis
mundificat.

R. Elect. lenit. è succo rosar. ana ʒj. misce.

Take as much as a nutmeg at a time, halfe an houre before dinner or supper, or pil. mastichina ʒj. in six pills, a pill or two at a time. See more in *Montanus consil. 229. Hildesheim spicel. 2.* P. Cnemand, and *Montanus*, commend § Cyprian Turpentine, which they would haue familiarly taken, to the quantity of a small nut, two or three houres before dinner and supper, twice or thrice a weeke, if need be, for besides that, it keepes the belly soluble, it cleares the stomacke opens obstructions, cleanseth the liuer, provokes urine.

These in briebe are the ordinary medicines which belong to the cure of melancholy, which if they be vsed aright, no doubt may doe much good, Si non levando saltem leniendo valent, peculiaria benè selecta, saith *Bessardus*, a good choice of particular Receipts, must needes ease, if not quite cure: not one, but all or most, as occasion serues.

Et quæ non prosunt singula, multa inuant.

Partitionis Secundæ Finis.



ANALYSIS OF THE THIRD PARTITION.

Præface or Introduction. Subsect. 1.
 Loues definition, Pedegree, Obiect, Faire, Amiable, Gracious and Pleasant, from which comes beauty, grace, which all desire and loue, parts affected
 Naturall, in things without life; as loue and hatred of elements, and with life, as vegetall, wine and elme, sympathy, antipathy, &c.
 Sensible, as of Beasts, for pleasure, preservation of kinde, mutuall agreement, custome, bringing vp together, &c.

Division or kinds. Subf. 2.
 or Simple, which hath 3 obiects, as *Me. 1.*
 Rational.
 or Profitable, *Sub. 1.* Health, wealth, honor, we loue our benefactors, nothing so amiable as profit, or that which hath a shew of comodity
 or Pleasant, *Subf. 2.* Things without life, made by art, pictures, sports, games, sensible obiects, as Hawkes, Hounds, Horses. Or men themselves for similitude of manners, naturall affection, as to friends, children, kinsmen, &c. for glory, such as commend vs. Of wo-
 men, as } Before marriage, as *Heroicall melanc. Se. 2. vide V.*
 Or after marriage, as *Jealousie Sect. 3. vide D.*
 or Honest } Fucate in shew by some error or hypocrisie, some seeme and are not, or truly for vertue, honesty, good parts, learning, eloquence, &c. *Subf. 3.*
 Mixt of all three } Common good, our neighbour, country, friends, which is Charity, the defect of which, is cause of much Discontent and Melancholy.
 which } or In Excesse, *vide II.*
 extendsto } God. } In Defect. *vide B.*
Mem. 3. Sec. 4.

Mem. 1.
 His pedegree, power, extent to vegetals and sensible creatures, as well as men, to spirits, diuels, &c.
 His name, definition, obiect, part affected, tyranny.

Causes. Memb. 2.
 Starres, temperate, full diet, place, country, clime, condition, Idlenes, *Sub. 1.*
 Naturall allurements, & causes of loue, as Beauty, its praise, how it allureth. Comlinesse, grace, resulting from the whole, or some parts, as face, eyes, haire, hands, &c. *Subf. 2.*
 Artificiall allurements, and provocations of lust and loue, gestures, apparell, dowry, mony, &c.
Quest. Whether Beauty owe more to Art or Nature. Subf. 3.
 Opportunity of time and place, conference, discourse, Musicke, singing, dancing, amorous tales, lascivious obiects, familiarity, gifts, promises, &c. *Sub. 4.*
 Bawdes and philters. *Sub. 5.*

Symptomes or signes. Memb. 3.
 Of body } Drynesse, palenesse, leannesse, waking, sighing, &c. *Quest. An detur pulsus amatorius?*
 or Bad as } Feare, sorrow, suspition, anxiety, &c.
 or } An hell, torment, fire, blindness, &c.
 of minde } Dotage, slavery, neglect of businesse.
 } Sprucenesse, neatenesse, courage, aptnesse to learne
 } Good as } musicke, singing, dancing, poetry &c.

Prognostickes; Despaire, Madnesse, Phrensie, Death, &c. Memb. 4.
 By labour, diet, physicke, abstinence. *Sub. 1.*
 To withstand the beginnings, avoid occasions, faire & fowle meanes, change of place, contrary passion, witty inventions, discommend the former, bring in another. *Sub. 2.*
Mem. 5.
 By good counsell, perswasion, from future miseries, inconveniences, &c. *Sub. 3.*
 By Philters, magicall, & poetickall cures, *Sub. 4.* To let them haue their desire disputed *pro and con.* Impediments remoued, reasons for it. *Sub. 5.*

Analysis of the third Partition.

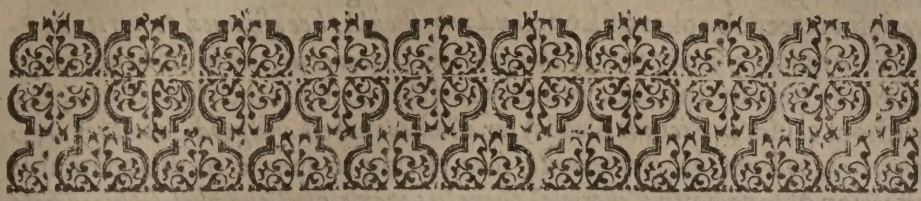
Jealousie, Sect. 3.

His name, definition, extent, power, tyranny. <i>Memb. 1.</i>		
Division	Improper	To many beasts; as swannes, cockes, Bulls.
Equivocations, kinds.	or	To Kings and Princes of their subiects, successors.
		To friends, parents, tutors over their children, or otherwise.
		Before marriage, corivals, &c.
<i>Subs. 1.</i>	Proper	After, as in this place our present subiect.
Causes. <i>Sect. 3.</i>	In the parties themselves	Idlenesse, impotency in one party, melancholy, long absence.
		They haue bin naught themselves. Hard vsage, vnkindnes, wantonnes.
	Or	Inequality of yeares, persons, fortunes, &c.
Symptomes. <i>Memb. 2.</i>	From others	Outward entisements and provocations of others.
		Feare, sorrow, suspition, anguish of minde, strange actions, gestures, lookes, speeches, locking vp, outrages, seuerelawes, prodigious trials, &c.
Prognosticks <i>Memb. 3.</i>		Despaire, madnesse, to make away themselves and others.
Cures <i>Mem. 4.</i>	By avoiding occasions, alwayes busie, neuer to be idle.	
	By good counsell, aduice of friends, To contemne or dissemble it. <i>Subs. 1.</i>	
	By prevention before marriage, Platoes communion, To marry such as are equall in yeares, birth, fortunes, beauty, of like conditions, &c. Of a good family, good education. To vse them well.	

A prooffe that there is such a species of Melancholy, Name, Obiect God, what his beauty is, how it allureth, Part and parties affected, superstitious Idolaters, Prophets, Hereticks, &c. *Sub. 1.*

Causes. <i>Sub. 2.</i>	From others	The diuels allurements, false miracles, Priests for their gain.
		Politicians to keep men in obedience, Bad instructors, Blind Guides.
	From themselves	Simplicity, feare, ignorance, solitarinesse, melancholy, curiosity, pride, vainglory, decayed Image of God.
Symptomes <i>Subs. 3.</i>	General	Zeal without knowledge, obstinacy, superstitiō, strange devotion, stupidity, confidence, stiffe defence of their tenents, mutual loue, & hate of other sects, belief of incredibilities, impossibilities
	Or Particular.	Of Hereticks, pride, contumacy, contempt of others, wilfulness, vainglory, singularity, prodigious paradoxes.
		In superstitious blinde zeale, obedience, strange workes, fasting, sacrifices, oblations, prayers, vowes, pseudomartyrdome, mad and ridiculous customes, ceremonies, observations.
Prognosticks. <i>Sub. 4.</i>	In Pseudoprophets, visions, revelations, dreames, prophecies, new doctrines, &c. of Iewes, Gentiles, Mahometans, &c.	In Pseudoprophets, visions, revelations, dreames, prophecies, new doctrines, &c. of Iewes, Gentiles, Mahometans, &c.
		New doctrines, paradoxes, blasphemies, madnesse, stupidity, despaire, damnation.
	Cures. <i>Sub. 5.</i>	By Physick if need be, conference, good counsel, persuasion, compulsion, correction, punishment, <i>quaritur an cogi debent? Affir.</i>
Secure, void of grace and feares.	Or	Epicures, Atheists, Magitians. Hypocrites, such as haue cauterised consciences, or els are in a reprobate sense, worldly secure, some Philosophers, impenitent sinners. <i>Sub. 1.</i>
		The diuel and his allurements. Rigid Preachers, that wound their consciences, Melancholy, contemplation, solitarines.
	Causes <i>Sub. 2.</i>	How melancholy & despair differ. Distrust, weaknes of faith. Guilty conscience for offence committed, misunderstanding Script.
In defect, as <i>Me. 2.</i>	Symptomes <i>Sub. 3.</i>	Feare, sorrow, anguish of mind, extreame tortures & horror of conscience, fearfull dreames, conceits, visions, &c.
		Prognosticks; Blasphemy, violent death, <i>Sub. 4.</i>
	Cures <i>Sub. 5.</i>	Physick, as occasiō serues, conference, not to be idle, or alone. Good counsel, good company, all comforts and contents, &c.

II Religious melancholy. *Sect. 4.*



THE THIRD PARTITION. LOVE MELANCHOLY.

SECTION. THE FIRST MEMBER. SUBSECTION.

The Preface.

HERE will not bewanting, I presume, some or other that will much discommend some part of this Treatise of Loue Melancholy, and object (which ^a *Erasmus* in his Preface to *S^t Thomas Moore* suspects of his) that it is too light for a Divine, too Comical a subject to speak of Loue Symptomes, and fit alone for a wanton Poet, or some such idle person. Some againe out of an affected gravity will dislike all for the name sake before they read a word, dissembling with him in ^b *Petronius*, and seeme to bee angry that their eares are violated with such obscene speeches, that so they may be admired for graue Philosophers, & staid carriage. But let these Cavillers and counterfeit *Cato's* know, that Loue is a species of Melancholy, and a necessary part of this my Treatise, which I may not omit, *operi suscepto inseruiendum fuit*, so *Iacobus Mycilius* pleadeth for himselfe for his translation of *Lucians* Dialogues, & so doe *J. J.* must and will performe my taske. And that short Apologie of *Mercerus*, for his edition of *Aristanetus* shall bee mine, * *If I haue spent my time ill to write, let not them be so idle as to read.* But I hope it is not ill spent, I need not excuse or repent my selfe of this subiect, on which many graue and worthy men haue written whole volumes, *Plato*, *Plutarch*, *Plotinus*, *Avicenna*, *Leon Hebreus* in three large Dialogues, *Xenophon* *sympos.* *Theophrastus*, if wee may belecue *Athenens lib. 13. cap. 9.* *Picus Mirandula*, *Marius Equicola*, both in Italian, *Kornmannus de linea amoris. lib. 3.* *Petrus Godofridus* hath handled in three bookes, *P. Hadus*, and which almost euery Physitian, as *Arnoldus Villanovanus*, *Valleriola observat. med. lib. 2. obser. 7.* *Alian. Montaltus*, and *Laurentius* in their Treatises of Melancholy, *Iason Pratenfis de morb. cap. Va. lescus de Taranta*, *Gordonius*, *Hercules de Saxonia*, *Sauanarola*, *Langius*, &c. haue treated of a part, and in their workes. I excuse my selfe therefore with

Peter

^a *Entom. Morie
lexiores esse nu-
gas quam ut
theologum de-
ceant.*

^b *Quoties de a-
matoris mentio
facta est tam ve-
bementer ex-
canduit, tam se-
uerâ tristitia vi-
olari aures meas
obsceno sermone
molui, ut me tan-
quam unum ex
Philosophis in-
tuerentur.*

^c *Si malè loca-
ta est opera scri-
bendo, ne ipsi le-
cent in legendis.*

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c Med. epist. 1. r.

ep. 24. Cadmus

Mileſius teſte

Suida. de hoc E-

rotico Amore.

14. libros ſcripſit

nec me pigebit

in gratiam ado-

leſcentum hanc

ſcribere epiſtolā.

a Carpent alii

Platoniam ma-

ieſtatem quod a-

mori nimum

indulſerit. Dyce-

archus & alii

ſed male. Omnis

amor honeſtus

& bonus & a-

more digni qui

bene dicunt de

Amore.

c Med. obſer. 1.

2. cap. 7. de ad-

mirando amoris

affectu dicturus

ingens patet cā-

pus & Philoſo-

phicus, quō ſepē

homines ducun-

tur ad inſaniam

libeat modō va-

gari, &c.

Que non omniē

modo ſed fra-

grantia & ſuc-

culentia incun-

dā plenius alant

&c.

Lib. 1. prefat.

de amoribus a-

gens relaxandi

animi cauſa la-

borioſiſſimis ſtu-

diis fatigati

quando & Tho-

ologi ſe his in-

uari & iurare

illeſis moribus

volunt.

Hist. lib. 12.

cap. 34.

Prefat. quid

quadrageſario

conuenit cum

amore.

Ego vero agnoſ-

co amatorium

ſcriptum mihi

non conuenire.

Aeneas Silvius

prefat. quā iam meridiem prætergreſſus in vesp̄um ſeror.

1 In Som. Scip. d. ſectario ſuo iūm ad cūnas nutricum ſapientes olim eliminant, ſolus aurum delicias proſequentes.

m Babylonius & E-

pheſius qui de Amore ſcripſerunt vterq; amores Myrræ Cyrenes & Adonidis. Suidas. † Pet. Aretine dial. Ital. * Hor. † Legendi

Peter Godefridus, Valleriola, Ficinus, and in c Langius words. Cadmus Mileſius writ foureteene bookes of Loue, and why ſhould I bee aſhamed to write an Epiſtle in fauour of young men, of this ſubiect? Dycearchus, and ſome other carpe at Plato's maiesty that hee would vouchſafe to indite ſuch loue toyes, but without cauſe (as Ficinus pleads) for all loue is honeſt and good, and they are worthy to be loued that ſpeake well of loue. Being to ſpeake of this admirable affection of loue (ſaith Valleriola) there lies open a vaſt and philoſophicall field to my diſcourſe, by which many louers become mad: let me leaue my more ſerious meditations, and wander in theſe Philoſophicall fields, and looke into theſe pleaſant groves of the Muſes, wherewith vnſpeakable variety of flowres, wee may make Garlands to our ſelues, not to adorne vs only, but with their pleaſant ſmell and iuyce to nourish our ſoules, and fill our mindes deſirous of knowledge, &c.

After an harſh & vnpleaſing diſcourſe of Melancholy, which hath hitherto moleſted your patience, and tired the author, giue him leaue with c Godefridus the Lawyer, and Laurentius cap. 5. to recreate himſelfe in this kinde after his laborious ſtudies, ſince ſo many graue Diuines and worthy men haue without offence to manners, to helpe themſelues and others voluntarily written of it. Heliodorus a Biſhop penned a loue ſtory of Theagines and Chariclia, and when ſome Cato's of his time reprehended him for it, chooſe rather, ſaith s Nicephorus, to leaue his Biſhopricke then his book. Aeneas Silvius an ancient Diuine, and paſt 40 yeares of age, as i he confeſſeth of himſelfe, (after Pope Pius Quintus) endited that wanton hiſtory of Eurialus and Lucretia. And how many ſuperintendents of learning, could I reckon vp that haue written of light ſubiects, Beroaldus, Eraſmus, &c. Giue mee leaue then to reſreſh my muſe a little, and my weary Readers, to k ſeaſon a ſurly diſcourſe, with a more pleaſing aſperſion of loue matters: Edulcare vitam conuenit, as the Poet invites vs, curas nugis, &c. 'tis good to ſweeten our life with ſome pleaſing toyes to relliſh it, and as Pliny tell's vs, magna pars ſtudioſorum amantates querimus, moſt of our ſtudents loue ſuch pleaſant ſubiects. Though Macrobius teach vs otherwiſe, that thoſe old Sages baniſhed all ſuch light Treatiſes from their ſtudies, to Nurſes cradles, to pleaſe only the eares; yet out of Apuleius I will oppoſe as honorable Patrons, Solon, Plato, m Xenophon, Adrian. &c. that as highly approue of ſuch Treatiſes. On the other ſide me thinks they are not to be diſliked, they are not ſo vnſit. I will not peremptorily ſay as one ſaid, tam ſuauiā dicam facinora, vt male ſit ei qui talibus non delectatur. I will tell you ſuch pretty ſtories, that ſowle befall him that is not pleaſed with them; but if you like them you may: Pliny holds it expedient, and moſt fit ſeueritate incunditate etiam in ſcriptis condire, to ſeaſon our works with ſome pleaſant diſcourſe, Syneſius approues it, licet in ludicris ludere, the * Poet admires it, Omne tulit punctum qui miſcuit vtile dulci, And there be thoſe without queſtion, that are more willing to read ſuch toyes, then † I am to write, Let me not liue, ſaith Aratines Antonia, If I had not rather heare thy diſcourſe, * then ſee a play. No doubt but there be more of her minde, euer haue beene, euer will be, as o Hierome beares me witneſſe. A ſar greater parte

prefat. quā iam meridiem prætergreſſus in vesp̄um ſeror. k Vt ſeueriora ſtudia his amantibus lector condire poſſit. Accius: 1 In Som. Scip. d. ſectario ſuo iūm ad cūnas nutricum ſapientes olim eliminant, ſolus aurum delicias proſequentes. m Babylonius & E- pheſius qui de Amore ſcripſerunt vterq; amores Myrræ Cyrenes & Adonidis. Suidas. † Pet. Aretine dial. Ital. * Hor. † Legendi cupidores, quam ego ſcribendi, ſaith Lucian. * Plus capio voluptatis inde, quam ſpectandis in theatro ludis. o Proem. in Iſaiam. Multo maior pars Mileſias fabulas reuoluentium quam Platonis libros.

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had rather read Apuleius then Plato: Tully himselfe confesseth he could not vnderstand Plato's *Timæus*, and therefore cared lesse for it, but every school-boy hath that famous testament of *Grunnius Corocotta Porcellus* at his fingers ends. I thinke I haue said enough; If not: let him that is otherwise minded, remember that of † *Mandarenfis*, he was in his life a Philosopher (as *Ausonius* apologizeth for him) in his Epigrams, a Louer; in his precepts most severe; in his Epistles to *Cerellia*, a wanton. *Annius*, *Sulpitius*, *Euemus*, *Mennander*, & many old Poets besides, did in scriptis prurire, write Fescennines, and lasciuious songs; *latam materiam*, yet they had in moribus *cenfuram*, & *severitatem*, they were chaste, severe, and vpright liuers, I make the same Apology in mine owne behalfe. And which he vrgeth for himselfe, accused of the same fault, *Lasciua est nobis pagina, vita proba est*. Howsoever my lines erre, my life is honest. But I hope I need no such Apologies, I need not as *Socrates* in *Plato* did, cover his face when hee spake of loue, or blush and hide her eyes in her hood, as * *Pallas* did when shee was consulted by *Iupiter* about *Mercuries* marriage, *quod super nuptijs virgo consulitur*, it is no such lasciuious, obscene or wanton discourse, but chaste and honest, & most part serious and euen of religion it selfe. ° *Inceded* (as he said) *with the loue of finding loue, wee haue sought it, and found it*. And thus much I haue thought good to say by way of preface, least any man (which P *Godofridus* suspected) should object vnto me lightnesse, wantonnesse, rashnesse, in speaking of loues causes, entisements, symptomes, remedies, lawfull and vnlawfull loues, and lust it selfe, † *I speake it only to taxe and deterre others from it, not to teach, but to apply remedies vnto it*. I will treat of this with like liberty as of the rest,

† *Sed dicam vobis vos porro dicite multis*

Millibus, & facite hac charta loquatur anus.

Condemne me not good Reader then, or censure me hardly, if some part of this Treatise to thy thinking be too light, but consider better of it, *Omnia munda mundis*, A naked man to a modest woman is no otherwise then a picture, as *Augusta Livia* truly said, and * *mala mens malus animus*, 'tis as 'tis taken. If to thy thinking it be too light, I advise thee as *Lipsius* did his Reader for some places of *Plautus*, *Istos quasi Sirenum scopulos prater vehare*, If they like thee not let them passe, or oppose that which is good to that which is bad, and reiect not therefore all. For to invert that verse of *Martial*, & with *Hieronymus* to apply it to my present purpose,

Sunt mala, sunt quedam mediocria, sunt bona plura, some is good, some bad, some's indifferent. I say farther with him yet, I haue inserted (* *leuicula quedam & ridicula ascribere non sum gravatus*, &c.) some things more homely or light, which I would request every man to interpret to the best, & as *Iulius Caesar Scaliger* besought *Cardan*, (*Si quid urbanusculè lusum à nobis, per deos immortales te oro Hieronymus Cardane ne me malè capias*.) I beseech thee good Reader, not to mistake me, or misconster what is here written. Per *Musas* & *Charites*, & omnia Poetarum numina, benigne lector, oro te, ne me malè capias. 'Tis a Comickall subiect, I craue pardon of what is amisse, and desire thee to suspend thy iudgement, or to be silent at least; but if thou likest, speake well of it, and wish me good successe.

Extremum hunc Aretusa mihi concede laborem.

† In vita philosophus in Epigrammatorum Epistolis perulans, in preceptis severus.

° Mart.

° Ficinus comment cap. 17.

Amore incensum inuicendi amoris amorem

questum & inuenimus.

† Hec predixit ne quis temere nos putaret scripsisse de amoris lenocinijs de praxi, fornicationibus, adulteris &c.

° Taxando et ab his deterrendo humanam lasciuiam & insaniam, sed & remedia docendo, non igitur candidus lector nobis succenseat, &c. Commonitio erit iuuenibus hac, hisce ut abstineant magis, & omnia lasciuia que homines reddit insanos, virtutis incumbant studiis (Aeneas Sylv.) & curam amoris si quis nescit hinc poterit scire.

* *Martianus*

Capella lib. 1. de nupt. philol.

virginali suffusa rubore oculos populo obnubens, &c.

† *Catullus*.

° *Viros nudos castæ femine nihil à statu distare.*

* *Hony* Soit qu'il mal y pense.

* *Prefat. Suid.*

I am resolved howsoever, *velis, nolis*, in this Trage-comedy of Loue, to A& severall parts, some Satyrically, some Comically, some in a mixt Tone, as the subiect I haue in hand giues occasion, and present Sceane shall require or offer it selfe.

SUBJECT. 2.

Loues beginning, Obiect, Definition, Division.

¹ Exercit. 301.

*Campus amoris
maximus & spi-
ritus obitus, nec
levissimo pede
transvolandum.*

² Grad. 1. c. 29.

*Ex Platone. pri-
me & commu-
nissime pertur-
bationes, ex qui-
bus cetera ori-
untur. & earum
suuipedisseque.*

³ Amor est vo-
luntarius affe-
ctus & deside-
rium re bonâ
fruentis.

⁴ Desiderium
optantis, amor e-
orum quibus
fruiuntur, amoris
principium, dese-
derii finis, ama-
tum adept, opta-
tum deest.

⁵ Principio lib.

de amore. Opere

pretium est de

*amore conside-
rare, utrum De-*

us an Demon,

an passio quedâ

anime, an par-

tim Deus, partim

Demon, passio

partim, &c. A-

mor est actus a-

nimi bonum de-

siderans.

⁶ Magnus De-

mon: convivio.

⁷ Boni pulchri-
fruentis deside-
rium.

⁸ Godefridus.

lib. 1. cap. 2. A-

mor est delecta-

Loues limits are ample and great, and a spacious walke it hath, beset with thornes, and for that cause, which Scaliger reprehends in Cardan, *not lightly to be passed over*. Least I incur the same censure, I will examin all the kindes of loue, his nature, beginning, differences, obiects, how it is honest, or dishonest, a vertue or vice, a naturall passion or a disease, his power and effects, how farre it extends: of which, although something hath beene said in the first Partition, in those Sections of Perturbations (¹ for loue & hatred are the first and most common passions, from which all the rest arise, and are attendant, as Pico lominicus holds) I will now more copiously dilate through all his parts and severall branches, that so it may better appeare what Loue is, and how it varies with the obiects, how in defect, or (which is most ordinary and common) immoderate, and in excesse, it causeth Melancholy.

Loue vniuersally taken, is defined to be a *Desire*, as a word of more ample signification: and though Leon: Hebreus the most copious writer of this subiect, in his third Dialogue makes no difference, yet in his first Dialogue, he distinguisheth them againe, & defines loue by desire. ² *Loue is a voluntary affection, and desire to enjoy that which is good.* ³ *Desire wisheth, Loue enioyes, the end of the one is the beginning of the other: that which we loue is present, that which we desire is absent.* ⁴ *It is worth the labour, saith Plotinus, to consider well of Loue, whether it be a God or a Diuell, or passion of the minde, or partly God, partly diuel, partly passion.* He concludes loue to participate of all three, to arise from Desire of that which is beautifull and faire, and defines it to be an *action of the minde, desiring that which is good.* ⁵ *Plato calls it the great Diuell, for his vehemency and soueraignty ouer all other passions, & defines it an appetite, by which we desire some good to be present.* Ficinus in his Comment adds the word Faire to this Definition, Loue is a desire of enioying that which is good and faire. Austin dilates this common definition, and wil haue loue to be a Delectation of the heart, ⁶ *for something which wee seek to winne, or ioy to haue, coueting by desire, resting in ioy.* ⁷ Scaliger exerc. 301. taxeth all these former Definitions, and will not haue loue to be defined by Desire or Appetite, for when we enioy the thing we desire, there remains no more Appetite: as he defines it, *Loue is an affection by which we are either united to the thing wee loue, or perpetuate our union, which agrees in part with Leon Hebreus.*

Now this loue varies as his obiect varies, which is alwaies Good, Amiable, Faire, Gracions and Pleasant. ⁸ *All things desire that which is good, as wee are*

⁹ *Non est amor desiderium aut appetitus ut ab omnibus haftenus traditum. Nam cum potimur, amata re non manes appetitum. Est igitur affectus quo cum re amata aut unimur, aut unionem perpetuamus.* ¹⁰ *Omnia appetunt bonum.*

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taught in the Ethicks, or at least that which to them seemes to be good, from this goodnesse, comes beauty; from beauty, grace, and comelinesse, which result as so many rayes from their good parts, which makes vs to loue it, & so to couet it: for were it not pleasing and gracious in our eyes, wee should not seeke it. ^d *No man loues* (saith Aristotle 9. mor. cap. 5.) *but he that was first delighted with comelinesse and beauty.* As this faire object varies, so doth our loue, for as Proclus holds, *Omne pulchrum amabile*, every faire thing is amiable, and what we loue is faire and gracious in our eyes, or at least we doe so apprehend, and esteeme of it still. ^e *Amiablensse is the object of loue, the scope and end is to obtaine it, for whose sake we loue, and which our minde couets to enioy.* And it seemes to vs especially faire & good, for good, faire, & vnitie, cannot be separated. Beauty shines, Plato saith, and by reason of it's splendor and shining causeth admiration, and the fayrer the object is, the more eagerly it is sought. For as the same Plato defines it, ^f *Beauty is a liuely shining or glittering brightnesse, resulting from effused good.* By Ideas, seeds, reasons, shadowes, stirring vp our mindes, that by this good they may be vnitied and made one. Others will haue beauty to be the perfection of the whole composition, & caused out of the congruous symmetry, measure, order and manner of parts, & that comelinesse which proceeds from this beauty is called grace, and from thence all fayre things are gracious. For Grace and Beauty are so wonderfully annexed, ^h so sweetly & gently winne our soules, & strongly allure, that they confound our iudgement and cannot be distinguished. Beauty and Grace are like those beames and shinnings that come from the glorious and diuine Sunne, which are diuerse, as they come from the diuerse objects and please and affect our seuerall senses. ⁱ *As the species of beauty are taken at our eyes, eares, or conceaued in our inner soule, as Plato disputes at large in his Dialogue de Pulchro, Phebro, Hyppias, and after many sophisticall errors confuted, concludes that Beauty is a grace in all things, delighting the eyes, eares, and soule it selfe; and as Ralesius inferres hence, whatsoeuer pleaseth our eares, eyes, & soule, must needs be beautifull and faire, and delightfome to vs.* ^k *And nothing can more please our eares then Musicke, or pacifie our minds: Faire houses, pictures, orchards, Gardens, Feilds, a fayre Hawk, a fayre horse is most acceptable vnto vs; what soeuer pleaseth our eyes and eares, we call beautifull and fayre; Pleasure belongeth to the rest of the senses, but Grace and Beauty to these two alone.* As the objects varie and are diuerse, so they diuersly affect our eyes, eares, and soule it selfe. Which giues occasion to some, to make so many seuerall kinds of loue as there be objects: One Beauty ariseth from God, another from his creatures, there is a beauty of the body, a beauty of the soule, a beauty from vertue, *forma martyrum*, as Austin calls it, *quam videmus oculis animi*, which we see with the eyes of our soule, which beauty, as Tully saith, if wee could discern with these corporall eyes, *admirabiles sui amores excitaret*, would cause admirable affections, and rauish our soules. This other Beauty which ariseth from those extreame parts, and those graces which proceed from gestures, speeches, seuerall motions, and proportions of creatures, men and women (especially from women, which made those old Poets put the three Graces still in Venus company, as attending on her, & holding vp her traine)

^d *Nemo amore capitur nisi qui fuerit ante formam speciei delectatus.*

^e *Amabile obiectum amoris est scopus, cuius adeptio est finis cuius gratia amamus. Animus enim aspirat ut eo fruatur, et formam boni habet et precipue viatur et placeat. Piccolomineus, grad. 7. cap. 2. et grad. 8. cap. 35.*

^f *Forma est vitalis fulgor ex ipso bono manans per ideas semina, rationes umbras effusus, animos excitans ut per bonum in unum redigantur.*

^g *Pulchritudo est perfectio compositi ex congruente ordine, mensura et ratione partium confurgens, et venustas inde prodians gratia dicitur et res omnes pulchre gratiosae.*

^h *Gratia et pulchritudo ita suauiter animos demulcent, ita vehementer alliciunt, et adeo mirabiliter connectuntur, ut in unum confundant et distinguere non possint, et sunt tanquam radii et splendor divini solis in vebus variis vario modo fulgentes.*

ⁱ *Species pulchritudinis hauriuntur oculis, auribus, aut concipiuntur interna mente.*

^k *Nihil hinc magis animos conciliat quam Musica, pulchre picturae edes, &c.*

^l *In reliquis sensibus voluptas in his pulchritudo et gratia.*

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Convivio Plato-
nis.

in Due veneres
duo amores, qua-
rum una anti-
quior & sine
matre celo na-
ta quam celestē
venerem nuncu-
pamus, altera
verō Junior a
Iove & Dione
prognata, quam
vulgarem vene-
rem vocamus.

*Altera ad su-
perna erigit, al-
tera deprimit ad
inferna.*

*Alter excitat
hominem ad di-
vinam pulchri-
tudinem lastran-
dam, cuius cau-
sa philosophiae
studia & iusti-
tie, &c.*

*Omnia creatu-
ra cum bona sit,
& bene amari
potest & male.*

*Quas ciuita-
tes duo faciunt
amores, Ierusa-
lem facit amor
Dei, Babil mem-
amor seculi, v-
nusquisq; se quid
amet interroget
& inueniet unde
sit ciuis.*

*Alter mari or-
is, ferox, varius,
fluctuans, inanis
luvenum mare
referens, &c.*

*Alter aurea ca-
tena calo demit-
sa bonum floro-
rem mentibus
emittens, &c.*

are infinite almost, and vary their names with their objects, as loue of mony, covetousnesse, loue of Beauty, Lust, immoderate desire of any pleasure, concupiscence, friendship, loue, good will, &c. & is either vertue or vice, honest, dishonest, in excessse, defect, as shall be shewed in his place: Heroicall Loue, Religious Loue, &c. which may bee reduced to a twofold Division, according to the principall parts which are affected, the Braine and Liuer. *Amor & amicitia* which *Scaliger exercitat. 301.* *Valesius* and *Melancthon* warrant out of *Plato*, *gilei* & *eccl*, out of that speech of *Pausanias* belike, that makes two *Veneres* and two loues. *One Venus* is ancient without a mother, and descended from heauen, whom we call celestiall; The younger, begotten of *Iupiter* and *Dione*, whom commonly we call *Venus*. *Ficinus* in his Comment vpon this place cap. 8. following *Plato*, calls these two loues, two Divells, *n* or good, or bad Angells according to vs, which are still houering about our soules, *The one reares vs to heauen, the other depresseth vs to hell, the one good which stirres vs up to the contemplation of that diuine beauty, for whose sake we per-
forme Iustice, and all godly offices, study Phylosophy, &c. the other base, in respect, and bad, and yet to be respected; for indeed both are good in their owne natures: procreation of children is as necessary as that finding out of truth, but therefore called bad, because it is abused, and which drawes our soules from the speculation of that other, to viler objects; So farre Ficinus. St Austin lib. 15. de civ. Dei & sup. Psal. 64. hath deliuered as much in effect. P Every creature is good, & may be loued well or ill. And 9 Two citties make two loues, Ierusalem and Babylon, the loue of God the one, the loue of the world the other, of these two Citties we are all Citizens, as by examination of our selues wee may soone finde, and of which: The one loue is the root of all mischiefe, the other of all good. And in his 15. cap. lib. de mor. Ecclesia, hee will haue those foure cardinall vertues to be naught else but loue rightly composed, in his 15 booke de civ. Dei cap. 22. he calls Vertue the order of Loue, whom *Thomas* following 1. part. 2. quest. 55. art. 1. and quest. 56. 3. quest. 62. art. 2. confirms as much, and amplifies in many words. Lucian to the same purpose hath a diuision of his owne, One loue was borne in the Sea, which is as various and raging in young mens breasts as the Sea it selfe, and causeth burning lust: the other is that golden chaine which was let downe from heauen, and with a diuine Fury rauisheth our Soules, made to the image of God, and stirres vs up to comprehend that innate and incorruptible beauty, to which we were once created. Beroaldus hath expressed all this in an Epigram of his;*

*Dogmata diuini memorant si vera Platonis,
Sunt gemina veneres, & geminatus amor,
Caelestis Venus est nullo generata parente,
Qua casto sanctos necit amore viros.
Altera sed Venus est totum vulgata per orbem,
Qua diuam mentes alligat, atq; hominum,
Improba, seductrix, petulans, &c.
If diuine Plato's Tenents they be true,
Two Veneres, two loues there be,
The one from heauen, vnbegotten still,
Which knits our soules in vnitic,
The other famous ouer all the world,*

Binding

Binding the hearts of God and men;

Dishonest, wanton, and seducing she,

Rules whom she will, both where & when.

This two-fold diuision of *Loue*, *Origen* likewise followes in his Comment on the *Canticles*, one from God, the other from the diuelll, as he holds, (vnderstanding it in the worser sense) which many others repeate and imitate. Both which (to omit all subdivisions) in excesse or defect, as they are abused, or degenerate, cause melancholy in a particular kind, as shal be shewed in his place. *Austin* in another place, makes a threefold Diuision of this Loue, which we may vse well or ill. ¹ God, our neighbour, and the world: God a-boue vs, our neighbour next vs, the world beneath vs. In the course of our desires, God hath three things, the world one, our neighbour two. Our desire to God, is either from God, with God or to God, and ordinarily so runnes. From God, when it receiues from him, whence, and for which it should loue him: with God, when it contradicts his will in nothing: to God, when it seekes to repose and rest it selfe in him. Our Loue to our neighbour, may proceede from him, and runne with him, not to him: From him, as when we reioyce of his good safety, & well-doing: with him, when we desire to haue him a fellow and companion of our iourney in the way of the Lord: not in him, because there is no aide, or hope, or confidence in man. From the world our loue comes, when we come to admire the Creator in his workes: and Glorifie God in his Creatures. With the world it should runne, if according to the immutabilitie of all temporalities, it should be dejected in aduersity, or ouer eleuated in prosperity: To the world, if it would settle it selfe in his vaine delights and studies. Many such partitions of Loue I could repeate, and subdivisions, but lest (which *Scaliger* objects to *Cardan*, *Exercitat. 501*) ² I confound filth by burning lust, with pure and diuine Loue, I will follow that accurate Diuision of *Leon Hebraeus dial. 2.* betwixt *Sophia* and *Philo*, where hee speakes of *Naturall*, *Sensible*, and *Rationall* Loue, and handleth each a-part. *Naturall* loue or hatred, is that Sympathy or Antipathy, which is to be seen in animate, and inanimate creatures, in the foure Elements, Mettals, Stones, Plants, Herbes, and is especially obserued in vegetals; as betwixt the Vine & Elme a great Sympathy, betwixt the Vine and Cabbage, betwixt the Vine and Oliue, ³ *Virgo fugit Bromium*, betwixt the Vine and Bayes, a great Antipathy, the Vine loues not the Bay, ⁴ nor his smell, and will kill him, if hee grow neere him; the Burre and the Linde cannot endure one another; the Oliue & the Myrtle embrace each other, in roots and branches if they grow neere. Read more of this in *Piccolomineus grad. 7. cap. 1. Crescentius l. 5. de agric. Baptista Porta de mag. lib. 1. cap. de plant. odio & Element. sym. Fracastorius de sym. & Antip.* of the loue and hatred of Planets, consult with euery Astrologer: *Leon Hebraeus* giues many fabulous reasons, and moralizeth them withall.

Sensible loue, is that of brute beasts, of which, the same *Leon Hebraeus dial. 2.* assigns these causes. First, for the pleasure they take in the Act of Generation, male and female loue one another. Secondly, for the preseruation of the species, and desire of yong brood. Thirdly, for the mutuall agreement, as being of the same kind. Fourthly, for custome, vse, and familiarity, as if a dog be brought vp with a Lyon and a Beare, contrary to their natures, they will loue each other. Hawkes, dogges, horses, loue their masters and keepers: many stories I could relate in this kind, but see *Gillius de hist. anim. lib. 3. cap. 14.*

¹ Tria sunt, quae amari à nobis bene vel male possunt. Deus, proximus, mundus. Deus supra nos, iuxta nos proximus, infra nos mundus. Tria Deus, duo proximus, unum mundus habet, &c.

² Ne confundamus uesanos & sceleratos amores beatos, sceleratum cum puro, diuino, & uero &c.

³ Alciat.
⁴ Porta. Vitis laurum non amat, nec eius odorem, si prope crescat, enecat. Lappa lenti aduersatur.
⁵ Sympathia olei & myrti ramorum & radicum (e complementum). Mizaldus secret. cent. 1. 47.

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those two Epistles of *Lipsius*, of dogges and horses, *Agellius*, &c. Fifthly, for bringing vp, as if a bitch bring vp a kid, a hen ducklings, an hedge-sparrow a cuckow, &c.

The third kinde is *Amor cognitionis*, as *Leon* calls it, Rationall loue, *Intellectivus amor*, and is proper to men, on which I must insist. This appeares in God, Angels, Men. God is loue it selfe, the fountaine of loue, the disciple of loue, as *Plato* styles him, the seruant of peace, the God of loue and peace; haue peace with all men, and God is with you.

^a Mantuan.

^a Charitas mun-
difica, quā mer-
cantur de Deo
regnum Dei.

^b Polanus par-
sit. Zanchius de
naturā Dei. c. 3
copiose de hoc a-
more Dei agit.

[†] Camerarius

Emb. 100. cent.

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—z *Quisquis veneratur Olympum,
Ipse sibi mundum subiecit atq. Deum:*

^a By this Loue (saith *Gerson*) we purchase Heauen, and buy the Kingdome of God. This ^b Loue is either in the Trinity it selfe, for the Holy Ghost is the Loue of the Father and the Sonne, &c. *Iohn* 3. 55. and 5. 20. and 14. 31. or to-
wards vs his creatures, as in making the world. *Amor mundum fecit*, Loue
built Cities, invented Arts, Sciences, and all good things: Loue is the be-
ginner and end of all our actions, the efficient and instrumentall cause, as
our Poets in their Symboles, Impreses, † Emblemes, of rings, squares, &c.
shadow vnto vs,

Si rerum queris fuerit quis finis & ortus,

Define, nam causa est unica solus amor.

If first and last of any thing you wit,

Cease, loue's the sole and onely cause of it.

^c Dial. 3.

Loue, saith ^c *Leon*, made the world, and afterwards in redeeming of it, God so
loued the world, that he gaue his only begotten Sonne for it, *Iohn* 3. 16. Behold
what loue the Father hath shewed on vs, that wee should be called the sonnes of
God. 1. *Iohn* 3. 1. Or in his prouidence, in protecting of it; either all in gene-
rall, or his Saints elect and Church in particular: whom he keepes as the ap-
ple of his eye, whom he loues freely, as *Hosea* 14. 5. speaks. ^d *Charior est ipsis
homo, quam sibi*. Not that we are faire, nor for any merit or grace of ours, for
we are most vile and base; but out of his incomparable loue and goodnesse,
out of his diuine Nature. And this is that *Homers* golden chaine, which rea-
cheth downe from Heauen to earth by which euery creature is annexed, &
depends on his Creator. He made all, saith ^e *Moses*, and it was good, and hee
loues it as good.

^a Iuuen.

^e Gen. 1.

The loue of Angels and liuing soules, is mutuall amongst themselues, &
towards vs militant in the Church, and all such as loue God; there is ioy in
Heauen for euery sinner that repenteth, they pray for vs, are sollicitous for
our good, ^f *Casti genij*.

^g Theoderet &
Plotino.

Vbi regnat charitas, suauē desiderium,

Letitiaq. & amor Deo coniunctus.

Loue proper to mortall men, is the third member of this subdivision, and the
subiect of my following Discourse.

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*Loue of men, which varies as his objects, profitable,
pleasant, honest.*

V *Aleſius lib. 3. controu. 13.* defines this Loue which is in men, To be an affection of both powers, Appetite and Reason. The Rational resides in the Braine, the other in the Liuer (as before hath bin said out of Plato and others) the Heart is diuersly affected of both, and carried a thousand wayes by consent. The Sensitive faculty most part ouer-rules Reason, the Soule is carried hoodwinked, and the vnderstanding captiue like a beast. ^h The Heart is variously inclined, sometimes they are merry, sometimes sad, and from Loue arise Hope, and Feare, Jealousie, Fury, Desperation. Now this loue of men is diuers, and varies as the object varies, by which they are entised, as vertue, wisdom, eloquence, profit, wealth, money, fame, honour, or comelinesse of person, &c. Leon Hebraeus in his first Dialogue, reduceth them all to these three, *Utile, lucundum, Honestum*, Profitable, Pleasant, Honest; of which hee discourseth at large, and whatsoever is beautifull & faire, is referred to them, or any way to be desired. ⁱ To profitable, is ascribed health, wealth, Honour, &c. which is rather Ambition, Desire, Couetousnesse, then Loue. Friends, children, loue of women, and all delightfull and pleasant things, are referred to the second. The loue of honest things, consists in vertue and wisdom, and is preferred before that which is profitable and pleasant: Intellectuall, about that which is honest. ^l Saint Austin calls profitable, worldly; Pleasant, carnall; Honest, spirituall. ^m Of and from all three, results Charity, Friendship, and true Loue, which respects God and our neighbour. Of each of these I will briefly dilate, and shew in what sort they cause melancholy.

Amongst all these faire entising objects, which procure Loue, and bewitch the Soule of man, there is none so mouing, so forcible as Profite, and that which carrieth with it a shew of commodity. Health indeed is a precious thing, and to recouer and preserue which, we will vndergoe any misery, drinke bitter Portions, freely giue our goods: restore a man to his health, his purse lyes open to thee, bountifull he is, thankfull and beholding to thee: but giue him wealth and honour, giue him gold, or what shall be for his aduantage and preferment, and thou shalt command his affections, oblige him eternally to thee, heart and hand, life and all is at thy seruice, thou art his deare and louing friend, good and gracious Lord and master, his *Mecenas*, he is thy slaue, thy vassall, most deuote, affectioned, and bounden in all duety: tell him good tydings in this kind, there spoke an Angell, a blessed houre that brings in gaine, he is thy creature, and thou his creator; he hugges thee, and admires thee: he is thine for euer. No Loadstone so attractiue as that of Profite, none so fair an object as that of gold, ⁿ nothing winnes a man sooner then a good turne; bounty and liberality command Body and Soule,

Munera (crede mihi) placant hominesq; deosq;

Placatur donis Iupiter ipse datis.

Good turnes doe pacifie both God and men,

And Iupiter himselfe is won by them.

Gold

Affectus nunc appetitive potentia, nunc rationalis, alter cerebro residet, alter epate, cor & c

h Cor varie inclinatur, nunc gaudens, nunc merens, statim ex timore nascitur Zelotypia, furor, spes, desperation.

i Ad utile sanitas refertur. utile est ambitio, cupido, desiderium potius quam amor, excessus auaritia.

k Picolum grad.

7. cap. 1.

l Lib. de Amicit. utile mundanis, carnalis lucundum spirituale, honestum.

m Ex singulis tribus fit charitas & amicitia, que respicit deum & proximum.

n Benefactores precipue amamus. Vires 3. de anima.

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Gold of all other, is a most delicious obiect, a sweet light, a goodly luster it hath. *gratius aurum quam solem intuemur*, saith *Austin*, and wee had rather see it then the Sunne. Sweet and pleasant in getting, in keeping, it seasons all our labours, intollerable paines we take for it, base impliments, bitter flouts and taunts, long iourneyes, heauy burdens, all are made light & easie by this hope of gaine, *At mihi plando Ipse domi simul ac nummos contemplet in arca*. The sight of gold refresheth our spirits, and rauisheth our hearts, as that *Babylonian* garment, and o golden wedge did *Achan* in the campe, the very sight and hearing of it, set on fire his soule with desire of it. It will make a man run to the *Antipodes*, or tarry at home and turne parasite, lie, flatter, prostitute himselfe, sweare and beare false witnesse; he wil venture his body, kill a king, murder his father, and damne his Soule to come at it. *Formosior auri massa*, as *P* hee well obserued, the masse of gold is fairer then all your *Gracian* pictures, that *Apelles*, *Phydias*, or any doting Painter could euer make: we are inamored with it, *¶ Prima ferè vota, & cunctis notissima templis, Diuitie ut crescant.*

o Ios. 7.

¶ *Petronius*
Arbiter.¶ *Inuenalls.*

All our labours, studies, endeavours, vowes, prayers and wishes, are to get, how to compasse it. If we get it, as we thinke, we are made for euer, thrice happy, Princes, Lords &c. if we lose it, we are dull, heauy, dejected, discontent, miserable, desperate and mad. Our estate and *benè esse*, ebbes and flowes with our commodity, and as we are endowed or enriched, so are we beloued & esteemed: it lasts no longer then our wealth, when that is gone, and the obiect remoued, farewell friendship: as long as bounty, good cheere, and rewatds were to be hoped, friends enough; they were tied to thee by the teeth, and would follow thee as *Crowes* doe a carcassee: but when thy goods are gone and spent, the lampe of their loue is out, and thou shalt be contemned, scorned, hated, iniured. *¶ Lucians Timon*, when he was in prosperity, was the sole spectacle of *Greece*, onely admired, who but *Timon*, euery body loued, honoured, applauded him, euery man offered him his seruice, & sought to be kinne to him; but when his gold was spent, his faire possessions gone, farewell *Timon*, none so vgly, none so deformed, so odious an abiect as *Timon*, no man so ridiculous on a sudden, they gaue him a penny to buy a rope, no man would know him.

¶ *Lucians Timon.*

Tis the generall humor of the world, commodity steeres our affections throughout, we loue those that are fortunate & rich, that thrive, or by whom wee may receiue mutuall kindnesse, hope for like curtesies, or get any good, gaine, or profit, and hate those, & abhorre on the other side, which are poore and miserable, or by whom we may sustaine losse or inconvenience. And euen those that were now familiar and deare vnto vs, our louing and long friends, neighbours, kinsmen, allies, with whom wee haue conversed and liued as so many *Geryons* for many yeares past, struiuing still to giue one another all good content and entertainment, with mutuall invitations, feasting, disports, offices, for whom we would ride, run, spend our selues, & of whom we haue so freely and honorably spoken, to whom wee haue giuen all those turgent titles, and magnificent elogiums, most excellent & most noble, worthy, wise, graue, learned, valiant, &c. and magnified beyond measure. If any controversie arise betwixt vs, some trespassse, iniury, abuse, some part of our goods be detained, a piece of Land come to be litigious, or any way crosse

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vs in our suit, or touch the string of our commodity, we detest and depresse them vpon a sudden, neither affinity, consanguinity, or old acquaintance can containe vs, but *rupto iecore exierit Caprificus*, a golden apple sets all together by the eares, as if a marrow bone, or hony combe were flung amongst Beares. Father and sonne, brother and sister, kinsmen are at oddes, and looke what malice, deadly hatred can invent, that shall be done, *Terribile, durum, pestilens, atrox, ferum*, mutuall iniuries, desire of reuenge, and how to hurt them, him and his, are all our studies. If our pleasures be interrupt, wee can tolerate it, our bodies hurt, we can put it vp, and be reconciled, but touch our commodities, we are most impatient, faire becomes foule, the Graces are turned to Harpyes, friendly salutations, to bitter imprecations, mutuall feastings, to plotting villanies, minings and counterminings, good words to Satyrs and inuectiues, wee reuile *contra*, nought but his imperfections are in our eyes, he is a base knaue, a diuell, a monster, a caterpillar, a viper, an hog-rubber &c. *Desinit in piscem mulier formosa superne*, the sceane is altered on a sudden, loue is turned to hate, mirth to melancholy: so furiously are we most part bent, and our affections fixed vpon this object of our commodity, vpon money. The desire of which in excesse is couetousnesse, ambition tyrannizeth ouer our Soules, as I haue shewed, and in defect crucifies as much, as if a man by negligence, ill husbandry, improvidence, and prodigality, waste and consume his goods and fortunes, beggery followes, and melancholy, he becomes an abiect, odious, "and worse then an Infidell, in not providing for his family.

SVB SEC. 2.

Pleasant objects of Loue.

Pleasant objects are infinite, whether they bee such as haue life, or bee without life. Inanimate are Countries, Prouinces, Towres, Townes, Cities, as he said, ** Pulcherrimam insulam videmus, etiam cum non videmus*, we see a faire Island by description, when we see it not. The y Sunne neuer saw a fairer City, *Theffala Tempe*, Orchards, Gardens, pleasant walkes, Groves, Fountaines, &c. The heauen it selfe is said to be ** faire* or foule, faire buildings, faire pictures, all artificiall, elaborate and curious workes, clothes, giue an admirable lustre, we admire them, and gaze vpon them, *ut pueri lunonis avem*, as children doe on a Peacocke. A faire dogge, a faire horse and hawke &c. are most gracious in our sight, acceptable vnto vs, and whatsoeuer els may cause this passion, if it be superfluous or immoderately loued, as *Guianerius* obserues. These things in themselves are pleasing and good, singular ornaments, necessary, comely, and fit to be had; but when wee fixe an immoderate eye, and dote on them ouer-much, this pleasure may turne to paine, may cause much sorrow & discontent vnto vs, worke our finall overthrow, and cause melancholy in the end. Many are carried away with those bewitching sports of gaming, hawking, hunting, and such vaine pleasures, as I haue said, some with immoderate desire of fame, to be crowned in the *Olympicks*, knighted in the field, &c. and by these meanes ruinate themselves. The lasciuious dotes on his faire mistresse, the Glutton on his dishes, which

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Part. 1. Sect. 2.
memb. Sub. 12.

1. Tim. 5. 8.

Lipsius epist.
Camdeno.Leland of St.
Edmundsbury.Caelum serene-
num, caelum uis-
sedum. Polido-
rus lib. 1. de An-
glia.Credo equidem
vivos ducent e
marmore vul-
tus.Part. 1. Sect. 3.
memb. 3.

^a Mart.

[†] Omnis. mag.
lib. 2. cap. 3.

^c De sale geni.
ali lib. 3. cap. 15

^f Similitudo
morum parit a-
micitiā.

^g Vives 3. de
Animi.

^h Qui simul
fecere naufragi-
um, aut unā per-
tulere vincula,
vel consilij, con-
iurationisve

societate iun-
guntur, invicem
amant. Brutum
& Cassium invicem
inensos
Cæsaribus do-
minatus conciliavit.
Amilius Lepidus, & Iu-
lius Flaccus,
quum essent
inimicissimi,
censores remun-
ciati similes
illico deposuere.

Sculptus cap. 4.
de causā Amor.

ⁱ Isocrates De
monico precipit.
ut quum alicuius
amicitiā
vellet, illum lau-
det, quod laus
initium amoris
sit, vituperatio
simulacrum.

^k Suspect. lect.
lib. 1. cap. 2.

^l Rara est con-
cordia fratrum.

are infinitely varied, to please the palate, The Epicure on his severall pleasures. The superstitious on his Idoll, and fatter himselfe with future ioyes, as Turkes feed themselves with an imaginary perswasion of a sensuall paradise, so severall pleasant objects, diuersly affect diuers men. But the fairest objects and enticings, proceede from men themselves, which most frequently captivate and allure men, and make them dote beyond all measure vpon one another, and that for many respects. First, as some suppose, by some secret force of starres, (*quod me tibi temperat astrum?*) They doe singularly dote on such a man, hate such againe, and can giue no reason for it. ^a *Non amo te Sabidi, &c.* Alexander admired Ephestion, Adrian Antinous, Nero Sporus, &c. The Physitians referre this to their temperament, Astrologers to trine and sextile Aspects, or opposite of their severall Ascendents, Lords of their genitures, loue and hatred of Planets; [†] *Cicogna*, to concord and discord of spirits; but most to outward graces. A merry companion is welcome and acceptable to most men, and therefore saith ^e *Gomesius*, Princes and great men entertaine iesters, and Players commonly in their Courts. But *paribus facillime congregantur*, 'tis that similitude of manners, which tyes most men in an inseparable linke, as if they be addicted to the same studies or disports, they delight in one anothers companies, *birds of a feather, will gather together*: if they be of diuers inclinations, or opposite in manners, they can seldome agree. Secondly, ^g affability, custome, and familiarity, may convert nature many times, though they be different in manners, as if they bee Countrey-men, fellow students, colleagues, or haue bin fellow-souldiers, ^h brethren in affliction, affinity, or some such accidentall occasion, though they cannot agree amongst themselves, they will sticke together like burrees, and hold against a third, or after some discontinuance, enmity ceaseth; or in a forraine place. A third cause of Loue and hate, may be mutuall offices, *acceptum beneficium*; commend him, vse him kindly, take his part in a quarrell, relieue him in his misery, thou winnest him for euer; doe the opposite, and be sure of a perpetuall enemy. Praise & dispraise of each other, doe as much, though vnknowne, as ^k *Schoppius* by *Scaliger*, and *Casaubonus*: *mulus mulum scabit*. Who but *Scaliger* with him, what *Encomions*, *Epithetes*, *Elogiums*? *Antistes sapientia, perpetuus dictator literarum, ornamentum, Europa miraculum*, noble *Scaliger*, *incredibilis ingenij prastantia* &c. *dis potius quam hominibus per omnia comparandus, scripta eius aurea ancylia de cælo delapsa, poplitibus veneramur flexis* &c. but when they began to vary, none so absurd as *Scaliger*, so vile and base, as his Bookes de *Burdonum familia*, and other Satyrical inuestiues may witnesse, *Ovid* in *Ibin*, *Archilochus* himselfe was not so bitter: Another great tye or cause of loue, is consanguinity, Parents are deare to their children, children to their parents, brothers and sisters, cozens of all sorts, as a hen and chickens, all of a knot: euery Crow thinks her owne bird fairest. Many memorable examples are in this kinde, and 'tis *portenti simile*, if they doe not: a mother cannot forget her childe, *Salomon* so found out the true mother: loue of Parents cannot be concealed. 'tis naturall, and they that are inhumane in this kinde, are vnworthy of that aire they breathe, and of the foure Elements, yet many vnnaturall examples we haue in this rank, of hard-hearted parents, disobedient children, of ^l disagreeing brothers, nothing so common. The loue of kinsmen is growne cold, *many kinsmen* (as the saying is)

is) few friends, if thine estate be good, and thou able, *par pari referre*, to requite their kindnesse, there will be mutuall correspondence, otherwise thou art a burden, most odious to them aboue all others. The last obiekt that tyes man and man, is comelinesse of person, and beauty alone, as men loue women with a wanton eye: which *ἡρώδης* is called, *Heroicall*, or *Loue Melancholy*. Other loues (saith *ἡ Piccolominius*) are so called with some contraction, as the loue of wine, gold, &c. but this of women is predominant, in an higher straine, whose part affected is the Liuer, and this Loue deserues a longer explication, and shall be dilated a-part in the next Section.

m grad. i. cap. 22.

SUBJECT. 3.

Honest objects of Love.

Beauty is the common obiekt of all Loue, *n* as *I*t drawes a straw, so doth beauty loue; vertue and honesty are great motiues, and giue as fayre a lustre as the rest, especially if they be sincere and right, not ficate, but proceeding from true forme, and an incorrupt iudgement. For many times men are deceaued by their flattering *Gnathoes*, dissembling *Camelions*, out-fides, hypocrites, that make a shew of great loue, learning, pretend honesty, vertue zeale, modesty, with affected lookes & counterfeited gestures: faigned protestations often steale away the hearts and favours of men, and deceaue them, *specie virtutis & umbra*, when as *revera* and indeed, there is no worth or honesty at all in them, no truth, but meere hypocrisie, subtilty, knavery, & the like. As true friends they are, as he that *Calius Secundus* met by the high way side; and hard it is, in this temporizing age to distinguish such companions, or to finde them out. Such *Gnathoes* as these for the most part belong to great men, and by this glozing flattery, affability, and such like philters, so diue and insinuate into their favours, that they are taken for men of excellent worth, wisdom, learning, demy-gods, & so srew themselves into dignities, honours, offices: but these men cause harsh confusion often, and as many stirres, as *Ieroboams* Councillours in a Common-wealth, ouerthrowe themselves and others. *Tandlerus*, and some others make a doubt, whether Loue and hatred may be compelled by philters, or characters, *Cardan*, and *Marbodius* by pretious stones and amulets, *Astrologers* by election of times, &c. as *o* I shall elsewhere discusse. The true obiekt of this honest loue is vertue, wisdom, honesty, and *P* real worth, & this loue cannot deceaue or be compelled, *ut ameris amabilis esto*, loue it selfe is the most potent *philtrum*; vertue and wisdom, *gratia gratum faciens*, the sole and only grace, not counterfeited but open, honest, simple, naked, *q* descending from heauen, as our Apostle hath it, an infused habit from God, which hath giuen seuerall gifts, as witte, learning, tongues, for which they shall be amiable and gracious, *Eph. 4. 11.* as to *Saul* stature and a goodly presence, *1. Sam. 9. 1.* *Ioseph* found fauour in *Pharao's* court, *Gen. 39.* for his *r* person; And *Daniel* with the Prince of the Eunuces, *Dan. 19. 19.* *Christ* was gracious with God and men, *Luk. 2. 52.* There is still some peculiar grace as of good discourse, eloquence, wit, honesty, which is the *primum mobile*, first mouer, & a most forcible loadstone to draw the favours & good wills of mens eyes, eares, & affections vnto them. When *Iesus* spake they were all astonied at his answers (*Luk. 2. 47.*) and wondered at his

n Vires 3. de Anima, ut pale am succinum sic formam amur.

o Sect. sequent. p Nihil diuina homine proba.

q James 3. 17.

r Gratio est pulchro veniens e corpore virtutis.

gracious words which proceeded from his mouth. An Orator steales away the hearts of men, and as another Orpheus; quo vult, unde vult, hee pulls them to him by speech alone: a sweet voice causeth admiration, and hee that can venter himselfe in good words, in our ordinary phrase, we call him a proper man, a divine spirit. For which cause belike, those old Poets made *Mercurius* the Gentleman-vsher to the Graces, and Captaine of eloquence, and those *Charites* to be *Iupiters* & *Eurymones* daughters, descended from aboue. Though they be otherwise deformed, crooked, vgly to behold, these good parts of the minde denominate them faire. *Plato* commends the beauty of *Socrates*, yet who was more grimme of countenance, sterne and gastly to looke vpon, & so are and haue been most of your Philosophers, as *Gregory Nazianzen* obserues, deformed most part in that which is to be seene with the eyes, but most elegant in that which is not to be seene. Sæpe sub attrita latitat sapientia veste. *Aesope*, *Demoeritus*, *Aristotle*, *Politianus*, *Melanchthon*, *Gesner*, &c. withered old men, very harsh and impolite to the eye, but who were so terse, polite, eloquent, generally learned, temperate and modest? Honesty, vertue, faire conditions, are great entisers to such as are well giuen, and much auale to get the fauour and good will of men. *Abdolominus* in *Currius*, a poore man, (but which mine Author notes, the cause of his poverty was his honesty) was for his modesty and continency from a private person (for they found him digging in his garden) saluted king, and preferred before all the magnificoes of his time, iniecta ei vestis purpurâ auroq; distincta, a purple embrodered garment was put vpon him,^u and they bad him wash himselfe, and as he was worthy, take vpon him the stile and spirit of a king, continue his continency and the rest of his good parts. *Opere pretium audire*, &c. It is worthy of your attendance, *Livy* cryes, ^x you that scorne all but riches, and giue no esteeme to vertue, except they be wealthy withall, *Q. Cincinnatus* had but foure acres, and by the consent of the Senate was chosen Dictator of Rome. Of such account were *Cato*, *Fabritius*, *Aristides*, *Antoninus*, *Probus*, for their eminent worth: so *Cesar*, *Traian*, *Alexander*, admired for valour, *Titus delitia humani generis*, and which *Aurelius Victor* hath of *Vespasian* the dilling of his time, as *Edgar Etheling* was in England, for his ^z excellent vertues, their memory is yet fresh and sweet, and we loue them many ages after, though they be dead. *Suauem memoriam sui reliquit*, saith *Lipsius* of his friend, liuing & dead they are al one. ^a I haue euer loued as thou knowest (so *Tully* wrote to *Dolabella*) *Marcus Brutus*, for his great wit, singular honesty, constancy, sweet conditions, & beleue it there is nothing so amiable and ^b fayre as vertue. I doe mightily loue *Calvisinus*, (so ^{*} *Plinie* writes to *Sossius*) a most industrious, eloquent, vpright man, which is all in all with me. This affection came from his good parts. And as *St Austin* comments on the 84 Psalme, ^c There is a peculiar beauty of Iustice, which wee see with the eyes of our hearts, and loue, and are enamored with, as in *Martyrs*, though their bodies be torne in peeces with wild beasts, yet this beauty shines, and we loue their vertues. The ^d *Stoicks* are of opinion, that a wise man is onely Fayre, & *Cato* in *Tullies 3. de Finibus*, contends the same, that the lineaments

^f Orat. 28. de-
formes plerumq;
philosophi ad id
quod in aspectu
cadit, ea parte
legantes que o-
culos fugit.

^z Causæ ei pau-
pertatis, sicut
plerisq; probitas
fuit.

^u Ablue corpus;
& cape regis a-
nimus, & in eâ
fortunam qua
dignus es, conti-
nentiam istam
profer.

^x Qui præ diu-
itiis humana
spemunt, nec
virtuti locum
putant nisi opes
effluent. *Q. Cin-
cinnatus* consen-
su patrum in di-
ctatorem Ro-
manum electus,
& *Edgar Ethel-
ing* Englands
darling.

^z Morum sua-
uitas, obuia co-
mitas, prompta
officia, mortali-
um animos de-
merentur.

^a Epist. lib. 8.
Semper amavi,
ut tu scis, *M.
Brutum*, propter
eius summum
ingenium, sua-
uissimos mores,
singularem pro-
bitatem & con-
stantiam, nihil
est, mihi crede,
virtute forma-
lius, nihil amabilius.

^b Ardeat amor excitaret, si simulachrum eius ad oculos penetraret. *Plato Phedone.*

^c Est quedam pulchritudo iustitiæ quam vide-
mus oculis cordis, amamus, & exardescimus, ut in martyribus, quum eorum membra bestie lacerarint, est aliis deformis, &c.

^d *Lip-
sius* manu duc. ad *Phys. Stoic. lib. 3. diff. 17. solus sapiens pulcher.*

^{*} Epist. lib. 4. *Val-
erius* manu duc. ad *Phys. Stoic. lib. 3. diff. 17. solus sapiens pulcher.*

of the minde are farre fairer then those of the body; a wise and good man is only faire. It is reported of *Magdalen* Queene of *France*, and wife to *Lewes* the 12th, a Scottish woman by birth, that walking forth one evening with her Ladies, shee spied *M^r Alanus* one of the kings Chaplines, a silly, olde, & hardfaured man, fast asleepe in a bowre, and kissed him sweetly; when the young Ladies laughed at her for it, she replied that it was not his person that she did embrace and reverence, but the diuine beauty of his Soule. Thus in all ages vertue hath beene adored, admired, and a singular lustre hath proceeded from it, and the more vertuous he is, the more gracious, the more admired. No man so much followed vpon earth as *Christ* himselfe; & as the *Psalmist* saith, 44. 3. *he was fairer then the sonnes of men.* *Chrysostom.* hom. 8. in *Mat.* *Bernard.* ser. 1. de omnibus sanctis, *Austin.* *Castodore.* *Hier.* in 9. *Mat.* interpret it of the beauty of his person, there was a diuine Maiestie in his looks, and it shined like lightning, and drew all men to it, but *Basil.* *Cyrl.* lib. 5. super 55. *Esay.* *Theodoret.* *Arnobius.* &c. of the beauty of his diuinity, Justice, Grace, eloquence, &c. *Thomas* in *Psalm.* 44. of both, and so doth *Baradius.* and *Peter Morales.* lib. de pulcritud. *Iesu & Maria.* adding as much of *Ioseph.* and the *Virgin Mary.* Be they present or absent, neere vs, or a-farre off, this beauty shines, and will attract men many miles to come and see it. *Plato* and *Pythagoras* left their country, to see those wise *Aegyptian* Priests: *Apollonius* travelled into *Ethiopia.* *Persia.* to consult with the *Magi.* *Brachmanni.* *Gymnosophists.* The Queene of *Sheba* came to visit *Solomon.* and many, saith *Hierome.* came out of *Spaine* and remote places 1000 miles, to see that eloquent *Livy.* No beauty leaues such an impression, or strikes so deepe, or links the soules of men closer, then vertue. For that reason belike, *Homer* faines the three *Graces* to be linked and tyed hand in hand, because the hearts of men are so firmly vnited with such graces. *O sweet bands* (*Seneca* exclaimes) which so happily combine, that those which are bound by them, loue their binders, desiring withall, much more harder to be bound, and as so many *Geryons* to be vnited into one. For the nature of true friendship is to combine, to bee like affected, of one minde,

Velle & nolle ambobus idem, satiat ag, toto

Mens eua.

as the Poet saith, still to continue one and the same. And where this loue takes place, there is peace & quietnes, a true correspondence, perfect amity, a *Diapason* of vowes and wishes, the same opinions, as betwixt *Dauid* and *Jonathan.* *Damon* and *Pythias.* *Pylades* and *Orestes.* *Nysus* and *Euryalus.* *Theseus* and *Perithous.* they will liue and die together, and prosequute one another with good turnes, † *Nam vinci in amore turpissimum putant,* not onely liuing, but when their friends are dead, with Tombs & monuments, *Nania's.* Epitaphs, Elegies, Incriptions, Pyramides, Obeliskes, Statues, Images, Pictures, Histories, Poems, Annales, Feasts, Anniverfaries, many ages after (as *Platoes* Schollers did) they will parentare still, and omit no good office that may tend to the preferuation of their name, and eternall memory. *illum coloribus, illum cerâ, illum ere &c.* He did expresse his friend in colours, in waxe, in brasse, in inory, marble, gold and sluer (as *Pliny* reports of a citizen of *Rome*)

& serues anime dimidium mee. † *Plinius.* * *illum argento & auro, illum ebore, marmore effingit, & nuper ingenti adhibito auditorio, ingentem de vitâ ejus librum recitavit.* *epist.* lib. 4. *epist.* 68.

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Franc. Belfo-
rest. in hist. An.
1430.

Erant autem
se de deformis,
& ed formâ quâ
citius pueri ter-
rent, possunt, quâ
in mari ad oscu-
lum puellæ.
& Deformis iste
est, videtur se-
nex, dixit ma-
nimum habet.

Fulgebat vul-
tu suo, fulgor &
diuina maestas,
homines ad se
trahens.

Prefat. bib.
vulgar.

A true louers
knot.

m O dalcissimi
laquei, qui tam
feliciter devin-
ciunt, ut etiam a
vinctis deligan-
tur, qui a gratys
vincti sunt, cu-
piunt artibus
deligari, & in
unum redigi.

n Statius.
c He loued
him as he lo-
ued his owne
soule. 1 *Sam.*
15. 1.

p Virg. 9. Æn.
Qui super exa-
nimem sese con-
iecit amicam
Confossus.

q Amicus ani-
me dimidium.
Austin. confess.
cap. 6.

Quod de Virgi-
lio Horatius,
ingenti adhibito

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*Lib.4.epist.61
prisco suo.Dedit
mibi quantum
potuit maximā,
daturus amplius
si potuisset.Tam-
etsi quid homini
dari potest ma-
ius quam gloria,
laus & eterni-
tas.

At non erunt
fortasse que
scripsit. Ille ta-
men scripsit tan-
quam essent fu-
tura.

† Lib.13. de Le-
gibus. Magnam
eius vim ha-
bent. &c

† Pari tamen
studio & pietate
conscribende vi-
te eius munus
suscepi, & post-
quam sumptuo-
sa condere pro
fortuna, non li-
cuit, exiguo sed
eo forte liberalis
vixit moni-
mento iusta san-
ctissimo cineri
solventur.

† Nec amant
quemquam, nec
amantur ab ullo.

† 1 Sam.25.3.
† Esther.

† Annus Mar-
celinus lib.14.

and in a great Auditory not long since recited a iust volumne of his life. In ano-
ther place,* speaking of an Epigram which Martiall had composed in praise
of him, He gaue me as much as he might, and would haue done more if hee could:
though what can a man giue more then honor, glory & eternitie? But that which
he wrote peradventure, will not continue, yet he wrote it to continue. 'Tis all
the recompence a poore scholler can make his well-deseruing Patron, Me-
canas, friend, to mention him in his Workes, to dedicate a booke to his
name, to write his life &c. as all our Poets, Orators, Historiographers haue
euer done, and the greatest reuenge such men take of their aduersaries, to
persecute them with Satyres, Iniectiues &c. & 'tis both wayes of great mo-
ment, as Plato giues vs to vnderstand. Paulus Iovius in the fourth booke of
the life and deeds of Pope Leo Decimus, his noble Patron, concludes in these
words; † Because I cannot honor him as other rich men doe, with like endeaour,
affection, & piety, I haue vnderaken to write his life, since my fortunes will not
giue me leaue to make a more sumptuous monument, I will performe those rites to
his sacred ashes, which a small perhaps, but a liberall wit can afford. But I roue.
Where this true loue is wanting, there can be no firme peace, friendship frō
teeth outward, counterfeit, or for some by respects, so long dissembled, till
they haue satisfied their own ends, which vpon euery smal occasion, breakes
out into enmity, open warre, defiance, heart-burnings, whispring, calumnies,
contentions, and all manner of bitter melancholy discontents. And those
men which haue no other obiect of their loue, then greatnes, wealth, authori-
ty, &c. are rather feared then beloued; & howsoeuer borne with for a time,
yet for their tyranny and oppression, griping, couetousnes, currish hardnes,
folly, intemperance, impudence, & such like vices, they are generally odious,
† abhorred of all, both God and men,

Non uxor saluum te vult non filius, omnes
Vicini oderunt, —

wife and children,

friends, neighbours, all the world forsakes them, would faine be rid of them,
and are compelled many times to lay violent hands on them, or Gods iudg-
ments ouertake them: instead of Graces, come Furies. So when faire *Abi-
gail*, a woman of singular wisdom, was acceptable to *Dauid*, *Nabal* was
churlish and euill-conditioned, & therefore *Mardochoy* was receiued, when
Haman was executed. Though they flourish many times, such hypocrites,
such temporizing Foxes, and bleare the worlds eyes by flattery, bribery, dis-
sembling their natures, or other mens weaknesse, that cannot so soon appre-
hend their tricks, yet in the end they will be discerned, and precipitated in a
moment, surely saith *Dauid*, thou hast set them in slippery places, Ps. 73.5. as so
many *Seiani*, they will come downe to the *Gemonian scales*; and as *Ensebius*
in *Amianus*, that was in such authority ad iubendum Imperatorem, bee
cast downe headlong on a sudden. Or put case they escape and rest vnmasked
to their liues end, yet after their death, their memory stinkes as a sinuffe of a
candle put out, and those that durst not so much as mutter against them in
their liues, will prosecute their name with Satyrs, Libels, and bitter impreca-
tions, they shall male audire in all succeeding ages, and bee odious to the
worlds end.

MEMB. 3.

Charity, composed of all three kinds, Pleasant, Profitable, Honest.

BEsides this loue that proceedes from Profit, Pleasant, Honest (for one good turne asks another in equity) or that proceedes from the Law of Nature, or from discipline and Philosophy; there is yet another loue compound of all these three, which is *Charity*, commanded by God, which no man can well performe, but he that is a Christian, and a true regenerate man; That is, *To loue God above all, and our neighbour as our selfe*. Other Obiects are faire, & very beautifull I confesse, kindred, alliance, friendship, the loue that we owe to our countrey, nature, wealth, pleasure, honor, and such moral respects, &c. A man is beloued of a man, in that he is a man, but all these are farre more eminent and great, when they shal proceed from a sanctified spirit, that hath a true touch of Religion, and a reference to God. Nature bindes a man to loue his Parents, & this loue cannot be dissolued, as *Tully* holds, *without detestable offence*: but much more Gods Cōmandemēt, which inioynes a filiall loue and obedience in this kind. *The loue of brethren is great, and like an arch of stones, where if one be displaced, all comes downe*, no loue so forcible and strong, honest to the combination of which, nature, fortune, vertue happily concurre, yet this loue comes short of it.

—*Dulce & decorum pro patria mori*, and it cannot be expressed, what a deale of Charity that one name of Countrey containes. The Decy did se deuovere, *Horatij, Curtij, Regulus, Codrus*, sacrifice themselves for their Countreyes peace and good.

b Vna dies Fabios ad bellum miserat omnes,

Ad bellum missos perdidit una dies.

One day the *Fabij* stoutly warred,

One day the *Fabij* were destroyed.

Fifty thousand Englishmen lost their liues willingly at *Battell Abbye*, in defence of their Countrey. *c P. Amilius l. 6.* speaks of six Senators of *Calice*, that came with halters in their hands to the K. of *England*, to die for the rest. This loue makes so many Writers take such paines, so many Historiographers, Physicians, &c. or at least as they pretend for common good, and their Countries good. *d Sanctum nomen amicitia sociorum communio sacra*; Friendship is an holy name, and a sacred communion of friends. *e As the Sunne is in the Firmament, so is friendship in the world*, a most diuine and heauenly band, take this away, and take all pleasure, all ioy, comfort, happines, and true content out of the world, tis the greatest tye; and as our moderne *Maro* decides it, is much to be preferred before the rest.

f Hard is the doubt, and difficult to deeme,

When all three kinds of loue together meet;

And doe dispart the heart with power extreme,

Whether shall waigh the ballance downe, to wit;

The deare affection vnto kindred sweet,

Or raging fire of loue to women kind,

Or zeale of friends, combinde by vertues meete,

But

z Ut mundus duobus polis sustentatur, illa lex Dei, amore Dei & proximi, duobus his fundamentis vincitur, machina mundi corrumpitur, si una de polis turbatur, lex perit diuina si una ex his.

1 De amicis. Charitas parentum dilui nisi detestabili scelere non potest lapidum formicibus similima, casura, nisi se invicem sustentaret. Seneca.

a Dy immortales, dici non potest quantum charitatis nomen illud habet.

b Ouid. Fast. Anno 1347. Jacob Mayer. Annal. Fland. lib. 12.

d Tully. e Lucianus Toxari. Amicitia ut sol in mundo. &c.

f Spencer Fairy Queene. lib. 5. cant. 9. stasse 1. 2.

But of them all, the band of vertuous mind,
Me thinkes the gentle heart should most assured bind.

For naturall affection soone doth cease,
And quenched is with Cupids greater flame,
But faithfull friendship doth them both suppress,
And them with mastering discipline doth tame,
Through thoughts aspiring to eternall fame.
For as the Soule doth rule the earthly masse,
And all the seruice of the body frame,
So loue of Soule doth loue of Body passe,

No lesse then perfect gold surmounts the meanest brasse.

A faithfull friend is better then ^h gold, a medicine of misery, and ⁱ an on-
ly possession, yet all this loue of friends, all three loues put together, are litle
worth, if they proceed not from a true Christian illuminated soule, if it bee
not done *in ordine ad Deum*, for Gods sake. Though I had the gift of Prophecie,
spake with tongue of men and Angels, though I feed the poore with all my goods,
and giue my body to be burned, and haue not this loue, it profiteth mee nothing,
1. Cor. 13. 1. 2. 3. This is an all-apprehending loue, loue with an addition, loue
of God, and loue of men. ^k The loue of God begets the loue of
man, and by this loue of our neighbour, the loue of God is nourished and increa-
sed. By this happy Vnion of loue, ^l all well-gouerned families & cities are com-
bined, the heauens annexed, and diuine soules complicated, the world it selfe
composed, and all that is in it, conioyned in God, and reduced to one. ^m This loue
causeth true and absolute vertues, the life and spirit, and root of euery vertuous
action, it finisheth prosperity, easeth aduersity, corrects all naturall incumbran-
ces, inconueniences, sustained by Faith and Hope, which with this our loue,
make an indissoluble twist; a Gordian knot, an Equilater Triangle. And yet
the greatest of them is loue, 1. Cor. 13. 13. which inflames our soules with a diuine
heate, and being so inflamed purgeth, and so purgeth, eleuates to God, makes an
attenuement, and reconciles vs vnto him. ⁿ That other loue infects the soule of
man, this cleanseth; that depresses, this creates; that causeth cares and troubles,
this quietnesse of mind; this informes, that deforms our life; that leades to re-
pentance, this to heauen. For if once we be truely link't and touched with this
Charity, we shall loue God aboue all, our neighbour as our selfe, as wee are
injoynd, Marke 12. 31. Mat. 19. 19. performe all these duties and exercises,
those operations of a good Christian.

This loue suffereth long, it is bountifull, enuieeth not, boasteth not it selfe, is
not puffed vp, it deceiueth not, it seeketh not his owne things, is not prouoked to
anger, it thinketh not euill, it reioyceth not in iniquity, but in truth. It suffereth
all things, beleeueth all things, bopeth all things, 1. Cor. 13. 4. 5. 6. 7. it couereth all
trespasses, Prov. 10. 12. a multitude of sinnes, 1. Pet. 4. it will defend the father-
lesse and widow, 1. say 1. 17. will seeke no reuenge, or be mindfull of wrong, Levit.
19. 18. will bring home his brothers oxen if hee goe astray, as he is commanded,
Deut. 22. 1. will resist euill, giue to him that asketh, and not turne from him that
borroweth, blesse them that curse him, loue his enemy, Mat. 5. beare his brothers
burden, Galat. 6. 2. He that so loues, will be Hospirall, and distribute to the ne-
cessities of the Saints, he will, if it be possible, haue peace with all men, feede
his

^g Syracides.

^h Plutarch. pre-

ciosum numisma

ⁱ Xenophon. ve-

rus amicus pre-

stantissima pos-

sessio.

^k Greg. Per a-

morem Dei, pro-

ximi gignitur,

& per hunc a-

morem proximi,

Dei nutritur.

^l Piccolomineus

grad. 7. cap. 27.

hoc felici amoris

nodo ligantur

familie, civita-

tes, &c.

^m Veritas, abso-

luta hoc parit

virtutes, radix

omnium virtu-

rum, mens &

spiritus.

ⁿ Diuino calore

animas incendit,

incensos purgat,

purgatos eleuat

ad Deum. Deum

placet, hominem

Deo conciliat.

Bernard.

^o Ille inficit, hic

perficit, ille de-

primi, hic ele-

uat, hic tran-

quillitatem, ille

cuius parit, hic

vicam recte in-

format, ille de-

format &c.

his enemy if he be hungry; if he be a-thirst, give him drinke, he will performe those seuen workes of Mercy, he will make himselfe equall to them of the lower sort, reioice with thē that reioice, weep with thē that weep. Rom. 12. he wil speak truth to his neighbour, be courteous & tender hearted, Forgiuing others for Christs sake, as God forgave him, Eph. 4. 32. he will be like minded, Phil. 2. 2. of one Iudgment. Be humble, meek, long suffring, Coloss. 3. forbeare, forget & forgie, 12. 13. 23. and what he doth, shall be heartily done to God, and not to men. Be pitifull and courteous, 1 Pet. 3. seeke peace and follow it. He will loue his brother, not in word and tongue, but in deed and truth, Ioh. 3. 18. and he that loues God, Christ will loue him that is begotten of him, Iohn 5. 1. &c. Thus should we willingly doe, if wee had a true touch of this Charity, of this diuine loue, if wee would performe this which wee are inioyned, forget and forgie, and compose our selues to those Christian Lawes of Loue.

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P. O felix hominum genus,

Si vestros animos amor

Quo calum regitur regat.

*Boethius lib. 2
met. 3.*

Angelicall soules, how blessed, how happy should we be, how might we triumph over the diuell, and haue another heauen vpon earth!

But this we cannot doe, and which is the cause of all our woes, miseries, discontent, melancholy, & want of this Charity. We doe *in vicem angariare*, contend, insult, vexe, torture, molest and hold one anothers nose to the grinstone hard, prouoke, raile, scoffe, calumniate, challenge, hate, abuse (hard hearted, implacable, malicious, peeuish, inexorable as we are) to satisfie our lust or priuate spleene, for toys, trifles, and impertinent occasions, spend our selues, goods, friends, fortunes, to be revenged on our adversary, to ruine him and his. 'Tis all our study, practise and businesse, how to plot mischief, mine & counter mine, defend & offend, warde our selues, iniurie others, hurt all; as if we were borne to doe mischief, and that with such eagernesse and bitternesse, with such rancor, malice, rage and furie, we prosecute our intended designs, that neither affinity or consanguinity, loue or feare of God or men can containe vs, no satisfaction, no composition will be accepted, no offices will serue, no submission; though he shall vpon his knees, as *Sarpedon* did to *Glaucus* in *Homer*, acknowledging his error, yeeld himselfe with teares in his eyes, beg his pardon, we will not relent, forgie, or pardon, till we haue confounded him and his, made dice of his bones, as they say, see him rot in prison, banished his friends, followers, & *omne inuisum genus*, rooted him out and all his posterity. Monsters of men as we are, Dogges, Wolues, Tygers, Bulles, Beares, Fiends and Diuels, we doe not onely contend, oppresse, and tyrannize our selues, but as so many fire-brands, wee set on, and animate others, our whole life is a perpetuall combate, a conflict, a set battle, a sharling fit, *Eris dea*, is settled in our tents, *Omnia de lite*, opposing wit to wit, wealth to wealth, strength to strength, fortunes to fortunes, friends to friends, as at a Sea-fight, we turne our broad sides, or two millstones with continuall attrition, we fire our selues, or breake anothers backs, and both are ruined & consumed in the end. Miserable wretches as we are, to fat and enrich our selues, we care not how we get it, how many thousands we vndoe, whom wee oppresse, by whose ruine and downefall we arise, whom wee iniury, fatherlesse children, widowes, common societies, to satisfie our owne priuate lust.

Deliquium patitur Charitas, odium eius loco succedit. Basil. 1. ser. de insult. mon.

2. Nodum in scirpo quærentes.

Hircæus q. ad morant ubera tigers.

Hercules.

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Though we haue myriades, abundance of wealth and treasure, (pittilesse, mercilesse, remorselesse as we are, and vncharitable in the highest degree) & our poore brother in need, sicknesse, in great extremity, and now ready to be starued for want of food, wee had rather, as the Fox told the Ape, his taile should sweep the ground still, then couer his buttocks, rather spend it idly, consume it with dogges, hawkes, hounds, vnecessary buildings, in riotous apparell, ingurgitate, or let it be lost, then he should haue part of it, rather take from him that little which he hath, then relieue him.

*Si in gehennā
abit, pauperē qui
non alit, quid de
eo fiet qui pau-
perem denudat.
Austm.*

Like the dogge in the manger, we will neither vse it our selues, nor let others make vse of, or inioy it, part with nothing while we liue, and for want of disposing our household, and setting things in order, set all the world together by the eares after our death. Poore Lazarus lies howling at his gates for a few crummes, he onely seekes chippings, offals, let him roare & howle, famish, and eat his owne flesh, he respects him not. A poore decayed kinsman of his, sets vpon him by the way in all his iollity, and runnes begging bare-headed by him, coniuring by those former bands of friendship, alliance, consanguinity &c. vncke, cosen, brother, father.

*—Per ego has lachrymas, dextramq. tuam te,
Si quidquam de te merui, fuit aut tibi quidquam
Dulce meum miserere mei.*

Shew some pity for Christs sake, pittie a sick man, an old man, &c. hee cares not, ride on: pretend sicknes, inevitable losse of limmes, goods, plead surerityship, or shipwracke, fires, common calamities, shew thy wants and imperfections.

*Et si per sanctum iuratus dicat Osyrim,
Credite non ludo crudeles tollite claudum.*

sweare, protest, take God and all his Angels to witnesse, *quare peregrinum*, he is not touched with it, *pauper ubiq. iacet*, ride on, he takes no notice of it. Put vp a supplication to him in the name of a thousand Orphans, an hospitall, a spittle, a prison as he goes by, they cry out to him for aide, ride on, *surdus narras*, he cares not, let them eat stones, deuoure themselves with vermine, rot in their owne dung, he cares not. Shew him a decayed hauē, a bridge, a schoole, a fortification &c. or some publike worke, ride on; good your worship, your honour for Gods sake, your countries sake, ride on. But shew him a rolle, wherein his name shall bee registred in golden letters, and commended to all posterity, his armes set vp, with his deuices to bee seene, then peradventure he will stay and contribute; or if thou canst thunder vpon him, as Papists doe, with satisfactory and meritorious workes, or perswade him by this meanes, he shall haue his soule out of hell, and free it from Purgatory, then in all likelyhood he will listen and stay; or that he haue no children, no neere kinsman, heire he cares for at least, or cannot well tell otherwise how or where to bestow his possessions (for carry them with him hee cannot) it may be then he will build some schoole or hospitall in his life, or be induced to giue liberally to pious vses after his death. For I dare boldly say, that vaine glory, that opinion of merit, and this inforced necessity, when they know not otherwise how to leaue, or what better to doe with them, is the maine cause of most of our good workes. I will not say this, to derogate from any good mans charitable deuotion or bounty in this kind, to censure any good worke, no doubt there be many sanctified, heroicall, and worthy minded

minded men, that out of true zeale, and for vertues sake, diuine spirits, that out of commiseration and pittie, extend their liberality, and as much as in them lyes, doe good to all men, cloath the naked, feed the hungry, comfort the sicke & needy, relieue all, forget and forgiue iniuries, as true charity requires; yet most part there is *simulatum quid*, a deale of hypocrisie in this kind, much default and defect. As *Cosmus Medicus* that rich citizen of Florence confessed to a neere friend of his, that would know of him why he built so many publike and magnificent palaces, & bestowed so liberally on Schollers, not that he loued Learning more then others, but to *eternize his owne name, to be immortal by the benefit of Schollers; for when his friends were dead, walles decayed, and all Inscriptions gone, bookes would remaine to the worlds end.* Vainglory and emulation (as to most men) was the cause efficient, and to be a trumpetter of his owne fame, was his sole intent, so to doe good, that all the world may take notice of it. Such for the most part is the charity of our times, such our Benefactors, *Mecenates* and Patrons. Shew me amongst so many myriades, a truely deuout, a right, honest, vpright, meeke, humble, a patient, innocuous innocent, a mercifull, a louing, a charitable man? *Probus quis nobiscum vivit?* Shew me a *Caleb* or a *Iosua*?

x Iouius vita eius.
y Immortalitatem beneficio literarum, immortalitatem gloriæ quidam cupiditate concupiscit.
Quod ciues quibus bene fecisset perituri, meminerunt, et si regis sumptus adificata, non libri.
z Hier.

Dic mihi Musa virum—

Shew a vertuous woman a constant wife, a good neighbor, a trusty servant, an obedient childe, a true friend, &c. He that shall examine this *yrone age* wherein we liue, where charity is cold, *& iam terras Astræ reliquit*, and the Diuill loose, and see one man vilifie and insult over his brother, as if he were an innocent, or a blocke, oppress, tyrannise, pray vpon, torture him, vex, gaull, torment & crucifie him, starue him, where is charity? To see men sweare and forswear, lie, & beare false witnes, to advantage themselves, preiudice others, hazard goods, liues, fortunes, to be revenged on their enemies, men so vspeakable in their lusts vnnaturall in malice, such bloody designements, *Italian* Blaspheming, *Spanish* renouncing, &c. where is charity? He that shall see so many law suits, such endlesse contentions, such plotting, vndermining, so much mony spent with such egerneesse and furie, every man for himselfe his owne ends, the Diuill for all, so many distressed soules, such lamentable complaints, so many factions, conspiracies, seditions, such grudging, repining, discontent, so much emulation, envie, so many brawls, quarrels, monomachies, &c. where is charity? To see and read of such cruell warres, tumults, vproares, bloody battles, so many *men* slaine, so many citties ruined &c. (for what else is the subject of all our stories almost, but Bills, Bowes, and Gunnes) so many murders and massacres, &c. where is Charity? To see men wholly devote to God, Churchmen, professed Divines, holy men, *to make the trumpet of the Gospell the trumpet of warre*, a company of hell borne Jesuits, and fiery spirited Fryers, *facem præferre* to all seditions, as so many firebrands set all the world by the eares (I say nothing of their contentions and rayling bookes, whole ages spent in writing one against another, and that with such virulency and bitterneesse *Bionais sermonibus & sale nigro*) and by their bloody inquisitions that in 30 yeares, *Balesaith*, consumed 39 Princes, 148 Earles, 235 Barons, 14755 Commons, worse then those ten persecutions, where is Charity? Hee that shall obserue and see these things may say to them as *Cato* to *Cæsar*, *credo quæ de inferis dicuntur falsa existimas*, sure I thinke thou art of opinion there

a Durum genus sumus.
b Tull. pro Rosc. mentiri vis causa mea, ego verè capide & libenter mentiar tuâ causa, & si quando me vis perire, et paululâ tu compendii facias paratum fore scito.
c Gallienus in Trt. b. Pollio lacera, occide, mea mente nascere.
Rabie iecur incendente seruntur Precipites.
Popiscus of Aurelian. Tantum sudat sanguinis quantum quis vini potauit.
d Evangelii tubam belli tubam faciunt: in pulpitis pacem, in colloquiis bellum suadent.

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is neither Heaven nor Hell. Let them pretend religion, zeale, make what shewes they will, giue almes, peace makers, frequent sermons, if wee may guesse at the tree by the fruit, they are no better then Hypocrites, Epicures, Atheists, with the ^cfoole in their hearts they say there is no God. 'Tis no marvell then if being so vncharitable, hard hearted as we are, we haue so frequent and so many discontents, such melancholy fits, so many bitter pangs, mutuell discords, all in a combustion, often complaints, so common grieuances, generall mischiefes, so many plagues, warres, vproares, losses, deluges, fires, inundations, Gods vengeance, & all the plagues of *Egypt* come not vpon vs, since we are so vncharitable one towards another, so respectlesse of God, & our neighbours, and by our crying sinnes pull these miseries vpon our owne heads. If we had any sense or feeling of these things, surely wee should not goe on as we doe, in such irregular courses, practise all manner of impieties, our whole carriage would not be so auerse from God. If a man would but consider, when he is in the midst and full career of such prodigious and vncharitable actions, how displeasing they are in Gods sight, how noxious to himselfe, as *Solomon* told *Ioab*. 1. *Kings*, 2. the Lord shall bring this bloud vpon their heads. *Prov*. 1. 27. sudden desolation & destruction shall come like a whirlwinde vpon them: affliction, anguish, the reward of his hand shall be giuen him, *Isa*. 3. 11. &c. they shall fall into the pit they haue digged for others, & when they are scraping, tyrannising, getting, wallowing in their wealth, This night, O foole, I will take away thy soule, what a seuerer account they must make, and how ^fgracious on the other side a charitable man is in Gods eyes, *haurit sibi gratiam* *Mat*. 5. 7. blessed are the mercifull for they shall obtaine mercy: He that lendeth to the poore giues to God, and how it shall be restored to them againe how by their patience and long suffering they shall heape coales on their enemies heads, *Rom*. 12. and he that followeth after righteousness and mercy shall finde righteousness and glory: Surely they would checke themselves, curb in their vnnaturall inordinate affections, agree amongst themselves, abstaine from doing euill, amend their liues and learne to doe good. Behold how comely & good a thing it is for brethren to liue together in vⁿion: it is like the pretious oymment, &c. How odious to contend one with the other. ^b*Miseri quid luctatiunculis hisce volumus, ecce mors supra caput est, & supremum illud tribunal, ubi & dicta & facta nostra examinanda sunt. Sapiamus.* Why doe wee contend and vex one another, behold death is ouer our heads, and wee must shortly giue account of all our vncharitable words and actions, thinke vpon it, and be wise.

^c *Psal*. 13. 1.^f *Benefacit anime sue vniuersos.*^g *Concordia magne res crescunt, discordia maxime dilabuntur.*
^h *Lippus.*

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MEMB. 1. SUBSEC. 1.

Heroicall loue causing melancholy. His Pedegree, Power, and Extent.

IN the precedent Section mention was made amongst other pleasant objects, of this comeliness and beauty which proceeds from women, which causeth *Heroicall*, or loue melancholy, and is more eminent aboue the rest, and properly called *Loue*. The part affected in men is the liuer, & therefore called *Heroicall*, because commonly Gallants, Noblemen and the most generous spirits are possessed with it. His power & extent is very large, i & in that twofold division of Loue, *phæv* & *isv*, those two *Veneres* which *Plato* and some others make mention of, it is most eminent, and *αἰσχρογὰρ* called *Venus*, as I haue said, or *Loue* it selfe. Which although it bee denominated from men, and most evident in them, yet it extends and shewes it selfe in vegetable and sensible creatures, and those incorporeall substances (as shall be specified) and hath a large dominion and souerainty ouer them. His pedegree is very ancient, and deriued from the beginning of the world, as *Phædrus* contends, and his parentage of such antiquity, that no Poet could euer finde it out. *Hesiod* makes *Terra* and *Chaos* to be Loues parents, before the Gods were borne: *Plutarch amator: libello*, will haue loue to be the sonne of *Irus* and *Favonius*, but *Socrates* in that pleasant dialogue of *Plato*, when it came to his turne to speak of Loue, telleth this tale. When *Venus* was borne, all the Gods were invited to a banquet, & amongst the rest, *Porus* the God of bounty and wealth. *Penia* or pouerty came a begging to the doore. *Porus* well whited with *Nectar* (for there was no wine in those dayes) walking in *Iupiters* garden, in a Bowre met with *Penia*, and in his drinke got her with childe, of whom was borne *Loue*, & because he was begotten on *Venus* birth day, *Venus* still attends vpon him. The morall of this is in *P. Ficinus*. Another tale is there borrowed out of *Aristophanes*: In the beginning of the world, men had foure armes and foure feet, but for their pride because they compared themselues with the Gods, they were parted into halfes, and now peradventure by Loue they hope to be vnited againe and made one. Otherwise thus, *Vulcan* met two Louers, and bid them aske what they would & they should haue it, but they made answer, *O Vulcane faber Deorum &c.* *O Vulcan the Gods great Smith, we beseech thee to worke vs a new in thy fornace, and of two make vs one, which he presently did, and euer since true louers are all one, & desire to be vnited.* Many such tales you shall finde in *Leon: Hebraeus dial. 3.* & their morall to them. The reason why loue was still painted young, is because young men are most apt to loue, soft faire, and fat, because such folkes are soonest taken: naked, because all true affection is simple & open: he smiles, because merry and giuen to delights: bath a quiuering, to shew his power, none can escape: is

i Memb. 1.
Subst. 2.

k Amor & amicitia.

l Phædrus orat. in laudem amoris Platoni conuicio.

m Ante Deos omnes primum generauit amorem.

n See the morall in Plutarch of that fiction.

o Affluentia Deus.

p Cap. 7. Comment. in Plat. conuivium.

q See more in Valesius lib. 3. cont. med. & cont. 13.

r Vines 3. de anima. Oramus te ut tuis artibus & caminis nos refingas, & ex duobus unum facias, quod & fecit, & exinde amatores unum sunt & unum esse petunt.

s See more in Natalis Comes Imagin. Deorum Philostratus de Imaginibus. Lilius Giralduus Syntag de dys, &c.

t Iuv eni pingi-

tur quod amore plerumq; iuvenes capiuntur. sic & mollis, formosus. nudus quod simplex & apertus hic affectus, videt quod oblatamini pra se ferat, cum pharetra, &c.

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^a A pety Pope
claves habet su-
perorum & in-
ferorum as Or-
pheus, &c.

^a Lib. 13. cap. 5.
Dynaſophiſt.

^y Regnat & in
ſuperos ius ha-
bet ille deos O-
vid.

^a Selden proleg.
3. cap. de diis
Syris.

^a Dial. 3.

^b Fulmine con-
citor.

^a Tom. 4.

^c Dial. Deorum.

[†] Tom. 3.

^{*} Quippe ma-
trem ipſus qui-
bus modis me
afficit, nunc in
Idam adigens
Anchiſe cauſe
&c.

[†] Jampridem
& plagas ipſi in-
nates inculſi ſan-
elatio.

^a Nullis amor
eſt medicabilis
herbis.

^c Plutarch in
Amatorio, Di-
ctator quo crea-
to ceſſant reliqui
maſtratus.

ⁱ Neq. prius in
iis deſiderium
ceſſat dum deie-
ctus conſoletur,
videre enim eſt
ipſam arborem
incurvatam, ul-
tro ramis ab u-
triſq. viciffim ad
ofculum expor-
rectis.

Maniſeſta dant
mutui deſiderii
ſigna.

blinde, becauſe he ſees not where hee ſtrikes, whom he hits, &c. His power and ſoueraignty is expreſſed by the ^a Poets, in that hee is held to be a God, and a great commanding God, aboue *Iupiter* himſelfe, *Magnus Damon*, as *Plato* calls him, and the ſtrongeſt and merrieſt of all the Gods according to ^a *Athenus*. *Amor virorum rex, amor rex & deum*, as *Euripides*, the God of Gods and gouernour of men, that conquers all, y domineeres ouer all, & can make mad and ſober whom hee liſt; inſomuch that *Cacilius* in *Tullies Tuſculanes*, holds him to bee no better then a ſoole or an idiot, that doth not acknow- ledge loue to be a great God.

^a Cui in manu ſit quem eſſe dementem velit,

Quem ſapere, quem ſanari, quem in morbum injici, &c.

That can make ſicke and cure whom he liſt. *Homer* & *Stefichorus* were both made blinde, if you will beleue ^a *Leon*: *Hebraus* for ſpeaking againſt his god- head: he is of that ^b power, maiesty, omnipotency, and dominion, that no creature can withſtand him: *Iupiter* himſelfe was turned into *Satyre*, *Shep- heard*, a *Bull*, a *Swanne*, a golden ſhowre, and what not for loue; that as ^{*} *Lu- cians* *Iuno* right well objected to him, *ludus amoris tu es*, thou art *Cupids* whirlegigge, how did he inſult ouer all the other Gods, *Mars*, *Neptune*, *Pan*, *Mercury*, *Bacchus*, and the reſt? *Lucian* brings in *Iupiter* complaining of *Cu- pid* that he could not be quiet for him; and the [†] *Moone* lamenting, that ſhee was ſo impotently beſotted on *Endimion*, euen *Venus* her ſelfe confeſſing as much, how rudely and in what ſort her own ſonne *Cupid* had vſed her being his ^{*} mother, *Now drining her to mount Ida*, for the loue of that *Troian An- chifes*, now to *Libanus* for that *Aſſyrian* youths ſake. And although ſhe threat- ned to breake his bowe and arrowes, to clip his wings, [†] and whipped him beſides on the bare buttocks with her pantophle, yet all would not ſerue, he was too head- ſtrong and unruly. That monſter conquering *Hercules* was tamed by him:

Quem non mille fera, quem non *Sthecleius* hoſtis,

Nec potuit *Iuno* vincere, vicit amor.

Whom neither beaſts nor enemies could tame,

Nor *Iuno's* might ſubdue, loue quel'd the ſame.

Apollo that could cure all diſeaſes, ^a could not cure himſelfe of this, & there- fore ^c *Socrates* calls Loue a tyrant, and brings him triumphing in a Chariot, whom *Petrarch* imitates in his triumph of Loue, and *Fracaſtorius* in an ele- gant Poeme expreſſeth at large, *Cupid* riding, *Mars* and *Apollo* following his Chariot, *Psyche* weeping, &c.

In vegetall creatures what a Soueraignty loue hath, by many pregnant proofes and familiar examples may bee proued, eſpecially of *Palme trees*, which are both he and ſhe, and expreſſe not a ſympathy but a loue paſſion, as by many obſervations hath beene confirmed. *Conſtantine de Agric. l. 10. cap. 4.* giues an inſtance out of *Florentius* his *Georgicks*, of a *Palme tree* that lou'd moſt feruently, and would not bee comforted untill ſuch time her loue ap- plied her ſelfe vnto her, you might ſee the two trees bend, and of their owne ac- cords ſtretch out their boughs to embrace and kiſſe each other: They will giue ma- niſeſt ſignes of mutuall loue. *Ammianus Marcellinus lib. 24.* reports that they marry one another, and fall in loue if they growe in ſight, and when the wind brings the ſmell to them, they are maruellouſly affected. *Philolaſtratus* in *Ima- ginibus* obſerues as much, and *Galen, lib. 6. de locis affectu, cap. 5.* they will bee ſicke

sicke for loue, and ready to dye and pine away, which the husbandmen perceauing, saith *Constantine* stroke many Palmes that growe together, and so stroking againe the Palme that is enamored, they carry kisses from the one to the other: or tying the leaues and branches of the one to the stemme of the other will make them both flourish and prosper a great deale better: ^h which are enamored they can perceane by the bending of their boughs, and inclination of their bodies. If any man thinke this which I say to be a tale, let him read that story of two Palme trees in Italy, the male growing at *Brundusium*, the female at *Otranto* (related by *Iovianus Pontanus* in an excellent Poem, sometimes Tutor to *Alphonſus Iunior*, King of Naples, his Secretary of State, and a great Philosopher) ⁱ which were barren, and so continued a long time, till they came to see one another by growing vp higher, though many *Stadiums* alunder. *Pierius* in his *Hieroglyphicks*, and *Melchior Guilandinus* memb. 3. traēt. de papyro, citeth this story of *Pontanus* for a truth. See more in *Salmuth comment. in Pancirol. de Nouarepert. Tit. 1. de nouo orbe*, *Mizaldus Arcanorum lib. 2. Sands voyage lib. 2. fol. 103. &c.*

If such fury be in Vegetalls, what shall wee thinke of sensible creatures, how much more violent and apparant shall it be in them?

^k Omne adeo genus in terris hominumq. ferarumq.

Et genus equorumq. pecudes, pictaq. volucres

In furias ignemq. ruunt, amor omnibus idem.

All kinde of creatures in the earth,

And fishes of the Sea.

And painted birds doe rage alike,

This loue beares equall sway.

^l Hic Deus & terras & maria alta domat.

Common experience & our sense wil informe vs, how violently bruit beasts are carried away with this passion, horses aboue the rest. --- *furor est insignis equarum.* ^m *Cupid* in *Lucian* bids *Venus* his mother be a good cheere, for he was now familiar with Lions, and oftentimes did get on their backs, and hold them by the mane, and ride them about like horses, and they would fawne vpon him with their tayles. Bulls, Beares, & Bores are so furious in this kinde that they kill one another: but especially Cocks, ⁿ Lions, & Harts, which are so fierce that you may heare them fight halfe a mile off, saith ^{*} *Turberville*, and many times kill each other, or compell them to abandon the rutte, that they may remaine masters in their places; and when one hath driuen his corriwall away, he raiseth his nose vp into the ayre, and lookes aloft as though he gaue thanks to nature, which gaue him such great delight. How Birds are affected in this kinde, appeares out of that of *Aristotle*, that will haue them to sing ob *futura Venerem*, for ioy or in hope of their venery which is to come. Fishes pine away for loue and wax leane, if ^o *Gomesius* authority may bee taken, so loue tyranniseth in dumbe creatures. Yet this is naturall for one beast to dote vpon another of the same kind, but what strange fury is that, when a Beast shall doe vpon a man? *Saxo Grammaticus lib. 10. Dan. hist.* hath a story of a Beare that loued a woman, and kept her in his denne a long time, and begot a son of her, out of whose loynes proceeded many Northerne Kings: this is the originall belike of that common tale of *Valentine* and *Orson*: *Alian*, *Pliny*, *Peter Gillius* are full of such relations. A Peacock in *Leucadia* lou'd a maide, and

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^p Multas palmas contingens, quae simul crescunt, rursusq. ad amantem regrediens, eamq. manu attingens, quasi osculum multo minis are videtur, & expetiti concubitus gratiam facit.

^q Quam vero ipsa desideret, affectu ramoris significat. & ad illam respicit amanter, &c.

^r Virg. 3. Geor.

^s Propertius.

^m Dial. deorum. Conſide mater, leonibus ipsis familiaris iam factus sum, & sepe conſcendi eorum terga & apprehendi iugas, equorum more inſidens, eos agito, & illi mihi caudis adblandiuntur.

ⁿ Leones pre amore furunt. *Plin. 1.8. cap. 16. Arist. 1.6. hist. animal.*

^o Cap. 17 of his booke of Hunting.

^p De ſale lib. 1. cap. 21. Pisces ob amorem maris celſunt, pallescent, &c.

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Plin. lib. 10.
cap. 5. quumq;
obviam tempe-
state pervisset

Hernias in sicco
piscis expiravit.
Postquam pu-
er morbo abiit,
& ipse Delphi-
nus periit.

Pleni sunt li-
bri quibus fere
in homines in-
flaminate fue-
runt, in quibus
ego quidem sem-
per asensum su-
simui, veritus ne
fabulosa crede-
rem. Donec vi-
di lyncem quem
habui ab Assyria
sic affectum er-
ga unum de me-
is hominibus;
&c.

Desiderium
suum testatus,
post in ediam a-
liquot dierum
interiit.

Qui hoc in a-
tra bilis aut I-
maginationis
vim referre co-
nati sunt, nihil
faciunt.

Canantem
audies & vinu
bibes, quale an-
tea nunquam
bibisti, te rivalis
turbabit nullus,
pulchra autem
pulchro contem-
pe vinam, &
moriam.

and when she died, the Peacock pined. ° A Dolphin loved a boy called Hernias, and when he died, the Fish came on land, and so perished. The like addes Gellius lib. 10. cap. 22, out of Appian, Egypt. lib. 15. a Dolphin at Puteoli loved a child, and would come often to him, & let him get on his back, & carry him about, & when by sickness the child was taken away, the Dolphin died. ° Every book is full (saith Busbequius, the Emperours Orator with the Grand Senior, not long since ep. 3. legat. Turc.) and yeelds such instances, to beleene which I was al- wayes afraid, lest I should be thought to give credit to fables, untill I saw a Lynx which I had from Assyria, so affected towards one of my men, that it cannot bee denied but that he was in loue with him. When my man was present, the beast would use many notable entisements, and pleasant motions, and when hee was going, hold him backe, and looke after him when he was gone, very sad in his ab- sence, but most iocund when he returned: and when my man went from mee, the beast expressed his loue with continuall sicknesse, and after he had pined away some few dayes, died. Such another story he hath of a Crane of Maiorca, that loved a Spainiard, that would walke any way with him, and in his absence would seeke about for him, and make a noise that he might heare her, and knocke at his doore, ° and when he tooke his last farewell, fastished her selfe.

Such pretty pranks can Loue play with Birds, Fishes, Beasts: and if all be true that is credibly reported, with the Spirits and Diuels themselves: who are as much inamored, and dote (if I may use that word) as any other crea- ture whatsoeuer. For if those stories be true that are written of Incubus and Succubus, of Nymphes, lascivious Faunes and Satyrs, and those Heathen gods which were Diuels, of those lascivious Telchines, of whom the Platonists tell so many fables; or those familiar meetings in our dayes, and company of Witches and Diuels, there is some probability for it. I know that Biarmannus, Wierus lib. 3. cap. 19. & 24. and some others stoutly deny it, that the Diuel hath any carnall copulation with women, that the Diuell takes no pleasure in such facts, they bee meere phantasies all such relations of Incubi, Succubi, lies and tales. But Austin lib. 15. de civit. Dei doth acknowledge it, Erasmus de Lamijs, Iacobus Sprenger and his colleagues, &c. Zanchius cap. 16. l. 4. de oper. Dei. Dandinus in Arist. de Anima lib. 2. Text. 29. com. 30. Bodin lib. 2. cap. 7. and Paracelsus, a great champion of this Tenent amongst the rest, which giue many peculiar instances, and by many testimonies, proofes, and confessions, evince it. Hector Boethius in his Scottish history, hath three or foure such ex- amples, which Cardan confirms out of him lib. 16. cap. 43, of such as haue had familiar company many yeares with them, and that in the habit of men and women. Philostratus in his fourth booke de vita Apollonij, hath one me- morable in this kind, which I may not omit: of one Menippus Lycius a yong man of 25 yeares of age, that going betwixt Cenchreas & Corinth, met such a phantasme in the habit of a faire Gentlewoman, which taking him by the hand, carried him home to her house in the suburbs of Corinth, and told him she was a Phanician by birth, and if he would tarry with her, ° he should heare her sing and play, and drinke such wine as neuer man dranke, & no man should molest him; but shee being faire and lovely, would liue and dy with him, that was faire and lovely to behold. The young man a Philosopher otherwise, staid and discreet, and able to moderate his passions, though not this of loue, staid with her a while with great content, and at last married her, to whose wed- ding

ding amongst other gueſts came *Apollonius*, who by ſome probable conie-
 ctures found her out to be a Serpent, a *Lamia*, and that all her furniture, was
 but as *Tantalus* gold deſcribed by *Homer*, no ſubſtance but meere illuſions.
 When ſhe ſaw her ſelf deſcried, ſhe wept, and deſired *Apollonius* to be ſilent;
 but he would not be moued, and therevpon ſhe, Plate, Houſe, & all that was
 in it, vaniſhed in an inſtant: ^a many thouſands tooke notice of this fact for it was
 done in the miſt of Greece. *Sabine* in his comment on the 10th of *Ovids* *Me-*
ramorphoſis, at the tale of *Orpheus*, telleth vs of a Gentleman of *Bavaria*,
 that for many months together bewailed the loſſe of his deare wife, at
 length the Diuell in her habit came and comforted him, and told him be-
 cauſe he was ſo importunate for her, that ſhee ſhould come and liue with
 him againe, on that condition he would be new married, and neuer ſweare
 and blaſpheame as he uſed formerly to doe, for if he did, ſhe would bee gone.
 7 He vowed it, married, and liued with her. ſhe brought him children, & gover-
 ned his houſe, but was ſtill pale and ſad, and ſo continued, till one day falling out
 with him, he fell a ſwearing, ſhe vaniſhed therevpon, and was never after ſeene.
 2 This I haue heard, ſaith *Sabine* from perſons of good credit, which told mee that
 the Duke of *Bavaria* told it for a certainty to the Duke of *Saxony*. One more I
 will relate out of *Florilegus*, an honeſt hiſtorian of our nation, becauſe hee
 telleth it ſo confidently, as a thing in thoſe dayes talked of all ouer *Europe*.
 A young Gentleman of *Rome* the ſame day that he was married, after din-
 ner with the Bride and his friends went a walking into the fields, & towards
 evening to the Tennis Court to recreate himſelfe; whiſt hee plaied, hee put
 his ring vpon the finger of *Venus* ſtatue, which was thereby made in braſſe;
 after he had ſufficiently plaied, and now made an ende of his ſport, hee came
 to fetch his ring, but *Venus* had bowed her finger in, and hee could not get it
 off. Wherevpon loath to make his company tarry at the preſent, there left it
 intending to fetch it the next day, or at ſome more convenient time, & went
 thence to ſupper, and ſo to bed. In the night when hee ſhould come to per-
 forme thoſe nuptiall rites, *Venus* ſteps betweene him and his wife (vniſeene,
 vniſelt of her) and told him that ſhe was his wife, and that hee had betroathed
 himſelfe vnto her by that ring, which he put vpon her finger; ſhee troubled
 him for ſome following nights. Hee not knowing how to helpe himſelfe,
 made his moane to one *Palumbus*, a learned Magician in thoſe dayes,
 who gaue him a letter, & bid him at ſuch a time of the night, in ſuch a croſſe
 way at the townes end, where old *Saturne* would paſſe by with his aſſociats,
 in proceſſion, as commonly he did, deliuer that ſcript with his own hands to
Saturne himſelfe: the yong man of a bold ſpirit, accordingly did it, & when
 the old Fiend had read it, he called *Venus* to him, which rode before him, and
 commanded her to deliuer his ring, which forthwith ſhe did, and ſo the Gen-
 tleman was freed. Many ſuch ^a ſtorie I find in ſeueral Authors to confirme
 this which I haue ſaid; and though many be againſt it, yet I for my part, will
 ſubſcribe to *Lactantiuſ* lib. 1. cap. 15. ^b God ſent Angels to the tuition of men,
 but whiſt they liued amongſt vs, that miſchieuous all-commander of the Earth,
 & hote in luſt, enticed them by little & little to this vice, & deſiled them with
 the company of women: And to *Anaxagoras* de reſurrect. ^c Many of thoſe ſpiri-
 twall bodies, overcome by the loue of maiſdes, and luſt, failed, of whom thoſe were
 borne we call Gyants. *Iuſtin Martyr*, *Clemens Alexandrinuſ*, *Sulpitiuſ Severuſ*,

^a Multi factum
 hoc cognovēre,
 quod in media
 Grecia geſſu ſit

¹ Rem curans
 domesticam, ut
 ante, eperit ali-
 quot liberos, ſem-
 per tomen triſtis
 & pallida.
² Hec audivi &
 multis fide dig-
 nis, qui aſſere-
 vabant Ducem
 Bavarie eadem
 retuliſſe Duci
 Saxonie pro ve-
 ris.

^a Fabula Da-
 marati & Ari-
 ſtonis in Hero-
 doto lib. 6. evato.
^b Deus angelos
 miſit ad tutelam
 cultumq; generis
 humani, ſed il-
 los cum homini-
 bus commorava-
 tes, dominator
 ille terraſ ſalaciſ-
 ſimus paulatim
 ad vitia pellexit;
 & mulierum
 congreſſibus in-
 quinvit.

^c Quidam ex
 illo capti ſunt a-
 more virginum,
 & libidine viſſi
 deſecerunt, ex
 quibus gigantes
 qui vocantur,
 nati ſunt.

^d Pererius in
 Gen. lib. 3. cap. 6
 ver. 1. Tanc. & t.

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Physiologiae Stoicorum lib. 1. cap. 20. Si spiritus unde semen est. et exempla turbant nos, mulierum quotidianae confessiones de missione amnes afferunt, et sunt in hac urbe Lovanii exempla. Et nam dixero, non opinari me alio retro aeo tantam copiam Satyrorum, et salacium istorum Geniorum se ostendisse, quantum nunc quotidianae narrationes, et iudiciales sententiae proferunt.

Eusebius, &c. to this sense make a twofold fall of Angels, one from the beginning of the World, another a little before the deluge, as *Moses* teacheth vs, openly professing that these *Genij* can beget, and haue carnall copulation with women. Many Diuines stiffely contradict this, but I will conclude with *Lipsius*, that since examples, testimonies, and confessions of those unhappy women are so manifest on the other side, and many euen in this our town of *Lovan*, that it is likely to be so. One thing I will adde, that I suppose that in no age past, I know not by what destiny of this unhappy time, there haue neuer appeared or shewed themselves so many lecherous diuels, Satyrs and Genij, as in this of ours, as appeares by the daily narrations, and iudiciall sentences vpon Record. Reade more of this question in *Austin de ciuit. Dei lib. 1. s. vietus lib. 3. de praestig. Dam. Giraldus Cambrensis Itinerar. Camb. lib. 1. Matheus malefic. quest. 5. part. 1. Iacobus Rueffus lib. 5. cap. 6. fol. 54. Godelman. lib. 2. cap. 4. Erasmus, Storz. Cicogna l. 3. cap. 3. Delrio, Lipsius, Bodine demonol. lib. 2. cap. 7. Pererius in Gen. lib. 8. in 6. cap. ver. 2. King JAMES &c.*

SUBSECT. 2.

How loue tyrannizeth ouer men. Loue or Heroicall melancholy, his definition, parts affected.

YOU haue heard how this tyrant Loue rageth amongst brute beasts & spirits, now let vs consider what passions it causeth amongst men.

Improbe amor quid non mortalia pectora cogis?

Horresco referens,

I am almost afraid to relate, amazed, and ashamed, it hath wrought such stupend and prodigious effects, such foule offences. Loue indeed (I may not deny) first vnited Provinces, built Cities, and by a perpetuall generation, preserues mankind, propagates the Church; but if it rage, it is no more Loue, but burning lust, a disease, Phrensie, Madnesse, Hell. *Est orcus ille, vis est immedicabilis, est rabies insana.* It subverts kingdomes, ouerthrowes cities, townes, families, & makes a massacre of men; thunder and lightning, warres, fires, plagues, haue not done that mischiefe to mankind, as this burning lust, this brutish passion. Let *Sodome* and *Gomorrha*, *Troia*, and I know not how many Cities, beare record, & saith ante *Helenam*, &c. Besides those daily monomachies, murders, effusion of blood, rapes, riot and immoderate expence, to satisfie their lusts, beggary, shame, losse, torture, punishment, disgrace, loathsome diseases that proceed from thence, worse then calentures and pestilent feauers, those often Gouts, Pox, combustions, &c. which torment the body, that feral melancholy, which crucifies the Soule in this life, and euerlastingly torments in the world to come.

Notwithstanding, they know these and many such miseries, threats, tortures will surely come vpon them, rewards, exhortations, *contra*, yet either out of their owne weaknesse, a depraued nature, or loues tyranny, which so furiously rageth, they suffer themselves to be led like an oxe to the slaughter *Facilis descensus Auerni*, they goe downe headlong to their owne perdition, they will commit folly with beasts, men leaning the naturall use of women, as *Paul* saith, burned in lust one towards another, and man with man wrought filthinesse,

Semi-

Virg. For it is a shame to speake of those things which are done of them in secret. Eph. 5. 12. Plutarch amator. lib.

1 Rom. 1. 17.

Semiramis equo, Pasiphae tauro, Aristo Ephesus asinae se commiscuit, Fulvius equae, alij canibus, capris, &c. unde monstra nascuntur aliquandò, Centauri, Sylvari, & ad terrorem hominum prodigiosa spectra: Nec cum brutis, sed ipsis hominibus rem habent, quòd peccatum Sodomia vulgò dicitur; & frequens olim vitium apud Orientales illos fuit, Græcos nimirum, Italos, Afros, Asianos. Hercules Hylam habuit, Policletum, Dionem, Perythoonta, Abderum & Phryga, alij & Euristum ab Hercule amatum tradunt. Socrates pulchrorum Adolescentum causa frequens Gymnasium obibat, flagitiosoque spectaculo pascebat oculos, quòd & Philebus & Phaedon, Riales, Charmides & reliqui Platonis Dialogi, satis superq; testatum faciunt: quòd verò Alcibiades de eodem Socrate loquatur, lubens conticesco, sed & abhorreo; tantum incitamentum præbent libidini. At hunc perstrinxit Theodoretus lib. de curat. græc. affect. cap. ultimo. Quin & ipse Plato suum demiratur Agathionem, Xenophon Cliniam, Virgilius Alexin, Anacreon Bathyllam; Quod autem de Nerone, Claudio, cæterorumq; portentosa libidine memoriæ proditum, mallem à Petronio, Suetonio, cæterisq; peratis, quandò omnem fidem excedant, quàm à me expectetis: sed vetera querimur. Apud Asianos, Turcas, Italos, nunquàm frequentius hoc, quàm hodierno die vitium; officinae horum alicubi apud Turcas, & frequentes querelæ, etiam inter ipsos coniuges hac de re, quæ virorum concubitum illicitum calceo in oppositam partem verso magistratui indicant; nullum apud Italos familiare magis peccatum, qui & post Lucianum & Tatium, scriptis voluminibus defendunt. Iohannes de la Casa Beneventinus Episcopus divinum opus vocat, suave scelus, adeòq; iactat se non alia usum Venere. Nihil usitatus apud monachos, Cardinales, sacrificulos, etiam p. furor hic ad mortem, ad insaniam. Angelus Politianus, ob pueri amorem, violentas sibi manus infecit. Et horrendum sanè dictu, quantum apud nos patrum memoriâ, scelus detestandum hoc sævierit. Quum enim Anno 1538. prudentissimus Rex Henricus Octavus, cucullatorum canobia, & sacrificorum collegia, votariorum, per venerabiles legum Doctores, Thomam Leum, Richardum Laytonum visitari fecerat &c. tanto numero reperti sunt apud eos scortatores, cinædi, ganeones, padicones, puerarii, pederasta, Sodomita, (Balci verbis utor) Ganymedes, &c. ut in unoquoq; eorum novam credideris Gomorrhæam. Sed vide si lubet eorundem Catalogum apud Baleum, puellæ (inquit) in lectis dormire non poterant ob fratres necromanticos. Hæc si apud votarios, monachos, sanctos scilicet homunciones, quid in foro, quid in aulâ factū susciperis? quid apud nobiles, quid inter fornice, quam non fæditatem, quam non spurcitiam? Sileo interim turpes illas, & ne nominandas quidem monachorum masturbaciones, Tribades illas mulierculas, quæ se invicem fricant, & præter Eunuchos etiam ad Venerem explendam, artificiosa illa veretra habent. Et quod magis mirere foemina foeminam Constantinopoli non ita pridem deperijt, aulâ rem planè incredibilem, mutato cultu mentita virum denuptiis sermonem init, & brevi nupta est: sed authorem ipsum consule Busbequium. Omitto salinarios illos Aegyptiacos, qui cum formosarum cadaveribus concumbunt, & eorum vesanam libidinem, qui etiam Idola & imagines depereunt. Nota est fabula Pigmalionis apud Ovidium; Mundi & Parisii apud Agesippum belli Ind. lib. 2. cap. 4. Pontius Casaris legatus referente Plinio lib. 35. cap. 3. quem suspicor eum esse qui Christum crucifixit, picturis Calanthe & Helene adeò libidine incensus, ut tollere eas vellet, si natura te-

* Lilius Girg.
dus vita eius.

Pueros amore
solus Philosophus
relinquendum
vult Lucianus
dial. Amorum.

m Busbequius.

n Achilles Tatius lib. 2.

o Lucianus

Charidemus.

p Non est hæc
mentula demens
Mart.

q Iovius Maffeo.

r Prefat. lectori
lib. de vitis pontif.

s Mercurialis
cap. de Priapismo.

t Herodotus lib.

2. Euterpe uxore

res insignium

virorum non statim

vita funestas

tradunt condi-

endas, ac ne ea

quidem feminas

que formosæ

sunt, sed quatri-

duo ante defun-

ctas, ne cum his

salinarij concu-

bant, &c.

Metamor. 13.

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^a Seneca de Ira,
l. ii. cap. 18.
^b Nullus est
meatus ad quem
non pateat adi-
cus impudicitie.
Clemens Alex.
pædag. lib. 3. ca. 3
^c Tom. 1. Gryllo

Et orij permisisset, alius statuam bonæ Fortune deperijt. (*Ælianus lib. 9. cap. 37.*) alius bonæ deæ, &c. Et ne qua pars probro vacet. ^a Raptus ad stupra, (quod ait ille) & ne ^b os quidem à libidine exceptum. *Helioabalus*, per omnia cava corporis libidinem recepit, *Lamprid.* vita eius. Vt verum planè sit, quod apud ^c *Plutarchum* *Gryllus* *Vlysi* obiecit. Ad hunc usq; diem apud nos neq; mas marem, neq; fœmina fœminam amavit, qualia multa apud vos memorabiles & præclari viri fecerunt, ut viles missos faciam, *Hercules* imberbem sectans socium, amicos deseruit &c. *Vestra* libidines intra suos natura fines coerceri non possunt, quin instar fluvij exundantes atrocem fœditatem, tumultum, confusio- nemq; natura gignant in re venerca, nam & capras, porcos, equos, inierunt viri & fœmina insano bestiarum amore exarserunt, unde *Minotauri*, *Centauri*, *Syl- vani*, *Sphinges* &c. Sed ne confutando doceam, nolo quem diutiùs hisce sor- dibus inquinare.

I come at last to that *Heroicall Loue*, which is proper to men and women, and is a frequent cause of melancholy, and deserues much rather to be called burning lust, then by such an honorable title. There is an honest loue I con- fesse, which is naturall, and no man liuing can auoide it. ^a Et qui vim non sen- sit amoris, aut lapis est, aut bellua: Hee is not a man, but a blocke, a very stone that hath not felt the power of it, and a rare creature to be found,

Qui nunquam vise flagravat amore puella:

for dote we either young or old, as ^b he said, and none are excepted but *Miner- va* and the *Muses*: so *Cupid* in ^c *Lucian* complaines to his mother *Venus*, that amongst all the rest, his arrowes could not pierce them. But this is a commo passion, an honest, for men to loue in the way of marriage. You know marri- age is honourable, a blessed calling, appointed by God himselfe in Paradise, it breedes true peace, tranquillity, content and happinesse, when they liue without jarring, scolding, louingly as they should doe.

^d Hor.

d Fœlices ter & amplius,

Quos irrupta tenet copula, nec ullis

Dirulsus querimonijs,

Suprema citius solvit amor die.

Thrice happy they, and more then that,

Whom bands of Loue so firmly ties,

That without brawles till death them part,

Tis vndissolu'd and neuer dies.

As *Seneca* liued with his *Paulina*, *Abraham* and *Sara*, *Orpheus* & *Euridice*, *Arria* & *Pætus*, *Artemisia* and *Mausolus*, *Rubenius Celer*, that would needes haue it ingrauen on his tombe, that hee had liued with *Ennea* his wife, 43 yeares, 8 moneths, and neuer fell out: there is no happinesse like vnto it, no loue so great as this of man and wife, no such comfort.

^e Propert.

Omnia amor magnus, sed aperto in coniuge maior.

when they loue at last as fresh as they did at first,

^f Simonides
græc.

[†] *Chara q; charo consenescit coniugi,*

as *Homer* brings

Paris kissing *Helena*, after they had been married ten yeeres, protesting with- all, that he loued her as deare as he did the first houre he was married: And in their old age when they make much of one another, and say as hee did to his wife in the Poet.

^g Ausonim.

Vxor vivamus quod viximus, & moriamur.

Ser-

*Servantes nomen sumpsimus in thalamo,
Nec ferat ulla dies ut commutemur in ævo,*

Quin tibi sim invenis, tuq; puella mihi.

Deare wife, let's live in love, & die together,

As hitherto we have in all good-will,

Let no day change or alter our affections,

But let's be yong to one another still.

Such should conjugall Love be, still the same, and as they are one flesh, so should they be of one mind, one consent, † *Geryon-like, corpus coalescere in unum*, will and nill the same. A good wife, according to *Plutarch*, should be like a looking-glasse, to represent her husbands face and passion: If hee be merry, she should be merry: if he smile, she should smile; if he looke sad, she should participate of his sorrow, and beare a part with him, & so they should continue in mutuall love one towards another.

† *Geryon amicitie symbolum.*

* *Et me ab amore tuo deducet nulla senectus,*

Sive ego Tithonus, sive ego Nestor ero.

No age shall part my love from thee sweet wife,

Though I live *Nestor* or *Tithonus* life.

* *Propertius lib.2.*

Tis an happy state this indeed, when the fountaine is blessed (saith *Solomon Prov. 5.17*) and he rejoyceth with the wife of his youth, and she is to him as the loving Hinde, and pleasant Roe, and he delights in her continually. But this love of ours is immoderate, inordinate, and not to be comprehended in any bounds. It will not containe it selfe within the vnion of marriage, or apply it selfe to one object, but it is a wandring extravagant, a domineering, a boundlesse, an irrefragable passion: sometimes this burning lust rageth after marriage, and then it is properly called *Jealousie*; sometimes before, and then it is called *Heroicall melancholy*, it extends sometimes to corriuals, sometimes to rapes, incests, murders, &c. and is confined within no termes, of yeares, sexe, or whatsoeuer else. Some furiously rage before they come to discretion or age. † *Quartella* in *Petronius*, neuer remembred she was a maide; and the wife of *Bath* in *Chaucer* cracks,

† *Iunonem beatam iratam, si unquam meminim me virginem fuisse.*

Infans enim paribus inquinatus sum, et subinde maioribus me applicui, donec ad ætatem perveni, ut nilo vitulum, inde taurum &c.

† *Parnodidasc. dial. Lat. Interp. Casp. Barthio ex Ital.*

* *Anglico scriptur. concentu. Epictetus cap. 42. mulieres stim ab anno 14. movere incipiunt, &c. atretiani se finunt & exponunt. De vinus Lemnius. Lib.3. fol. 128. Catullus.*

Since I was twelve yeares old belive,

Husbands at *Kirke* dooze had I live.

† *Aratines* *Lucretia* sold her maiden-head a thousand times, before shee was 24 yeares of age, plus millies vendideram virginitatem, &c. *neg. te celabo, non deerant qui ut integram ambirent.* *Rahab* the harlot began to be a professed queane at ten yeares of age, and was but fiftene when she hid the spies, as

* *Hugh Broughton* proues, & to whom *Serrarius* the *Iesuite*, *quæst. 6. in cap. 2. Josue*, subscribes. Generally women begin *pubescere* as they call it, & at 14 yeares old, and then they doe offer themselves, and some plainly rage. † *Leo Afer* saith, that in *Affricke* a man shall scarce finde a maide at 14 yeares of age, they are so forward, and many amongst vs after they come into the teenes, doe not live without husbands, but linger. What pranks in this kind the middle age hath plaid, is not to be recorded.

Si mihi sint centum lingua, sint orag, centum. no tongue can sufficiently declare, every story is full of men and womens vnfatiable lust, *Nero's*, *Heliogabali*, *Bonosi*, * *Calius Amphileum* sed *Quintius Amphelinam* depereant, &c. They ney after other mens wiues (as *Jeremy*, *cap. 5. 8.* complaineth)

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like fed horses, or range like so many towne Bulls, as many of our great ones doe. Of womens vnnaturall, ^h vnvariable lust, what countrey, what Village doth not complaine. — *Sed amor, sed effrenata libido,*

Quid castum in terris intentatumq; reliquit?

What breach of vowes, and othes, fury, dotage, madnesse, might I reckon vp? Yet this is more tollerable in youth, & such as are yet in their hot blood; but for an old soole to dote, to see an old leacher, what more odious, what can be more absurd? and yet what so common? Who so furious?

† *Amare ea atate si oeperint, multo insanians acris,*

Some dote more then then euer they did in their youth. How many decrepite, hoarie, harsh, writhen, burstenbelled & crooked, toothlesse, bald, blear-eyed, impotent, rotten old men shall you see flickering still in every place.

One gets him a young wife, another a Curtisan, and when hee can scarce lift his legge ouer a sill, and hath one foot already in *Charons* boat, when he hath the trembling in his ioynts, the gout in his feet; a perpetuall rheume in his head, a *continue cough*, * *his sight fayles him, thicke of hearing, his breath*

stinkes, and all his moisture dryed vp and gone, and cannot spit from him; a very childe againe that cannot dresse himselfe, or cut his owne meat, yet hee

will be dreaming of, and homing after wenches, what can be more vnseemly? Worse it is in women then in men, when she is *atate declinui, diu vidua, mater olim, parum decorè matrimonium sequi videtur*, an old widdowe, a mother

so long since († in *Plinies* opinion) she doth very vnseemly seeke to marry, yet whilst she is ⁱ so old a crone, a beldame, she can neither see, nor heare, go

nor stand, a meere ^k carcasse, a witch, and can scarce feele; yet shee catterwaules, and must haue a stallion, a Champion, she must & wil marry againe,

& betroth herselfe to some young man, ^l that hates to looke on, but for her goods, abhorres the sight of her, to the preiudice of her good name, her own vndoing, grieve of her friends, and ruine of her children.

But to enlarge or illustrate this power and effects of loue, is to set a candle in the Sunne. ^m It rageth amongst all sorts and conditions of men, yet is most evident amongst such as are young and lusty, in the flowre of their

yeeres, nobly descended, high fedd, and such as liue idle and at ease, and for that cause (which our Diuines call burning lust) this ⁿ *ferinus insanus amor*,

this mad and beastly passion, as I haue said, is called by our Physitians, *Heroicall loue*, and a more honourable title put vpon it, *Amor nobilis*, as ^o *Savonarola*

stiles it, because noble men make a common practise of it, and are so commonly affected with it. *Auicenna lib. 3. Pen. 1. tract. 4. cap. 23.* calleth this

passion *ilishi*, and ^p defines it to be a disease or melancholy vexation, or anguish of mind, in which a man continually meditates of the beauty, gesture, manners of

his *Mistris*, and troubles himselfe about it: desiring (as *Savonarola* addes) with all intention and eagernes of mind, to compassse or inioy her, ^q as commonly

Hunters trouble themselves about their sports, conetous their gold and goods, so is he tormented still about his *Mistris*. *Arnoldus Villanovanus* in his booke of

Heroicall loue, defines it, ^r a continuall cogitation of that which he desires, with a confidence or hope of compassing it: which definition his Commentator ca-

uils at. For continuall cogitation is not the *genus*, but a symptome of loue,

† *Animi forte accidens quo quis rem habere nimia auiditate concupiscit, ut ludos venatores, aurum & opes avari.*

‡ *Afflicta cogitatio super rem desideratam, cum confidentia obtinendi, ut spe apprehensum delectabile, &c.*

^a De mulierum inexhausta libidine luxuq; insatiabili omnes aequae regiones conqueri posse existimo; Steph. † Plautus.

^b Oculi caligant aures graviter audiunt, capilli fluunt, cutis arefcit, status olet, insis &c. Cyprian.

† Lib. 8. epist. Ruffinus.

ⁱ Hiatq; carpis inter avidas nates podex.

^k Cadaverosa aded ut ab inferis reversa videri possit, vult adhuc catullire.

^l Nam & matrimonii est despectum senium. Aeneas Silvius

^m Quid toto terrarum orbe communis? que civitas, quod oppidum, que familia vacat a-

maiorum exemplis? Aeneas Silvius. quis trigesimum annum natus nullum a-

moris causa peregit insigne facies, ego de me facio coniectu-

ram quem amor in mille pericula misit.

ⁿ Forestius, Plauto.

^o Pract. maior. Tract. 6. cap. 1.

Rub. 11 de egritudine. cap. quod his multum contingat

^p Hec egritudo est sollicitudo melancholica in qua homo applicat sibi continuam cogitationem super pul-

chritudine ipsius quam amat, ge-

stium, morum.

‡ Afflicta cogitatio super rem desideratam, cum confidentia obtinendi, ut spe apprehensum delectabile, &c.

we continually thinke of that which wee hate and abhorre, as well as that which we loue, and many things wee couet and desire, without all hope of attaining. *Carolus à Lorme* in his questions makes a doubt, *An amor sit morbus*, whether this Heroicall loue be a disease: *Arnoldus* will haue it improperly so called, and a disease rather of the body, then of the mind, *Tully* in his *Tusculanes* defines it a furious disease of the minde. *Plato* madnesse it selfe, *Ficinus* his *Commentator* cap. 12. a species of madnesse, but *Rhases* a melancholy passion, and most Physitians make it a species, or kinde of melancholy (as will appeare by the Symptomes) & treat of it apart: whom I meane to imitate, and to discusse it in all its kindes, to examine its seuerall causes, to shew its symptomes, prognostickes, effects, that so it may bee with more facility cured.

The part affected in the meane time as *Arnoldus* supposeth, is the former part of the head for want of moisture, which his commentator reiects. *Largius* med. epist. lib. 1. cap. 24. will haue this passion sited in the liuer, and to keep residence in the heart, to proceed first from the eyes so carried by our spirits, & kindled with imagination in the liuer and heart, cogit amare iecur, as the saying is. *Medium* scriit per epar, as *Cupid* in *Anacreon*, For that cause belike *Homer* faines, that *Tityus* liuer (who was enamored on *Larona*) was still gnawed by two vultures day and night in hell, & For that young mens bowels that are enamored, are so continually tormented by loue. *Gordonius* cap. 2. part. 2. will haue the testicles an immediate subiect or cause, the liuer an Antecedent. But properly it is a passion of the braine, as all other melancholy, by reason of corrupt imagination, and so doth *Iason Pratenfis*, cap. 19. de morb. cerebri, (who writes copiously of this Eroticall loue) place & reckon it amongst the affections of the braine. *Melancthon* de anima confutes those that put the liuer a part affected, and *Guianerius* Tract. 15. cap. 13. & 17. though many put all the affections in the heart, referres it to the braine. *Ficinus* cap. 7. in *Convivium* *Platonis*, will haue the blood to be the part affected. *Io. Frietagus* cap. 14. noct. med. supposeth all foure affected, heart, liuer, braine, blood, but the maior part concurre vpon the braine, tis imaginatio laesa, and both imagination and reason are misaffected, because of his corrupt iudgement, and continuall meditation of that which he desires, he may truly be said to be melancholy. If it be violent, or his disease inveterate, as I haue determined in the precedent partitions, both imagination & reason are misaffected, first one, then the other.

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Morbus corporis potius quam animi.

Amor est passio melancholica
Ob calefactionem spirituum pars anterior capitis laborat, ob consumptionem humiditatis.

Affectus animi concupiscibilis a desiderio rei amatae per oculos in mente recepto, spiritus in corde & iecore incendens.

Odyss. & metamor. 4. Ovid. Quod talem rati nisi inam in adolescentum visceribus amor faciat inextinguibilem.

Testiculi quondam causam continentiam, epar antecedentem possunt esse subiectum.

Proprie passio cerebri est ob corruptam imaginationem.

Cap. de affectibus.

Est in sanguine melancholico huiusmodi aestus.

Est corruptio imaginativae & estimativae facultatis, ob quam amfortiter affixam corruptum.

tumq; iudicium, ut semper de eo cogitet, ideoq; recte melancholicus appellatur. Concupiscentia vehemens ex corrupto iudicio estimativae virtutis.

MEMB. 3. SUBSCT. 1.

Causes of Heroicall Love, Temperature, full Diet,

Idleness, Place, Climat, &c.

Of all causes the most remote are starres. *Ficinus* cap. 19. saith they are most prone to this burning lust, that have *Venus* in *Leo* in their Horoscope, or that the *Moone* and *Venus* be mutually aspected, or such

Comment. in convivium

Platonis. Inveniantur cibus quibus nascentibus Venus fuerit in Leone, vel Luna Venerem vehementer aspererat, & qui eadem complexionis sunt praediti.

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¶ Plerumq; a-
matores sunt, &
si femine mere-
trices, lib. de au-
diend. Poet.

as be of *Venus* complexion. & *Plutarch* interprets Astrologically that tale of *Mars* and *Venus*, in whose genitures *Mars* and *Venus* are in conjunction, they are commonly lasciuious, & if women, queanes, as the good wife of *Bath* confessed in *Chaucer*.

I followed aye mine inclination,
By vertue of my constellation.

Aptiores ad masculinam venerem sunt quorum genesi *Venus* est in signo masculino, & in *Saturni* finibus aut oppositione, &c. *Protolomeus* in quadripart. plura de his & specialia habet Aphorismata, longo proculdubio vsu confirmata, & ab experientia multâ perfecta, inquit commentator eius *Cardanus*. *Chiromantici* ex cingulo *Veneris* plerumq; coniecturam faciunt, & morte *Veneris*, de quorum decretis, *Taisnerum*, *Johan. de Indagine*, *Goclenium*, cæteroq; si lubet, inspicias. Physicians coniecture wholly from the temperature and complexion, *Phlegmatick* persons are seldome taken according to *Ficinus Comment. cap. 9.* naturally melancholy lesse then they, but once taken they are neuer freed, though most are of opinion flatuous or hypochondriacall melancholy are most subiect of all others to this infirmitie. *Valescus* assigns their strong imagination for a cause, *Bodine* abundance of winde. Sanguine are soone caught, young folkes most apt to loue, & by their good wills faith *Lucian*, would haue a bout with every one they see: the colts evil is common to all complexions. *Theomestus* a young & lusty gallant acknowledged (in the * said Author) all this to be verified in him. I am so amorously giuen, & you may sooner number the sea sands, and snowe falling from the skies, then my severall loues. *Cupid* hath shot all his arrowes at me, I am deluded with severall desires, one loue succeeds another, and that so soone, that before one is ended, I beginne with a second, she that is last is still fairest, and shee that's present pleaseth me most: as an *Hydra's* head my loues increase, no *Iolaus* can helpe mee. Mine eyes are so moist a refuge & sanctuary of loue, that they draw all beauties to them, and are neuer satisfied. I am in a doubt what fury of *Venus* this should be: Alas, how haue I offended her so to vex me, what *Hippolitus* am I? Another in * *Anacreon* confesseth that he had twenty sweet-hearts in *Athens* at once, fifteene at *Corinth*, as many at *Thebes*, at *Lesbos*, and at *Rhodes*, twice as many in *Ionis*, thrice in *Caria*, 20000 in all: or in a word, οὐκ ἔλλα πάλιν, &c.

¶ *Citius maris fluctus & nines celo delabentes numeraris quam amores meos.*
Alii amores alii succedunt, ac priusquam desinant priores incipiunt sequentes.
Adeo humidis oculis meus inhabitat Asylus, omnem formam ad se rapiens, ut nullâ satietate expleatur, quamvis hac ira veneris, &c.

Num. 32.

*Folia arborum omnium si
Nōsti referre cuncta,
Aut computare arenas
In aqore vniuerso,
Solum meorum amorum*

*Te fecero logistam.
Can't count the leaues in May,
Or sands ith' Ocean Sea,*

Then count my loues I pray.

His eyes are like a ballance, apt to propend every way, and to bee wayed downe with every wenches lookes, his heart a wethercocke, his affection tinder, which every sweet smile, or mistris favour sets on fire. *Guianerius* trac. 15. cap. 14. referres all this to the hot temperature of the testicles, such as are very spermaticke and full of seed, for which cause these young men, that are strong set, of able bodies, are so subiect to it. *Hercules de Saxonia*, hath the same

¶ *Qui calidum testiculorum crispum habent, &c.*

same words in effect. But most part, I say, such are aptest to loue that are young and lusty, liue at ease, staul-fed, free from cares, Idle and solitary persons. ^k *Mens erit apta capiti tum quum latissima rerum,*

Vt seges in pingui luxuriabit humo.

The minde is apt to lust, and hot or cold,

As corne luxuriates in a better molde.

The place it selfe makes much wherein we liue, the clime, ayre, & discipline if they concurre. In our *Misnia*, saith *Galen*, neere to *Pergamus*, thou shalt scarce finde an adulterer, but many at *Rome*, by reason of the delights of the place. It was that plenty of all things, which made *Corinth* so infamous of old, and the opportunity of the place to entertaine all forraigne commers, every day strangers came in, at each gate, from all quarters. In that one temple of *Venus* 1000 whores did prostitute themselves, as *Strabo* writes, beside *Lais* and the rest of better note: All nations resorted thither, as to a schoole of *Venus*. All hot and Southerne Countries are prone to lust, and farre more incontinent, then those that liue in the North, as *Bodinus* discourseth at large *Method. hist. cap. 5. Molles Asiatici*, so are *Turkes*, *Greekes*, *Spaniards*, *Italians*, and all that latitude: and in those Countries, such as are more fruitfull, plentifull, and delitious, as *Valence* in *Spaine*, *Capua* in *Italy*, (which *Haniballs* souldiers can witness) *Canopus* in *Egypt*, *Sibarys*, *Baia*, ¹ *Cyprus*, *Lampsacus*. In *Naples*, the fruits of the soyle and pleasant ayre enervate their bodies, and alter constitutions: In somuch, that *Florus* calls it *Certamen Bacchi*, & *Veneris*, and ^{*} *Foliot* admires it. In *Italy* and *Spaine*, they haue their stewes in every great City, as in *Rome*, *Venice*, *Florence*: which as some say, hath 90000 inhabitants, of which 10000 are Curtizans, and yet for all this, every Gentleman almost hath a peculiar mistris, fornications, adulteries, are no where so commo: how should a man liue honest amongst so many provocations? Now if youth, greatnesse, liberty I meane, and that impunity of sinne, which Princes take vnto themselves in this kinde shall meet, what a gappe must it needs open to all manner of vice. For commonly Princes and great men make no scruple at all of such matters, but with that whore in *Spartian*: quicquid libet licet, they thinke they may doe what they list, professe it publikely, and rather bragge of it with *Proculus* (that writ to a friend of his in *Rome*, what famous exploits he had done in that kinde) then any way be abashed at it. ^o *Nicholas Saunders* relates of *Henry the 8th* (I knowe not how truly) *Quod paucas vidit pulchriores quas non concupierit, & paucissimas non concupierit, quas non violarit*, He saw few faire maids that he did not desire, & desired fewe whom hee did not enioy; nothing so familiar amongst them, 'tis most of their businesse: *Sardanapalus*, *Messalina*, and *Ione* of *Naples*, are not comparable to *P* meaner men and women. *Solomon* of old had a thousand Concubines, *Assuerus* his Eunuches, and keepers, *Nero* his *Tigellinus* Panders and Bauds, the *Turkes*, *Musconites*, *Xeriffes* of *Barbary*, and *Persian Sophies*, are no whit inferiour to them in our times. *Delectus sit omnium puellarum toto regno forma prestantiorum* (saith *Iovius*) *pro imperatore, & quas ille linguat, nobiles habent*, They muster vp wenches as we doe souldiers, & haue their choice of all the beauties their countries can afford, and yet all this cannot keepe them from adultery, incest, Sodomy, & such prodigious lusts. We may conclude, that if they be young, fortunate, & rich, high fed, & idle with-

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^k *Ouid. de arte.*

[†] *Gerbelius descript. Gracie. Rerum omnium affluentia & locum opportunitas. nullo no die hospites in portas adveniebant. Temple Veneris mille meretrices se prostituabant.*

¹ *Tota Cypri insula delictis incumbit, & ob id tantum luxurie dedita ut sit olim Veneris sacra. Ortelius, Lampsacus olim Priaposacer ob vinum generosum, & loci delicias. Idem.*

^m *Agr. Neapolitani delectatio, elegantia, amenitas, vix intra modum humanum consistere videtur, unde &c. Leand. Albertus in Campania.*

ⁿ *Lib. de land. urb. Neap. n Lampsidius Quod decem noctibus centum virgines fecisset mulieres.*

^o *Vna eius.*

^p *If they containe themselves many times 'tis not virtutis amore, non deest voluntas sed facultas.*

^q *In Musconia.*

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all, it is almost impossible they should liue honest, or not rage, and precipitate themselves into all those inconveniences of burning lust.

^a Catullus ad
Lesbiam.

^z Otium & reges prius & beatas
Perdidit urbes.

Idleness ouerthrowes all, *Vacuo pectore regnat amor*, loue tyrannizeth in an idle person. If thou hast nothing to doe

^c Hor.

^c Polit. 8. num.

28. *Ut nuptia
ad ignem, sic a-
mor ad illos qui
torpescunt otio.*

[†] Pausanias Ac-
ticius lib. 1. Ce-
phalus egregia
forme iuuenis
ab aurora rap-
tus, quod cibus a-
more capta ef-
fet.

^u In amatorio.

^z Principes ple-
rumq; ob licen-
tiam & aduul-
entiam diuitia-
rum, istam passi-
onem solent in-
currere.

[†] Amor otiose
cura est sollicitu-
dinis.

^z Ardentius ap-
petit, qui otiosam
vitam agit, &
communiter in-
currit hec passio
solitarius delici-
ose viuentes, in-
continentes, re-
ligiosos &c.

[†] Vicia parant
animos Veneri-

^z Sed nihil eru-
ce faciunt, bul-
bis, salaces.

*Improba nec
prosit iam satu-
reia tibi Ouid.*

^a Petronius Cu-
raui me mox
cibus validiori-
bus &c.

^b Vix ille apud
Scenphum, qui
post potionem
uxorem & qua-
tuor ancillas
proximo cubicu-
lo cubaret,
compressit.

^c Pers Sat 3.
d Stracides.

*Nox, & amor,
vinumq; n. bul-
moderabile sua-
mens.*

[†] *Invidia vel amore miser torqueret.*

Thou shalt be
hailed a-pieces with envy, lust, some passion or other. *Homines nihil a-
gendo, male agere discunt*; 'Tis *Aristotles* Simile, ^c as a match or touchwood
takes fire, so doth an idle person loue.

Queritur Agistius quare sit factus adulter, &c. why was *Agistius* a whoremaster? You need not aske a reason of it. *Ismedora* stole *Baccho*, a woman a man, as *Aurora* did *Cephalus*: No marvaile, saith ^u *Plutarch*, *Luxurians opibus more hominum mulier agit*: She was rich, and doth but as men doe in that case, as *Iupiter* did by *Europa*, *Neptune* by *Amymone*. The Poets therefore did well to faine all Shepherdes Louers, to giue themselves to songs and dalliances, because they liued such idle liues. For Loue as [†] *Seneca* describes it, *Iuuent agnitus, luxa nutritur, feris alitur, otioq; inter letæ fortune bona*. Youth begets it, riot maintaines it, idleness nourisheth it &c. which makes *Gordonius* the Physitian cap. 20. part. 2. call this disease the proper passion of nobility. Now if a weake iudgement and a strong passion shall concur, how, saith *Hercules de Saxonia*, shal they resist? *Sauanarola* appropriates it almost to ^z *Monkes, Friars, and religious persons because they liue solitary, fare well, and doe nothing*: and well he may, for how should they otherwise choose?

Diet alone is able to cause it: A rare thing to see a yong man or woman, that liues idly, and fares well, of what condition soeuer, not to bee in loue. *Vbiq; securitas, ibi libido dominatur*, lust & security domineere together, as ^c *Hierome* auereth. All which the wife of *Bath* in *Chancer* iustifies,

For all too sick, as cold engend'reth haile,
A liquozith tongue must haue a liquozith taile.

Especially if they shall further it by choice Diet, as many times they doe, feed liberally, and by their good-will, eate nothing els but lasciuious meates, [†] *Vinum imprimis generosum, legumen, fabas, radices omnium generum benè conditas, & largo pipere asperfas, carduos hortulanos, lactucas, & erucas, rapas, porros, cæpas, nucem piceam, amygdalas dulces, electuaria, syrpos, succos, cochleas, conchas, pisces optimè præparatos, aviculas, testiculos animalium, ova, condimenta diversorum generum; molles lectos, pulvinaria, &c.* Et quicquid ferè medici impotentia rei veneræ laboranti præscribunt, hoc quasi diascyrtion habent in delitiis, & his dapes multò delicatiores; multum, exquisitas & exoticas fruges, aromata, placentas, expressos succos multis ferculis variatos, ipsumq; vinum suauitate vincentes, & quicquid culina, pharmacopæa, aut quæq; ferè officina subministrare possit. Et hoc plerumq; victu quum se ganeones infarciant, ^a ut ille ob *Creseida* suam, se bulbis & cochleis curauit, etiam ad *Venerem* se parent, & ad hanc palæstram se exercent, qui fieri possit, ut non miserè depercant, ^b ut non penitus insaniant? *Æstus venter citò despuit in libidinem*. *Hieronymus* ait. ^c *Post prandia, Callyroen da, quis enim continere se potest?* ^d *Luxuriosa res vinum, fomentum libidinis*

vocat

vocat Augustinus. Non Aetna, non Vesuvius tantis ardoribus astuant, ac iuveniles medullae vino plena, addit Hieronymus: unde ob optimum vinum Lamfatus olim Priapo sacer: Et haec si vinum simplex, & per se sumptum praestare possit, quam non insaniam, quem non furorem à cæteris expectemus? f Go-
mesius salem enumerat inter ea, quæ intempestivam libidinem provocare solent. Et salaciores fieri feminas ob esum salis contendit. Venerem ideo dicunt ab Oceano ortam, & fæt a mater Salacea Oceani coniux, verbumq; fortasse salax à sale effluxit. Mala Bacchica tantum olim in amoribus praevaluerunt, ut coronæ ex illis statuæ Bacchi ponerentur. & Cubebis in vino maceratis utuntur Indi Orientales, ad Venerem excitandam, & h Surax radice Africani. Chena radix eisdem effectus habet, talisque herbæ meminit mag. nat. lib. 2. cap. 16.
† Baptista Porta ex Indiâ allatæ, cuius mentionem facit & Theophrastus. Sed infinita his similia apud Rhafin, Matthiolum, Mizaldum, cæterosque medicos occurrunt, quorum ideo mentionem feci, ne quis imperitior in hos scopulos impingat, sed pro virili tanquam Syrtes & cautes consulto effugiat.

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o Ep ad Olimpi
f De sale lib. 2.
cap. 27.

g Garcias ab
Horto aromati-
lib. 1. cap. 28.

h Surax radix
ad coitum sum-

me facit. si quis
comedat, aut in-

fusione bibat,
membrum subit-

to erigitur. Leo
Afer l. 9. cap. ult.

† Que non so-
lum edentibus,

sed & genitale
tangentibus tan-

tum valet, ut co-
ire summe dese-

derent, quoties
ferè velint, pos-

sint, alios duo-
decies profecisse,

alios ad 60 vi-
ces pervenisse
refert.

MEMB. 2. SUBSEC. 2.

Other causes of Loue Melancholy, Sight, Beautie from the
face, eyes, other parts, and how it pierceth.

Many such causes may be reckoned up, but they cannot availe, except opportunity be offered of time, and place, and those other beautifull objects, or artificiaall entisements, as kissing, conference, discourse, gestures concur, and such like lascivious provocations. Kornmannus in his booke de Lineâ Amoris, makes five degrees of lust, out of ¹ Lucian belike, which he handles in five Chapters,

Visus, Colloquium, Convictus, Oscula, Tactus.

Sight of all other, is the first step to this vnruely loue, though sometime it be prevented by relation or hearing, or rather incensed. For there bee those so apt, incredulous and facile to loue, that if they heare of a proper man or woman, they are in loue before they see them, and that meere by relation, as Achilles Tattius obserues. ^k Such is their intemperance and lust, that they are as much maimed by report, as if they saw them. Calisthenes a rich yong Gentleman of Byzance in Thrace, hearing of ¹ Leucippe Sostratus faire daughter, was farre in loue with her, and out of fame and common rumour, was so much incensed, that he would needes haue her to be his wife. And sometimes by reading they are so affected, As he in ^m Lucian confesseth of himselfe, I neuer reade that place of Panthea in Xenophon, but I am as much affected, as if I were present with her. Such persons commonly faine a kind of beauty to themselves, and so did those three Gentlewomen in ^o Balthasar Castilio, fall in loue with a yong man, whom they neuer knew, but onely heard him commended: or by reading of a Letter. for there is a grace commeth from hearing, p as a morall Philosopher informeth vs, as well as from sight, and the species of loue are receiued into the Phantasie by relation alone, † Ut cupere ab aspectu, sic velle ab auditu, both senses affect. Interdum & absentes amamus, sometimes wee loue those that are absent, saith Philostratus, & giues instance in his friend Atheno-

¹ Lucian. Tom. 4
dial. Amorum.

^k Ea enim bo-
minum intempe-

rantium libido
est, ut etiam sa-

ma adamandum
impellantur,

& audientes a-
que afficiuntur,

ac videntes.

¹ Formosam So-
strato filiam au-

diens, uxorem
cupit, & solâ il-
lius auditiõe

ardet.

^m Pulchritudi-
nem sibi ipsi con-

fingunt.

ⁿ Imagines.

Quoties de Pan-
theâ Xenophon-

is locum perle-
go, ita animo af-

fectus sum, ac si
coram intuerer.

^o De amico lib.
2 fol. 114. ris a

pleasure story,
and related at

large by him.
^p Gratia venie

ab auditu, æque
ac visu, & spe-

cies amoris in phantasiam recipiuntur sola relatione. Piccolomineus grad. 8. cap. 38. † Lipsius cent. 2. epist. 22.

Beauties en-
comions.

^a Proper.

^c Amoris pri-
mum gradum
visus habet, ut
afficiat rem a-
matam.

^e Achilles Tati-
us lib.1. Forma
telo quovis a:u-
sior ad inferen-
dum vulnus,
perq; oculos a-
matorio vulnere
aditum patefa-
ciens in animum
penetrat.

ⁿ Interiora verum
naturā, nihil
formā divinitus,
nihil angustius,
nihil preciosius,
cuius vires hinc
facile intelligunt-
ur &c.

^x S. L.

^y Bruys prob.

11. de formā.

^e Luciano.

^z Invidemus sa-
pientibus, iustis,
nisi beneficijs
assidue amorem
extorqueant, solos
formosos ama-
mus & primo
velut aspectu
benevolentia cō-
iungimur, & eos
tanquam Deos
colimus, libenti-
us iis servimus
quā aliis im-
peramus, mai-
oremq; &c.

^a Forme maie-
statem Barbari
verentur, nec a-
lii maiores quā
quos eximia for-
mā natura do-
mata est. Herod.

lib.5. Curtius.6.

^b Arist. Polit.

^b Dial. Amorum

^d 2. De magia.

Lib.2. connub.

cap.27. virgo

formosa etsi op-
pida pauper a-

bundā est dotata

^z Isocrates, plures ob formam immortalitatem adepti sunt quā ob reliquas omnes virtutes.

^z Lucian. Tom. 4. Charidem: qui pul-

chri, meritis apud Deos & apud homines honore affecti.

dorus, that lou'd a Maide at Corinth whom he neuer saw, *non oculis sed mens videt*, We see with the eyes of our vnderstanding,

But the most familiar and vsuall cause of Loue, is that which comes by sight, which conuayes those admirable rayes of Beauty and pleasing graces to the heart. *Plotinus* deriues Loue from sight, *hinc quasi deant*.

Si nescis oculi sunt in amore duces, the eyes are the harbingers of Loue, and the first step of Loue is sight, as *Lilius Giraldu* proues at large, *hist. de or. syntag. 13*, which as two sluces, let in the influence of that diuine, powerfull, soule-rauishing, and captivating Beauty: which, as *one* saith, *is sharper then any dart or needle*, wounds deeper into the heart, and opens in a gap through our eyes to that lonely wound, which pierceth the soul it selfe (*Ecclel. 18*) Through it, Loue is kindled like a fire. This amazing, confounding, admirable, amiable Beauty, *then which*, in all Natures treasures (saith *Isocrates*) there is nothing so maiestically & sacred, nothing so diuine, lonely, pretious: whose power hence may be discerned, we contemne and abhorre generally such things as are foule and vgly to behold, accompt them filthy, but loue and couet that which is faire. Tis beauty in all things, which plea- seth and allureth vs. Tis that which Painters and Orators all ayne at. *It was Beauty first that ministred occasion to Art*, to finde out the knowledge of Caruing, Painting, Building, to finde out models, perspectiues, rich furnitures, and so many rare inventions. Whitenesse in the Lilly, red in the Rose, purple in the Violet, a lustre in all things without life, the cleare light of the Moon, the bright beames of the Sunne, splendor of Gold, pure marble, sparkling Diamond, the excellent feature of the Horse, the maiesty of the Lion, the colour of Birds, Peacocks railes, the siluer scales of Fish, wee behold with singular delight and admiration. *And which is rich in plants, delightfull in flowres, wonderfull in beasts, but most glorious in men*, doth make vs affect it, & earnestly desire it, as when wee heare any sweete harmony, an eloquent tongue, see any excellent quality, curious worke of man, elaborate Art, or any thing that is exquisite, there ariseth instantly in vs a longing for the same. We loue such men but most part for comelinesse of person. *Wee envy* (saith *Isocrates*) *wise, iust, honest men, except with mutuall offices and kindnesse*, some good turne or other, they extort this loue from vs, onely faire persons wee loue at first sight, desire thei acquaintance, and adore them as so many Gods: wee had rather serue them, then command others, and account our selues the more beholding to them, the more seruice they inioyne vs. Though they be otherwise vicio- us, vn timerous: wee loue them, fauour them, and are ready to doe them any good office for their beauties sake; though they haue no other good quality beside. Many men haue beene preferred for their person alone, chosen Kings, *Saul was a goodly person and a faire*, *Maximinus* elected Emperour, &c. Beauty is a dowre of it selfe, a sufficient patrimony, an ample commen- dation an accurate epistle, as *Lucian*, *Apuleius*, *Tiraguellus*, and some o- thers conclude. *Imperio digna forma*, Beauty deserues a Kingdome, saith *Abu- lensis paradox. 2. cap. 101*. immortality; and more haue got this honour and eter- nity for their beauty, then for all other vertues besides: & such as are faire & are

worthy

worthy to be honoured of God and men. That Italian Ganymedes was therefore fetched by Iupiter into Heauen, Hephæstion deare to Alexander, Antinous to Adrian. Plato calls Beauty for that cause, a priuiledge of Nature, *Natura gaudens opus*,^a a dumbe Comment, Theophrastus, a silent fraud, still Rhetorick Carneades, that perswades without speech, a kingdome without a guard, because beautifull persons command as so many Captaines; Socrates, a tyranny, which tyrannizeth ouer tyrants themselves. And 'tis a great matter, saithⁱ Xenophon, and of which all faire persons may worthily brag, that a strong man must labour for his lining, if he will haue ought, a valiant man must fight & endanger himselfe for it, a wise man speake, shew himselfe and toyle; but a faire and beautifull person doth all with ease, hee compasseth his desire without any paines taking: God and men, Heauen and earth conspire to honour him, euery one pities him aboue others, if he be in need, and all the world is willing to doe him good. Chariclia fell into the hands of Pyrats, but when all the rest were put to the edge of the sword, she alone was preserued for her person. When all Constantinople was sacked by the Turke, Irene escaped, and was so farre from being made a Captiue with the rest, that she euen captiued the grand Signior himselfe. So did Rosamond insult ouer King Henry the Second

† ——— I was so faire an object,
Whom Fortune made my King, my loue made subiect,
He found by prooffe the priuiledge of beautye,
That it had power to countermand all duty.

It captiuates the very gods themselves,

* ——— Deus ipse deorum,

Factus ob hanc formam bos, equus, iunber, olor.

and those malis Genij are taken with it, as † I haue already proued. *Formosam barbari verentur, & ad aspectum pulchrum immanis animus mansuescit.* (Heliod. lib. 5) The Barbarians stand in awe of a faire woman, and at a beautifull aspect, a fierce spirit is pacified, Beasts themselves are moued with it. Sinalda was a woman of such excellent feature,^o and a Queene, that when shee was to be troden on by wilde horses for a punishment, the wild beasts stood in admiration of her person, (Saxo Grammaticus lib. 8. Dan. Hist.) and would not hurt her. Inanimate creatures I suppose, haue a touch of it; when a drop of P Psycles Candle fell on Cupids shoulder, I think sure it was to kisse it. When Venus ranne to meet her rose-checked Adonis, as an elegant † Poet of ours sets her out

— the bushes in the way
Some catch her necke, some kisse her face,
Some twine about her legs to make her stay,
And all did conet her for to embrace.

Air ipse Amore inficitur, as Heliodorus holdes, the Aire it selfe is in loue: For when Hero play'd vpon her Lute,

† The wanton Aire in twenty sweet formes danc't

After her fingers. ———

and those lascinious windes

staide Daphne when she fled from Apollo;

— * nudabant corpora venti,

they would be doing too,

Obuias, aduersas vibrabant flamina vestes.

That Seas and waters are inamored with this our beauty, is all out as likely as that of the ayre; for when Leander swimm'd in the Hellespont, Neptune

^a Muta commendatio, quauis epistola ad commendandum efficacior.

In ipsos tyrannos tyrannidem exercet.
^o Illud certe magnū ob quod gloriari possunt formosi quod uobis necessarium sit laborare, fortem periculis se obicere, sapientem, &c.

ⁱ Maiorem vim habet ad commendandum forma, quam accurate scripta epistola. Arist.
^o Heliodor. lib. 1.

ⁱ Knowles hist. Turcica.

† Daniel in complaint of Rosamund.

* Strona filius

Epig.

† Sect. 2. mem. 1

subf. 1.

^o Tante forma

fuit, ut cū uincta

loris feris

exposita foret equorum

calcibus

obterenda, ipsis

inuentis admirationi

fuit; ledere noluerunt.

^o Apuleius aut.

asini.

^o Shakespeare.

† Mark.

* Ouid. 1. Met.

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with his Trident did beat downe the waues, but

*They still mounted vp intending to haue kissed him,**And fell in drops like teares because they mist him.*

† Ouid. met. l. 9.

The † riuer *Alpheus* was in loue with *Arethusa*, as she tells the tale her selfe*—viridesq; manu siccata capillos**Fluminis Alphei veteris recitant amores**Pars ego Nympharum, &c.*When our *Tame & Isis* meet,* *Oscula mille sonant, connexa brachia pallent,**Mutuaq; explicitis connectunt colla lacertis.*

* Leland.

† *Obstupuit mirabundus membrorum elegantiam* &c. ep. 7.† *Parum absuit quo minus saxū ex homine factus sum, ipsi statui immobilior me facit.*† *Veteres Gorgonis fabulā confixerunt, exitium forme degenū stupidos rediens,*† *Hor. Ode, 5.*† *Marlos Hero.*† *Aspectum virginis sponte fugit instans fere, & impossibile existimans ut simul eam aspiceret quis possit. & intra temperantia metas se cōtineat*† *Apuleius lib. 4. Multi mortales longinissime*† *Museus. Illa autem bene mota, per eadem quacūq; vagabatur. Sequentem mentem habebat, & oculos, & corda virorum.*† *Homer.*† *Marlo.*† *Pernodidascalo dial. Ital. Latin. donat. a Gasp. Barthio Germano.*† *Propertius. Vellum splendore & elegancia, ambitione incessus, donis, cantilenis &c. gratiam adipiscit.*

Inachus and *Pineus*, & how many louing riuers can I reckon vp, whom beauty hath enthral'd. But men are mad, stupefied many times at the first sight of beauty, amazed, † as that fisherman in *Aristanetus*, that spied a maid bathing her selfe by the sea side, and as † *Lucian* in his *Images*, confesseth of himselfe, that he was at his mistris presence void of all sense, immouable, as if hee had seene a *Gorgons* head: which was no such cruell monster, as † *Calius* interprets it, lib. 13. cap. 9. but the very quintessence of beauty, some faire creature, as without doubt the Poets vnderstood in the first fiction of it, at which the spectators were amazed. † *Miseri quibus intentata nites*, poore wretches are compelled at the very sight of her ravishing lookes to runne mad, or make away themselves. * *They wait the sentence of her scornfull eyes;*

And whom she fauours liues, the other dyes.

† *Heliodorus lib. 1.* brings in *Thyamis* almost besides himselfe, when hee saw *Chariclia* first, and not daring to look vpon her a second time, for he thought it impossible for any man liuing to see her and containe himselfe. The very fame of beauty will fetch them to it many miles off (such an attractive power this loadstone hath) and they will seeme but short, they will vndertake any toile, or trouble, long iournyes, through Seas, Desarts, mountaines, & dangerous places, as they did to gaze on * *Psyche*: many mortall men came farre and neere to see that glorious object of her age: *Paris* for *Helena*, *Corebus* to *Troia*.

*Illis Romam qui forte diebus**Venerat insano Cassandra incensus amore.*

And not only come to see, but as to a Falkoner, makes an hungry hauke houer about, followe, giue attendance and seruice, spend goods, liues, & all their fortunes to attaine,

*were beauty vnder twenty lockes kept fast,**Yet Loue breakes through and pickes them all at last.*When faire † *Hero* came abroad, the eyes, hearts, and affections of her spectators were still attendant on her.† *Et medios inter vultus supereminet omnes,**Perq; urbem aspiciunt venientem numinis instar.** So farre about the rest faire *Hero* shin'd,

And stole away the enchanted gazers mind.

† When *Peter Aretines Lucretia* came first to *Rome*, and that the fame of her beauty ad urbanarum deliciarum sectatores venerat, nemo non ad videndam eam, &c. was spread abroad, they came in (as they say) thicke and threefold to see her, and howered about her gates, as they did of old to *Lais* of *Corinth*, and *Phryne* of *Thebes*,

* *Ad cuius iacuit Gracia tota fores,*

† Every man sought to get her loue, some with gallant and costly apparell, some with

with an affected pace, some with musike, others with rich gifts, pleasant discourse, multitude of followers, others with letters, vowes and promises, to commend themselves and to be gracious in her eyes. Happy was hee that could see her, thrice happy that enioyed her company. Charmides in Plato was a proper young man, in comelineffe of person, and all good qualities far exceeding others, whensoever faire Charmides came abroad they seem'd all to bee in loue with him (as Critias describes their carriage) & were troubled as it were at the very sight of him, many came neere him many followed him wheresoever he went, As those * *formarum spectatores* did Acontius: if at any time hee walked abroad. Such lovely sights doe not only please, entise, but ravish, and amaze. Cleonymus a delicate and tender youth, present at a feast which Androcles his vncle made in Piræo at Athens, when he sacrificed to Mercury, so stupefied the guests, Dineas, Aristippus, Agasthenes, and the rest, (as Charidemus in † *Lucian* relates it) that they could not eat their meate, they sat all supper time gazing, glauncing at him, and admiring of his beauty. Many will condemne these men that are so enamored, for fools; but some againe commend them for it, many reiect Paris iudgement, and yet *Lucian* approoves of it, and much admires Paris for his choice, he would haue done as much himselfe, and by good desert in his minde, Beauty is to be preferred, ^a before wealth or wisdom. ^b *Athenæus* *Dipsosophist. lib. 13. cap. 7.* holds it not such indignity for the Troians and Greekes to contend ten yeares, to spend so much labour, loose so many mens liues for *Heleus* sake, ^c for so faire a Ladies sake.

Ob talem uxorem cui præstantissima forma,

Nihil mortale refert.

That one woman was worth a kingdome, 100000 other women, a world it selfe. The same testimony giues *Homer* of the old men of Troy, that were spectators of that single combat betwixt Paris and Menelaus at the Seian gate, when *Helena* her selfe stood in presence, they said all, the war was worthely prolonged and vndertaken ^d for her sake. When * *Venus* lost her son *Cupid*, she made proclamation by *Mercury*, that hee that could bring tidings of him should haue 7 kisses, a noble reward some say, and much better then so many golden talents, seauen such kisses to some men, were more pretious then seauen Citties, or so many Provinces. ^e Great *Alexander* married *Roxane*, a poore mans childe, onely for her person, 'twas well done of *Alexander*, and heroically done, I admire him for it: *Orlando* was mad for *Angelica*, and who doth not condole his mishap. *Thiube* died for *Piramus*, *Dido* for *Aeneas*, who doth not weepe, as ^f *Austin* did in commiseration of her estate; she died for him, *me thinks* (as he said) *I could dye for her.*

But this is not the matter in hand, what prerogatiue this Beauty hath, of what power and soueraignty it is, and how farre such persons that so much admire and dote vpon it, are to bee iustified, no man doubts: the question is how and by what meanes Beauty produceth this effect? By sight: the Eye betraies the soule, and is both Actiue and Passiue in this businesse; it wounds and is wounded, is an especiall cause and instrument, both in the subiect and in the object. † *As teares, it beginnes in the eyes descends to the breast; It conuaies these beauteous rayes, as I haue said, vnto the heart. Et vidi ut perij.* [†] *Mars videt hanc, visamq; cupit.* Shechem saw *Dinah* the daughter of *Leah*, and he defiled her. *Gen. 34. 2. Jacob, Rachel. 29. 17* for she was beautiful & faire:

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^a *Præ ceteris corporis proceritate & egregia indole mirandus apparebat, ceteri autem capti eius amore videbantur, &c.*

^b *Aristoteles epist. 10.*

^c *Tom. 4 dial. mer. v. respectantes & ad formam eius obtransportantes.*

^d *In Charidemo. sapientie merito pulchritudo preferitur & opibus. Indignus nihil est Troas fortis & Achivos tempore tam longo persequos esse labores.*

^e *Digna quidem facies pro qua vel obiret Attila, vel Priamus belli causa probanda fuit. Proper. lib. 2.*

^f *Those mutinous Turkes that murmured at Mahomet, when they saw Irene, excused his absence. Knowles. Apul. miles. lib. 4.*

^g *Curtius lib. 5. Confess.*

[†] *Seneca. amor in oculis oritur, in pettus labitur.*

[‡] *Ovid. Nasib.*

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David espied Bersheba a farre off, 2. Reg. 11. 2. the Elders Susanna, & were captivated in an instant. *Viderunt oculi, rapuerunt pectora flamma.* Ammon fell sicke for Thamar's sake, 2. Sam. 13. 2. The Beauty of Ester was such, that shee found fauour not only in the sight of Assuerus, but of all those that looked vpon her. Gerson, Origen, & some others, contend that Christ himselfe was the fayrest of the sonnes of men, and Ioseph next vnto him, *speciosus pra filiis hominum*, and they will haue it literally taken, his very person was such, that hee found grace and fauour of all those as looked vpon him. Ioseph was so faire, that as the ordinary Gloss hath it, *filia decurrerent per murum, & ad fenestras*, they ranne to the top of the walls, & to the windowes to gaze on him, as we doe commonly to see some great personage goe by: as Mathew Paris describes Matilda the Empreffe going through Cullin. h P. Morales the Iesuite saith as much of the Virgin Mary. Anthony no sooner saw Cleopatra, but saith Appian. lib. 1. he was enamored on her. * Theseus at the first sight of Helen was so besotted, that hee esteemed himselfe the happiest man in the world if hee might enioy her. † Charicles by chance espying that curious picture of smiling Venus naked in her temple, stood a great while gazing, as one amazed, at length he brake into that mad passionate speech, O fortunate God Mars, that wast bound in chaines and made ridiculous for her sake. Hee could not containe himselfe, but kissed her picture I knowe not how oft, and could haue heartily desired to be so disgraced as Mars was: and what did he but what his betters had done before him.

—* atq; aliquis de dijs non tristibus optat

Sic fieri turpis—

When Venus came first to heaven, her comeliness was such, that (as my author saith) ¹ all the Gods came about, and saluted her, each of them went to Iupiter, and desired hee might haue her to be his wife. When faire Antilochus came in presence, as a candle in the darke his beauty shined, and all mens eyes (as ^m Xenophon describes the manner of it) were instantly fixed on him, and moued at the sight, insomuch that they could not conceale themselves, but that in gesture or lookes it was discerned & expressed. Those other senses hearing, touching, may much penetrate and affect, but none so much, none so forcible as sight. *Forma Briseis medijs in armis mo- uet Achillem*, Achilles was touched in the midst of a battle; *Iudith* captiuated that great Captaine Holofernes; *Dalilah*, *Sampson*; *Rosamund*; ⁿ Henry the 2^d; *Roxolana*, *Solyman* the Magnificent, &c.

* Νῆξά τ' ἔσ' οἶδ' ἡγεῖν

Καὶ πῶς γαλή πρὸς ἔτα.

A fayre woman ouercomes fire and sword.

o Nought vnder heaven so strongly doth allure,
The sense of man and all his minde possesse,
As beauties loueliest bait, that doth procure
Great warriors erst their rigor to suppress,
And mighty hands forget their manlinesse,
Driuen with the power of an heart-burning eye,
And lapt in flowres of a golden tresse,
That can with melting pleasure mollifie
Their hardned hearts inur'd to cruelty.

¶ *Clitiphon* ingeniously confesseth, that he no sooner came in *Lencippus* presence,

Lib. de pul-
crit. Jesu &
Maria.

† Antonius ubi
venit in Asiam
& vidit Cleopa-
tram eandem
exarsit.

* Lucian Chari-
demo, supra om-
nes mortales fo-
licissimum si bac-
fri possit.

† Lucian amor.
Insanum quid-
dam ac furibū-
dum exclamas.

O fortunatissime
deorum Mars
qui propter hanc
vincit fuisse.

* Ouid. lib. 3.

Met.

† Omnes dii co-
plexi sunt, & in
uxorem sibi pe-
tierunt, Nat.
Comes de Vene-
re.

¶ Et cum lux
noctu affulget,
omnium oculos
incurrit: sic Au-
tiloquus, &c.

† Delevit om-
nes ex animo
mulieres.

* Nam vincit
& vel ignem,
ferrumq; si qua
pulchra est. A-
nacreon 2.

o Spencer in
his Fairi:
Queene.

¶ Achilles Ta-
citus lib. 1.

sence, but that he did corde tremere, & oculis lascivius intueri, she was wounded at the first sight, his heart panted, and he could not possibly turne his eyes from her. So doth Calysiris in Heliodorus lib. 2. Isis Priest, a reverent old man who by chance at Memphis seeing that Thracian Rodophe, could not hold his eyes off her, I will not conceale it, she overcame me with her presence, & quite assaulted my continency, which I had kept unto mine old age, I resisted a long time my bodily eyes, with the eyes of my understanding, at last I was conquered, and as in a tempest carried headlong. Xenophiles a Philosopher, rayled at women downe right for many yeares together, scorned, hated, scoffed at them, comming at last into Daphnis, a faire maides company, (as hee condole his mishap to his friend Demarethus) was farre in loue, and quite overcome vpon a sudden. *Victus sum fateor à Daphnide, &c.*

* *Sola hac inflexit sensus, animumq; labentem*

Impulit ——— I could hold out no longer. No, saith Lucian, of his mistris, she is so faire, that if thou dost but see her, shee will stupefie thee, kall thee straight, and Medusa like turne thee to a stone, thou canst not pull thine eyes from her, but as an adamant doth iron, shee will carry thee bound headlong whether she will her selfe infect thee like a Basiliske.

Obstupuit primo aspectu Sydonia Dido.

It holds both in men and women, Dido was amazed at Aeneas presence; & as he feelingly verified out of his experience.

* *Quam ego postquam vidi, non ita amavi ut sani solent*

Homines, sed eodem pacto ut insani solent.

I lou'd her nor as others soberly,

But as a mad man rageth, so did I.

So Muscus of Leander, nusquam lumen detorquet ab illa, and Chaucer of Palamon.

He cast his eye vpon Emilia,

And therewith he blent and cryed ha ha.

As though he had bin stroke unto the hart.

If you desire to knowe more particularly what this Beauty is, how it doth Influre, how it doth fascinate (for as all hold, loue is a fascination) thus in brieft. * This comelineffe or beauty ariseth from the due proportion of the whole, or from each severall part. For an exact delineation of which, I referre you to Poets, Historiographers, and those amorous writers, To Lucians Images, and Charidemus, Xenophons description of Panthea, Petronius Catalectes, Heliodorus Chariclia, Tattius Leucippe, Longus Sophista's Daphnis and Cloe, Aristenetus, and Philostratus Epistles, Balthasar Castilio, lib. 4. de aulico, Laurentius cap. 10. de melan. Aeneas Sylvius his Lucretia, and every Poet almost, which haue most accurately described a perfect beauty, an absolute feature, and that through every part, both in men and women. Each part must concur to the perfection of it, for as Seneca saith, Epist. 33. lib. 4. *Non est formosa mulier cuius crux laudatur & brachium, sed illa, cuius simul universa facies admirationem singulis partibus dedit.* Shee is no faire woman, whose arme, thigh, &c. are commended, except the face and all the other parts be correspondent, & the face especially giues a lustre to the rest. The Face is it that commonly denominates faire or fowle, *arx forma facies*, the Face is Beauties Tower and though the other parts be deformed, yet a good face carries it *facies non vx-*

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* Statim ac ea contemplatus sum, occidi, oculos à virgine avertere conatus sum sed illi repugnabant.

* Pudet dicere, non celabo samē Memphim veniens me vicit, & continentia expugnata, quā ad senectutem usq; servāram, oculis corporis, &c.

† Nunc primum circa hanc anxius animi heres, Aristenetus, ep. 17.

* Virg. Aen. 4.

* Imag. Poly-

strato. si illam

saltem in me aris,

statui immobi-

liore te faciet: si

conspexeris eam

non relinquetur

faculas oculos

ab ea amovendi,

abduci te alli-

gatum quocunq;

voluerit, ut fer-

rum ad se tra-

here ferunt ada-

mantem.

* Plaut. Merc.

* In the

Knights Tale.

* Ex debita lo-

tius proportionē

aptā, partium

compositione.

Piccolomini.

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or amatur) that alone is most part respected, principally valued, and of it selfe
 7 Mor. Od. 13. able to captivate. 7 Vrit te Glycera nitor

lib.1.

Vrit grata protervitas

Et vultus nimium lubricus aspici.

† Ter. Eunuch.
 Act. 2. scen. 3.

Glycera's too faire a face was it that set him on fire, too faire to bee beheld.
 When † Cherea saw the singing wenches sweet face, he was so taken, that he
 cryed out. *O faciem pulchram, deleo omnes de hinc ex animo mulieres, tades*
quotidianarum harum formarum. O faire face, I'le neuer loue any but her,
 looke on any other hereafter but her, I am weary of these ordinary beauties,
 away with them. The more he sees her the worse he is, — *vritq; videndo,*
 as in a burning glasse, the sunne beames are recollected in a center, the
 rayes of loue are proiected from her eyes. It was *Aeneas* countenance rai-
 shed *Queene Dido*, *Os humerosq; Deo similis*, he had an angelicall face.

2 Petronius
 Catell.

2 *O sacros vultus Baccho vel Apolline dignos,*
Quos vir, quos tuto femina nulla videt.

O sacred lookes befitting Maiesty,
 Which never mortall wight could safely see.

† Labeus.
 * Arandus, vallia
 amenissima, e
 duobus monti-
 bus composita
 niveis.
 2 Ovid.

† Fol. 77. Day-
 gles hilares a.
 matores &c.
 b When Cupid
 flept. *Cesariem*
auream haben-
tem, ubi Psyche
vidit, mollemq;
ex ambrosia cer-
vicem inspexit,
crines crispos,
purpureas ge-
nas, candidasq;
&c. Apuleius.
 c In laudem
 calui: *splendida*
coma quisy a-
dulter est, allicit
aurea coma.

* *Venus ipsa non*
placere comis
nudata capite
spoliata, si qua-
lis ipsa Venus
cum fuit Virgo
omni gratiarum
chero stipata, et
toto cupidinum
populo concin-
nata, baltheo suo
cintha, cinnama
fragrans, et bal-
sama, sic alva
procefferit, pla-
serc non potest
Ulciano suo.

Although for the most part this beauty be most eminent in the face, yet ma-
 ny times those other members yeeld a most pleasing grace, and are alone suf-
 ficient to enamour. An high brow like vnto the bright heauens, *cæli pulcher-*
rima plaga, *Frons ubi vivit honor, frons ubi ludit amor.*

white and smooth like the polished a lablaster, a paire of cheekes of Vermili-
 on colour, a corall lip, *suaviorum delubrum*, in which

Basia mille patent, basia mille latent.

gratiarum sedes gratissima, white and round necke, that *via lactea*, dimple in
 the chinne, blacke eye-browes, *Cupidinis arcus*, sweet breath, white and euen
 teeth, which some call the sale peece: a fine soft round pappe, which giues
 an excellent grace, † *Quale decus tumidis Paro de marmore mammis?*

* and makes a pleasant valley betweene two white chaullie hilles,

(*a Forma papillarum quam fuit apta premi:*

Virebant oculos dura stantescq; mamilla.)

Againe

A flaxen haire, gol-
 den haire was euer in great account, for which *Virgil* commends *Dido*,

Nondum sustulerat flavum Proserpina crinem,

And crines

nodantur in aurum. Apollonius (*Argonaut. lib. 4. Iasonis flava coma incendit*
cor Medee) will haue *Iasons* golden haire, to bee the maine cause of *Medea's*
 dotage on him, *Castor* and *Pollux* were both yellow hair'd, *Paris*, *Menelaus*, &
 most amorous young men, haue bin such in all ages, *molles ac suaves*, as *Bap-*
tista Porta inferres, † *Physiog. lib. 2.* louely to behold. *Homer* so commends *He-*
lena, makes *Patroclus* and *Achilles* both yellow hair'd. *Pulchricoma Venus*, &
Cupid himselfe was yellow hair'd: for so *Psyche* spyed him asleepe, *Briseis*, *Po-*
lixena &c. *flavicomæ omnes,* — and *Hero* the faire,

Whom yong *Apollo* courted for her haire.

Leland commends *Guthera*, King *Arthures* wife, for a faire flaxen haire: so
Paulus Emilius, *Clodeus* lonely that King of *France*. c *Synesius* holds every
 effeminate fellow or adulterer is faire hair'd: & *Apuleius*, that *Venus* herselfe,
 Goddesse of Loue, cannot delight, c *Though* shee come accompanied with the
 Graces, and all *Cupids* traine to attend vpon her, girt with her owne girde, and
 smell of *Cynamom* and *Bawme*, yet if she be bauld or bad hair'd, she cannot please
 her

her Vulcan. Which belike makes our Venetian Ladies at this day, to counterfeit yellow haire so much, to adorne their heads with spangles, pearles, and flowres, & all Courtiers to affect a pleasing grace in this kind; In a word, *† the haire is Cupids nets, to catch all commers, a brushie wood, in which Cupid builds his nest, and under whose shadowes, all Lones a thousand severall wayes sport themselves.*

A litle hand, small, fine, long fingers, *Gratia que digitis* — 'tis that which Apollo did admire in Daphne, — *laudat digitosq; manusq;* a streight & slender body: a small foot, and well proportioned legges, hath an excellent lustre. Clearchus vowed to his friend Amyander in *† Aristinatus*, that the most attractive part in his Mistris, to make him loue & like her first, was her pretty legges & foot: a soft & white skinne, &c. have their peculiar graces, *⁴ Nebula haud est mollior ac huius cutis est, adeo papillam bellulam.* Though in men these parts are not so much respected; a grimme Sarazen sometimes, a martiall hirsute face pleaseth best, a blacke man is a pearle in a faire womans eye, & is as acceptable as * lame Vulcan was to Venus; for he being a sweaty fuliginous black smyth, was dearely beloued of her, when faire Apollo, nimble Mercury were reiected, and the rest of the sweet-fac'd gods forsake. Many women (as Petronius obserues) *sordibus calant* (As many men are more moued with kitchen wenches, & a poore country market-maid, then with all these illustrious Court and City Dames,) will sooner dote vpon a slaue, a seruant, a durt-dawber, a Cooke, a Player, if they see his naked legges or armes, *⁵ thorosq; brachia ⁊ c.* though he be all in ragges, obscene & durty, then vpon a Noble Gallant, embroydered Courtiers all in Gold. *⁶ Iustines* wife, a Citizen of Rome, fell in loue with Pylades a Player, and was ready to runne madde for him, had not Galen himselfe helped her by chance; *Faustina* the Empreffe, on a Fencer.

There is not one of a thousand falls in loue, but there is some one part or other which pleaseth him most, and inflames him about the rest. *† A* company of Philosophers, on a time, fell at variance, which part of a woman was most desirable & pleased best, some said the forehead, some the teeth, some the eyes, cheekes, lippes, chinne, &c. the controversy was referred to *Lais* of Corinth to decide, but she smiling, said, they were a company of fooles; for suppose they had her where they would, what would they * first seeke? Yet this notwithstanding I doe easily grant, *⁷ neg, quis vestrum negauerit opinor,* All parts are attractive, but especially the eyes,

(videt igne micantes,

Syderibus similes oculos) —

which are Loues Fowlers, & *Aucupium amoris*, the shooing hornes, the hooks of Loue (as *† Arandus* wil) the guides, touchstone, Iudges, that in a moment cure madmen, and make sound folkes mad, the watchmen of the body, what doe they not? how vexed they not? All this is true, and (as *Athenens lib. 13. dip. cap. 5. & Tatius* hold) they are the chiefe seates of Loue, as *Iames Lernatius* hath fa- cely expressed in an elegant Ode of his,

Amorem ocellis flammeolis herae

Vidi insidentem, credite posteri:

Fratresq; circum ludibundos,

Cum pharetra volitare & arcu &c.

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*† Arandus. ca-
pilli retia cupi-
dinis, sylva ce-
dua, in qua ni-
dificat Cupido,
sub cuius umbrâ
amores mille
modis se exer-
cent.*

*† Epist. 27. Vbi
pulchram tibi
bene compactâ,
tenuemq; pedem
vidi.*

⁴ Plautus Cas.

** Claudius op-
timè rem agit.*

*⁵ Fol. 5. Si ser-
uum viderint,
aut statorem al-
ius cinctum,
aut pulvere per-
futum, aut histri-
onem in scenam
traductum, &c.*

*† Me pulchrâ
fateor carere
formâ, verum
mentula luculê-
ta nostra est.
Petronius de
Priapo.*

⁶ Galen.

*† Calpurnius
Apologus. Quae
pars maximè
desiderabilis,
alius frontem,
alius genas, &c.*

** Intersaminis.*

*† Amoris hami,
duces, iudices, &
indices, qui mo-
mento in sanos*

*sanant, in sanos
insanire cogunt.
oculatissimi cer-
poris excubito-
res, quid non a-
gunt? quid non
angunt?*

⁷ Hensius.

*⁸ Sunt enim o-
culi prapue
pulchritudinis
sedes lib. 6.*

⁹ Ocelli carni.

*17 cuius & Lip-
sius epist. quæst.
lib. 3. cap. 11.
meminit ob ele-*

I gentiam.

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I saw Loue sitting in my Mistris eyes
Sparkling, belecue it all posterity,
And his attendants playing round about,
With bowe and arrowes ready for to fly.

¹ Cynthia pri-
ma suis miserum
me cepit ocellis,
contactum nullis
ante cupidini-
bus. Propert. l. 1.

Scaliger calls the eyes, ² Cupids arrowes, the tongue, the lightning of Loue, the
pappes, the tents: ¹ Balthasar Castilio, the causes, the chariots, the lampes of
Loue, ———— *emula lumina stellis,*

Lumina quæ possent sollicitare Deos.
Eyes emulating starres in light,
Entising Gods at the first sight.

Loues Orators. ⁿ Petronius

^a In Catalect.

*O blandos oculos, & ô faceros,
Et quâdam propriâ natâ loquaces,
Illic est Venus, & leues amores,
Atq, ipsa in medio sedet voluptas.*
O sweet and pretty-speaking eyes,
Where Venus loue and pleasure lyes.

^p De Sulpicio
lib. 4.

Loues Torches, Touch-box, and Matches. ^p Tibullus.

*Illius ex oculis quum vult exurere divos,
Accendit geminas lampadas acer amor.*

Tart loue when he will set the Gods on fire,
Lightens the eyes as Torches to desire.

^q Pulchritudo
ipsa per occultos
radios in pectus
arsentis dimi-
nans amate rei
formam insculp-
tu. Tatius lib. 5.

Leander at the first sight of Hero's eyes, was incensed, saith Musæus.

*Simul in oculorum radys crescebat fax amorum,
Et cor feruebat inuicti ignis impetu,
Pulchritudo enim celebris immaculata fumina,
Acutior hominibus est veloci sagittâ.
Oculus verò via est, ab oculi ictibus
Vulnus dilabitur, & in precordia viri manat.*

Loues torches ganne to burne first in her eyes,
And set his heart on fire, which neither dyes:
For the faire beauty of a Virgin pure,
Is sharper then a dart, and doth inure
A deeper wound, which pierceth to the heart,
By th' eyes, and causeth such a cruell smart.

^r Jacob. Corne-
lius Ammon tra-
ged. Act. 1. sc. 1.

^s Rosa formosa-
rum oculis nas-
cuntur, & heli-
vitas vultus e-
legantia coronâ.
Philostatus de-
litijs.

^t Epist. & in de-
litijs. Abi & op-
pugnationem re-
linque, quam
flamma non ex-
tinguit, nam ab
amore ipsa flâ-
ma sentit incen-
dium, quæ cor-
porum penetra-
ti, quæ tyrann-
is bacit &c.

^r A moderne Poët brings in Ammon complaining of Thamar,

——— *& me fascino*

*Occidit ille risus, & forma lepos
Ille mitor, illa gratia, & verus decor,
Ille emulantes purpuram, & rosas gena,
Oculiq, vinetq, auro nodo comæ.*

It was thy Beauty, it was thy pleasing smile,
Thy grace and comeliness did me beguile,
Thy rose-like cheekes, and vnto purple faire
Thy louely eyes, and golden knotted haire.

^r Philostratus Lemnius cryes out on his Mistris Basiliske eyes, they had so in-
flamed his soule, that no water could quench it. *what a tyranny* (saith hee)
what a penetration of bodies is this? thou drawest me with violence, and swal-
lowest

lowest me up, as Charybdis doth Saylers, with thy rockie eyes, bee that falls into this gulf of Loue, can neuer get out. The strongest beames of Beauty, are still darted from thy eyes,

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† *Nam quis lumina, tanta, tanta,
Posset luminibus suis tueri,
Non statim trepidansq, palpitansq,
Præ desiderio æstuantis auræ &c.*

† *Lachem Parthea.*

For who such eies with his can see
And not forthwith inamored bee.

And as men catch dotrels, by putting out a leg or an arme, by those mutuall glances of the eyes they first inueagle one another. Of all eyes (by the way) blacke are the most amiable, entising, & the fairest, which the Poet obserues in commending of his Mistris,

ⁱ *Spēctandam nigris oculis, nigroq, capillo.*

ⁱ *Ovid. amorū lib. 2. eleg. 4.*† *Sena. Herculis*

which Hesiod admires in his *Alcmena*

† *Cuius à vertice ac nigritantibus oculis,
Tale quiddam spirat ac ab auræ Venere.*

From her black eies, & from her golden face,

As if from *Venus* came a louely grace.

ⁱ *Triton in his*ⁱ *Calcagninus dial.*

Milane,

— *nigra oculos formosa mihi.*

ⁱ *Homer* vseth that Epithete of Oxe-eyed, in describing *Iuno*, because a round blacke eye is the best, and the farthest from the black, the worse: Which ⁱ *Polidore Virgil* taxeth in our Nation, *Angli ut plurimum caesiis oculis*, wee haue gray eyes for the most part. *Baptista Porta* *Physiognom. lib. 3.* puts gray colour vpon children; they be childish eyes, dull and heauy. Many commend on the other side *Spanish* Ladies, and those ⁱ *Greeke* Dames at this day, for the blacknesse of their eyes, as *Porta* doth his *Neapolitan* *Wiues*. *Sueton* describes *Iulius Caesar* to haue beene *nigris, vegetisq, oculis micantibus*, of a blacke quicke sparkling eye; and although *Auerroes* in his *Colliget* will haue such persons timorous, yet without question they are most amorous.

ⁱ *Iliad. 1. 7 Hist. lib. 1.*ⁱ *Sands relation fol. 67.*

Now last of all, I will shew you by what meanes Beauty doth fascinate, bewitch, as some hold, and worke vpon the Soule of a man by the Eye. For certainly I am of the Poets mind, Loue doth bewitch and strangely change vs.

ⁱ *Ludit amor sensus, oculos perstringit, & aufert
Libertatem animi, mirâ nos fascinat arte.*

Credo aliquis demon subiens præcordia flammam

Concitat, & raptam tollit de cardine mentem.

Loue mocks our senses, curbs our liberties,

And doth bewitch vs with his Art and rings,

I thinke some Diuell gets into our entrals,

And kindles coales, and heaues our soules from the hinges.

ⁱ *Amor per oculos, nares, poros influens, &c.*ⁱ *Mortales tum*ⁱ *summopere fasci-*ⁱ *nantur quoad*ⁱ *frequentissimè*ⁱ *in oculis ad a-*ⁱ *ciem dirigentes,*ⁱ *&c. Ideo si quis*ⁱ *nitore palliat o-*ⁱ *culum, &c.*

Heliodorus lib. 3. proues at large, ⁱ that Loue is witch-craft, it gets in at our eyes, pores, nostrils, and ingenders the same qualities, and affections in vs, as were in the parry whence it came. The manner of the fascination, as *Ficinus com. 10. cap. com. in Plat.* declares it, is thus. Mortall men are then especially bewitched, when as by often gazing one on the other, they direct sight to sight, ioyne eye to eye, and so drink & suck in Loue between them, for the beginning of this disease is the Eye. And therefore hee that hath a cleare eye, though he be otherwise de-

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formed, by often looking upon him, will make one mad, and tye him fast to him by the eye. *Leonard Varius lib. 1. cap. 2. de fascinat.* telleth vs, that by this inter-view, the purer spirits are infected, the one Eye pierceth through the other with his rayes, which he sends forth, & many men haue those excellent piercing eyes, that which *Suetonius* relates of *Augustus*, their brightnesse is such, they compell their spectators to looke off, & they can no more endure them then the Sunne beames. *Barradius lib. 6. cap. 10. de Harmonia Evangel.* reports as much of our Sauour CHRIST, and *Peter Morales* of the Virgin Mary, whom *Nicephorus* describes likewise to haue beene yellow hair'd, of a wheat colour, but of a most amiable and piercing eye. The rayes, as some thinke, sent from the eyes, carry some spirituall vapours with them, and so infect the other party. I know, they that hold *visio fit intra mittendo*, will make a doubt of this, but *Ficinus* proues it from bleare eyes, *f That by sight alone, make others bleare-eyed: and it is more then manifest, that the vapour of the corrupt blood doth get in together with the rayes, and so by the contagion, the spectators eyes are infected.* Other arguments there are of a Basiliske, that kills afarre off by sight alone, as that *Ephesian* did, of whom *Philostatus* speakes, of so pernicious a sight, he poysoned all he looked steddily on: and that other argument, *menstrua femina*, out of *Aristotles Problems*, morbose *Capivaccius* addes, that contaminates a looking-glasse with beholding it. *h So the beames come from the agents heart, by the eyes infect the spirits about the Patients, and inwardly wound, and so the spirits infect the blood.* To this effect shee complained in *Apuleius*, *Thou art the cause of my griefe, thy eyes piercing through mine eyes to mine inner parts, haue set my bowels on fire, and therefore pittie me that am now ready to dye for thy sake.* *Ficinus* illustrates this with a familiar example of that *Marrhusian Phædrus* & *Lycias*. *h Lycias he stares on Phædrus face, and Phædrus fastens the balls of his eyes upon Lycias, & with those sparkling rayes, sends out his spirits. The beames of Phædrus eyes are easily mingled with the beames of Lycias, and spirits are inioyned to spirits. This vapour begot in Phædrus heart, enters into Lycias bowels; and that which is a greater wonder, Phædrus blood is in Lycias heart, and thence come those ordinary loue speeches, my sweet heart Phædrus, and mine owne selfe, my deare bowels: And Phædrus againe to Lycias, O my light, my ioy, my soule, my life. Phædrus followes Lycias, because his heart would haue his spirits, and Lycias followes Phædrus, because he loues the seat of his spirits, both follow, but Lycias the more earnest of the two: The riuer hath more neede of the fountaine, then the fountaine of the riuer, as iron is drawne to that which is touched with a loadstone, but drawes not it againe, so Lycias drawes Phædrus. But how comes it to passe then that a blind man loues, that neuer saw? Tis true indeed of naturall and chaste loue, but not of this Heroicall passion, or rather brutish burning lust, of which we treat, we speak of wandring, wanton, adulterous eyes, which as *he* saith, lye still in wait, as so many souldiers, and when they spie one fixed on them, shoot him through, and presently bewitch him: Especially when they shall gaze and glote, as wanton Louers doe one vpon another, and with a pleasant eye conflict, participate each others soules. Hence you may perceiue how easily and how quickly we may bee taken in loue, since at the twinkling of an eye, *Phædrus**

c Spiritus puriores fascinatur, oculus a se radios emittit, &c.

d Lib. de pulchrit. Ies. & Mar.

e Lib. 2. cap. 23. colore triticum referente crine, flaua, acribus oculis.

f Lippi solo intuitu alios lippos faciunt, & patet una cum radio vaporem corrupti sanguinis emanare, cuius contagione oculi spectantis inficitur.

g Via Apollon.

h Sic radius a corde percutientis missus, regimen proprium repetit, cor vulnerat, per oculos & sanguinem inficit, & spiritus subtili quadam vi, Capil. lib. 3. de aulico.

i Lib. 10. Causa omnis & origo omnis presentis doloris tute es.

Is enim tui oculi, per meos oculos ad intima delapsi precordia, acerrimum meo medullis commouent incendium, ergo misereere tui causa pereuntis.

k Lycias in Phædrus vultum inhabitat, Phædrus in oculos Lycias scintillas suorum defigit oculorum eumque scintillis, &c. Sequitur Phædrus Lyciam, quia cor suum petit spiritum, Phædrum Lycias, quia spiritus propriam sedem postulat.

Verum Lycias, &c. l Castillo de aulico lib. 3. fol. 228. Oculi ut milices in insidijs semper recubant, & subito ad visum sagittas emittunt, &c.

spirits

spirits may so perniciously infect *Lycias* blood. ^m Neither is it any wonder, if we but consider how many other diseases as closely, and as suddenly are caught by infection, Plague, Itch, Scabs, Flux, &c. The spirits taken in, will not let him rest that hath received them, but egge him on.

ⁿ *Idg. petit corpus meus unde est saucia amore,* as we may manifestly perceiue a strange education of spirits, by such as bleed at nose after they be dead, at the sight of the murderer; but read more of this in *Lemnius lib. 2. de occult. nat. mir. cap. 7. Valleriola lib. 2. observ. cap. 7. Valesius controu. Ficinus, Cardan &c.*

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^m Nec mirum si
reliquos morbos,
qui ex contagio-
ne nascuntur
consideremus pe-
stem, pruritum,
scabiem, &c.
ⁿ *Lucretias.*

MEMB. 2 SUBSECT. 3.

*Artificiall allurements of Loue, causes and provocations to
lust. Gestures, Cloathes, Dowre &c.*

Naturall Beauty is a strong Loadstone of it selfe, as you haue heard, a great temptation, & pierceth to the very heart, but much more when those Artificiall entisements & provocations of Gestures, Clothes, Jewels, Pigments, Exornations, shal be annexed vnto it, those other circumstances, opportunity of time and place shall concur, which of themselves alone were all sufficient, each one in particular to produce this effect. It is a question much controverted by some wise men, *An forma debeat plus arti an nature?* whether naturall or artificiall objects be more powerfull, but not decided: for my part I am of opinion, that though beauty of it self be a great motiue, and giue an excellent lustre in *sordibus*, and in beggery, as a leuel on a dung-hill, it will shine and cast his rayes, it cannot be suppressed, as *Heliodor*us faines of *Chariclia*, though she were in beggers weeds: yet as it is vsed, artificiall is of more force, much to be preferred. *Iohn Lerus* the *Burgundian*, c. 8. *hist. navigat. in Brasil.* is altogether on my side. For whereas (saith he) at our comming to *Brasile*, wee found both men and women naked as they were borne, without any couering, so much as of their priuities, and could not be perswaded by our Frenchmen that liued a yeare with them, to weare any: *P* Many will thinke that our so long commerce with naked women, must needes be a great provocation to lust, but he concludes otherwise, that their nakednesse did much lesse entice them to lasciuiousnesse, then our womens cloathes. And I dare boldly affirme (saith he) that those glittering attires, counterfeit colours, head-gear, curled haire, plaited coates, cloakes, gownes, costly stomachers, garded and loose garments, and all those other acontrements, where-with our countrey women counterfeit a beauty, & so curiously set out themselves, cause more inconvience in this kind, then that Barbarian homelines, although they be no whit inferiour vnto them in Beauty. I could vince the truth of this by many other arguments, but I appeale (saith he) to my companions at that present, which were all of the same minde. His countrey-man *Montague* in his *Essays*, is of the same opinion, and so are many others. Out of whose assertions thus much in briebe we may conclude, that Beauty is more beholding to Art then to Nature, and stronger provocations proceede from outward ornaments, then such as Nature hath provided. Is it true that those faire sparkling eyes, white neck, corall lips, turgent pappes, Rose coloured cheekes, &c. of them

o In Beauty,
that of fauour
is preferred
before that of
Colours, and
decent motio
is more then
that effeavour
*Bacon*s *Essays*

f Multi tacite
opinantur com-
mercium illud
adeo frequens
cum barbaris
nudis, ac praefer-
tim cum femi-
nis, ad libidinem
provocare, at-
minus multo no-
xia illorum nu-
ditas, quam no-
strarum femi-
narum cultus.
Ausim asserere
splendidi-
illum cultum,
fucos &c.

selues

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felues are potent entisers, but when a comely, artificiall, wel composed look, pleasing gesture, an affected carriage shall be added, it must needs bee farre more forcible then it was, when those curious needle-workes, variety of colours, lewels, spangles, pendants, lawne, faire and fine linnen, embroyderies, calamistrations, oynments, &c. shall bee added, they will make the veriest cloudy otherwise a Goddesse, when Nature shall bee furthered by Art. For it is not the eye of it selfe that entiseth to lust, but an adulterous eye, as Peter tearmes it 2.2.14. a wanton, a rolling lasciuious eye. A wandring eye, which I say taxeth, 3.16. Christ himselfe, and the Virgin Mary, had most beautifull eyes, as amiable eyes as any persons, saith ^q Barradius, that euer liued, but withall so modest, so chaste, that whosoever looked on them, was freed from that passion of burning lust, if wee may belecue ^r Gerson and ^s Bonauenture, there was no such Antidote against it, as the Virgin Maries face. Tis not the eye, but carriage of it, as they vse it, that causeth such effect, so she makes her bragges in a moderne Poet,

† Soone could I make my brow to tyrannise,
And make the World doe homage to mine eyes.

The eye is a secret Orator, the first bawde, and with priuate lookes, winking, glances & smiles, as so many dialogues they make vp the match manytimes, & vnderstand one anothers meanings, before they come to speak a word. ^r Eurialus & Lucretia were so mutually enamored by the eye, & prepared to giue each other entertainment, before euer they had conference: & that ^u Thracian Rodophe was so excellent at that dumbe rhetorick, that if she had but looked vpon any one almost (saith Calisiris) she would haue bewitched him, & he could not possibly escape it. For as ^x Saluianus obserues, the eyes are the windowes of our soules, by which as so many channels, all dishonest concupiscences get into our hearts. They reueale our thoughts, & as they say, *frons animi Index*, but the eye of the countenance, † *Quid procacibus intueri ocellis, &c.*

I may say the same of siniling, gate, nakednesse of parts, plausible gestures, &c. To laugh is the proper passion of a man, an ordinary thing to smile; but those counterfeit, composed, affected, artificiall and reciprocall, those counter-smiles, are the dumbe shewes and prognosticks of great matters,

*Stultus quando videt quod pulchra puellula ridet,
Tum fatuus eredit se quod amare velit.*

When a foole sees a faire maid for to smile,
He thinks she loues him, tis but to beguile.

They make an Art of it, as the Poet telleth vs,

† *Quis credat, discunt etiam ridere puella.*

Queritur atq; illis hac quoque parte decor.

Who can beleue? to laugh maides make an Art,
And seeke a pleasant grace in that same part.

And tis as great an entisement as any of the rest.

z — *subrisit molle puella,*

Cor tibi rite salit. —

She makes thine heart pant, with ^a a pleasing gentle smile of hers

b *Dulce ridentem Lalagen amabo,*

Dulce loquentem.

I loue Lalage

as much for smiling, as for discoursing, *delectata illa risit tam blandum*, as he

saide

^q Harmo. euan-
gel. lib. 6. cap. 9.

^r Serm. de con-
cep. virg. physio-
nomia virginis
omnes mouit ad
castitatem.

^t 3 sent. d. 3. q. 3
mirum, virgo
formosissima; sed
à nemine concu-
pita.

† Rosamonds
complaint, by
Sam. Daniel.

^r Eneas Sylv.

^u Heliodor. l. 2.

Rodophe Thra-
cia tam inuita-
bili fascino in-
struata, tam ex-
actè oculis intu-
ens attraxit, ut
sin illam quis
incedisset, fieri
non posset quin
aperiretur.

^x Lib. 3. de pro-
videntia. Animi
fenestre oculi, et
omnis improba
cupiditas per o-
cellos tanquam
canales introit.

† Buchanan.

^y Ouid. de arte
amandi.

^a Pers. 3. Sat.
^b Pel centum
Choristes ridere
putaret, datus
of Hero.

^c Hor. Od. 22.

lib. 1.

said in *Petronius* of his Mistris, being well pleased, shee gaue so sweet a smile. It wonne *Ismenius*, as he^c confesseth, *Ismene subrisit amatorium*, *Ismene* smiled so louingly the second time I saw her, that I could not chuse but admire her. All other gestures of the body will enforce as much. *Daphnis* in *Lucian* was a poore tottered wench, when I knew her first, said *Corbile*, *pannosa & lacera*, but now shee is a stately piece indeed, hath her maides to attend her, braue attires, mony in her purse &c. and will you know how this came to passe by setting out her selfe after the best fashion, by her pleasant carriage, affability, sweet smiling vpon all &c. Many women dote vpon a man for his complement only, and good behauiour, they are wonne in an instant: and amongst the rest, an vpright, a comely grace, curtesies, gentle salutations, cringes, a mincing gate, a decent and an affected pace: Which the Prophet *Esay* objected to the daughters of *Sion* 3.16. they minced as they went, and made a tinkling with their feet. To say the truth, what can they not effect by such meanes?

Whilest Nature deckes them in their best attires,
Of youth and beauty which the world admires,

and Art shall be annexed to it, when wiles and guiles shall concur: (for to speake as it is, Loue is a kind of legerdemaine, meere juggling, a fascination) When they shew their faire hand, fine foot & leg with all, *magnum sui desiderium nobis relinquunt*, saith *Balthasar Castilio lib.1.* they set vs a-longing. & so when they pull up their petty-coates, and outward garments, as vsually they doe, to shew their fine stockings, gold fringes, laces, embroyderings, (it shall goe hard but when they goe to Church, or to any other place, all shall bee seene) tis but a springe to catch Woodcockes; and as *Chrysostome* telleth them downe-right, though they say nothing with their mouths, yet they speak in their gate, they speake with their eyes, they speake in the carriage of their bodies. And what shal we say otherwise of that baring of their necks, shoulers, naked brests, armes & wrists, to what end are they, but onely to tempt men to lust? Nakednesse, as I haue said, is an odious thing of it selfe, *remedium amoris*, yet it may be so vsed in part, & at such times, that there can bee no such entisement as it is. *David* so espied *Bersheba*, the Elders *Susanna*. *Apelles* was inamored with *Campaspe*, when he was to paint her naked. *Tiberius* in *Suet. cap. 42.* supped with *Sestius Gallus* an old leacher, *libidinoso sene, ea lege ut nuda puella administrarent*, some say as much of *Nero*, and *P. Huter* of *Carol. Pugnax*. Amongst the *Babylonians*, it was the custome of some lasciuious Q. to dance Friskin in that fashion, saith *Curtius l.5.* and *S. Sardus de mor. gent. lib.1.* writes to that effect. The *Tuscans* at some set banquets, had naked women to attend vpon them, which *Leonicus de Varia hist. lib. 3. c. 96.* confirmes off some other bawdy Nations. *Nero* would haue filthy pictures still hanging in his Chamber, which is too commonly vsed in our times, & *Heliogabalus*, *Etiam coram agentibus, ut ad Venerē incitarent*: So things may be abused. A seruant maide in *Aristanetus*, spied her Master and Mistris through the key hole * merrily disposed, vpon the sight she fell in loue with her Master. *Antonius Caracalla* obserued his mother in law with her brests amorously laide open, he was so much moued, that he said, *Ab si liceret*, O that I might; which she by chance ouer-hearing, replied as impudently, *Quicquid libet licet*, thou maist doe what thou wilt: And vpon that temptation he married her: this object was not in cause, not the thing it selfe, but that vnseemely, vndecent carriage of it.

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When

Eustatius l.5

† Tom. 4. merit.
dual. Exorand
seipsum eleganter,
facilem &
bilarem se gerendo
erga cunctos,
vide de suauitate
ac blandum;
quid &c.

a Vel sfort
vestimentum de
industria eleuatur,
ut pedum ac
tibiurum pars aliqua
conspiciatur,
dum templi aut locum aliquem adierit.
Sermone quod non serui viris
cohabitent.
Non loquuta es
lingui, sed loquuta es
gressu non loquuta es
voce, sed oculis
loquuta es clarius
quam voce,
† Plin. lib. 33. c.
10. Campaspe
nudam picturus
Apelles amore eius
illaqueatus est.
† In Tyrhenis
convitiis nude
mulieres ministrabant.
† Epist. 7. lib. 2.
Amatoria miscenies vidit,
in ipsis complexibus
audire &c.
emersit inde Cupido
in pectus Virginit.
h Spartian.

i De immod.
mulier. culis.

* Petronius
fol. 95. quò spe-
ctant flexe co-
me, quò facies
medicamine at-
trita, & oculo-
rum mollis pe-
tulantia, quò in-
cessus tam com-
positus &c.

† Ter.
* Pet. Areline.
Hortulanus non
ita exercetur
visendis hortis,
equites equis,
armis, nauta na-
vibus &c.

† Epist. 4. Sonus
armillarum be-
nè sonantium,
dulce motarum,
odor unguento-
rum &c.

‡ Tom. 4. dial.
Amor. vascula
plena multe in-
felicitatis, om-
nem maritorum
opulentiam in
hec impendunt,
dracones pro
monilibus ha-
bent, qui uinam
verè dracones
essent. Lucian.
† Seneca.

When you haue all done, *veniunt à veste sagitta*, the greatest prouoca-
tions of lust are from our apparell. God makes, they say, man shapes, and
there is no motiue like vnto it, a filthy knaue, deformed queane, a crooked
carcasse, a maukin, a witch, a rotten post, an hedgestake may be so set out and
tricked vp, that it may make all out as faire a shew, as much enamour as the
rest: many a silly fellow is so taken. *Primum luxuria aucupium*, one calls it,
the first snare of lust, *Bosscus aucupium animarum, lethalem arundinem*, a fa-
rall reed, the greatest bawd, *forte lenocinium*. Not that comelines of clothes
is therefore to be condemned, and those vsuall ornaments: there is a decency
and *decorum* in this as well as in other things, and fit to be vsed, becomming
seuerall persons, and besitting their estates, hee is onely phantastically, that is
not in fashion, and like an old image in Arras hangings, when a manner of
attire is generally receaued: but when they are so new fangled, so vnstaid, so
prodigious in their attires, beyond their meanes and fortunes, vnbesitting
their age, place, quality, conditio, what should we otherwise thinke of them?
Why doe they adorne themselues with so many colours of hearbs, flowres,
curious needleworkes, devices of sweet smelling odors, with those inesti-
mable riches of pretious stones, pearles, diamonds, emeralds, &c. Why doe
they crowne themselues with gold and siluer, vse coronets and tires of seue-
rall fashions, decke themselues with pendants, bracelets, earerings, chaines,
girdles, rings, pins, spangles, embroderies, shadows, rebatoes, ribbands; why
doe they make such glorious shewes with their feathers, faunes, masks,
furies, laces, launes, tiffanies, ruffles, falls, cals, cuffes, damaskes, velvets, tinsels,
cloth of gold, siluer, tissue? with colours of heauens, starres, planets, the
strength of mettals, stones, odors, flowres, birds, beasts, fishes, and whatsoe-
uer *Africke, Asia, America*, sea, land, art, and industrie of man can afford?
Why doe they vse and couet such nouelty of inventions; such new fangled
tyres, & spend such inestimable summes on them? *To what end are those cri-
sped, false haires, painted faces*, as *the Satyrists obserues*, such a composed gate,
not a step awry? Why are they like so many *Sybarites*, or *Neroes Poppae*, *Assu-
erius* concubines, so costly, so long a dressing, as *Cæsar* was marshalling his ar-
my, or an hawke in pruning? *Dum moliuntur, dum comuntur, annus est*, *A*
* *Gardner takes not so much delight and paines in his garden, an horsenman to*
dresse his horse, scoure his armour, a *Marriner* about his ship, a *Merchant* his
shop, and shopbooke, as they doe about their faces, and all those other parts:
such setting vp with corkes, streightning with whale bones; why is it but as
a day-net catcheth larkes, to make young men stoupe vnto them. *Philocha-
rus* a young man in *Aristenetus*, adviseth his friend *Polianus*, to take heed of
such entisements, *† for it was the sweet sound & motion of his Mistris spangles*
and bracelets, the smell of her oyntments, that captinated him first. *Quid sibi*
vult pixidum turba, saith *Lucian*, *To what vse are pinnes, pots, glasse,*
oyntments, irons, combes, bodkins, setting stickes, why bestow they all their
patrimonies and husbands yearly reuenues on such fooleries, *† bina patrimonia*
singulis auribus; why vse they dragons, waspes, snakes, for chaines, inamelled
Iewels on their neckes, eares, *dignum potius foret ferro manus istas religari*,
at q, *utinam monilia verè dracones essent*, they had more need some of them
be tied in *Bedlam* with iron chaines, and haue a whip for a fanne, and haire-
cloathes next to their skinns, instead of wrought smockes, haue their cheeks
stigmatized

stigmatized with a hot iron, I say, some of them instead of painting, if they were well serued. But why is all this labour, all this cost; preparation, riding, running, farre fetched, and deare bought stuffe? but as he saith, ⁿ *Because forsooth they would be faire and fine, and where nature is defective, supply it by art,*

Sanguine quæ vero non rubet, arter rubet, Ouid. and to that purpose they annoint and paint their faces, crush in their feet and bodies, hurt and crucifie themselves, sometimes in laxe clothes, an hundred yardes I thinke in a gowne, a sleeue, and sometimes againe so close, *ut nudos exprimant artus.* Now long tailes and traines, and then short, vp, downe, high, lowe, thicke, thinne &c. Why is all this, but with the whore in the Prouerbs, to intoxicate some or other:

Quod pulchris Glycere sumas de pixide vultus,

Quod tibi composita nec sine lege coma,

Quod niteat digitis adamus, Beryllus in aure,

Non sum diuinus, sed scio quid cupias.

O Glycere in that you paint so much,

Your haire is so bedeck't in order such,

With rings on fingers, bracelets in your eare,

Although no Prophet, tell I can, I feare.

to be admired, to bee gazed on, to circumvent some novice? as many times they doe, that in stead of a Lady he loues a cap and feather, in stead of a maid that should haue *verum colorem, corpus solidum, & succi plenum*, as Cherea describes his mistris in the † Poet, a painted face, a ruffe-band, faire & fine linen, a coronet, a flowre. * *Naturæ, putat quod fuit artificis,* a painted waste-coat, or a pied petticoat, in stead of a proper woman. Tis too commonly so,

P Auferimur cultu, & gemmis, auroq; teguntur

Omnia, pars minima est ipsa puella sui.

With gold and Iewels all is couered,

And with a strange tirc we are wonne:

(While she's the least part of her selfe)

And with such baubles quite vndone.

Why doe they keepe in so long together, a whole winter sometimes, and will not be seene but by torch or candle-light, and come abroad with all the preparation may be, when they haue no businesse but onely to shew themselves?

Spectatum veniunt, veniunt spectentur ut ipsa,

† *For what is beauty if it be not seene,*

Or what is't to be seene if not admir'd,

And though admir'd, vnlesse in loue desir'd?

why doe they goe with such a counterfeite gate, which † *Philo Iudeus* reprehends them for, and vse such gestures, apish, ridiculous, vndecent attires, vse those perfumes, oyntments in publike: come to heare Sermons so frequent, is it for deuotion? or rather as † *Basil* tells them, to meet their sweet hearts, & see fashions; for as he saith, commonly they come so provided to that place, with such gestures and tircs as if they should goe to a dancing-schoole, or to a stage-play, or baudie-house, fitter then a Church,

When such a shee Priest comes, her Masse to say,

Twenty to one they all forget to pray,

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ⁿ Castilio de am-
lic. lib. 1. mulie-
ribus omnibus
hoc imprimis in-
uoluit, ut for-
mosa sint, aut si
reipia non sunt,
videantur tamen
esse, & si quâ
parte natura de-
fuit, artus suppe-
titijs adiungunt,
unde ille facies
infectiones, dolor
& cruciatus in
artibus corpori-
bus, &c.
Modo cauda-
tas tunicas, &c.
Buffy.

† Ter. Eunucho
Act 2. Scen. 3.

* Siroza filius.

† Ouid.

† S. Daniel.

9 Lib. de viciis.
Fraclo in-
cessu, obtutu, las-
civo, calami fra-
ta, cincinnata,
fucata, recens lo-
sa, purpurisata,
pretiosaq; ami-
sta, palliolo spi-
rans inguentia,
ut iuuenum ani-
mos circumueniat.

† Orat. in ebrios.

Impudenter se
masculorum a-
spectibus expo-
nunt, insolenter
comas labantes,
trahunt tunicas
pedibus colliden-
tes, oculisq; petu-
lanti risu effuso
ad tripudium in-
saniens, omnem
adulescentum in-
temperantiam
in se provocan-
tes, idq; in tem-
plis memorie
martyrum conse-
cratis pomariis
civitatibus, offi-
cinam fecerunt
impudentia.

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They make those holy Temples consecrated to Gods martyrs, and religious uses, the shoppes of impudence, denmes of whoores and theewes, and little better then brothell-houses. When we shall see these things dayly done, their husbands bankrupts, if not cuckolds, their wiues light huswiues, daughters dishonest, and heare of such dissolute acts, as daily we doe, how should we think otherwise, what is their end, but to deceiue and inueagle yong men? As tow takes fire, such entising objects produce their effects, how can it bee otherwise? When *Venus* stood before *Anchises* (as *Homer* faines in one of his Hymnes) in her costly robes, he was instantly taken,

¹ Hymno Venus
inducato.

*Cum ante ipsum staret Iouis filia, videns eam
Anchises, admirabatur formam, & stupendas vestes,
Erat enim induta peplo, igneis radijs splendor,
Habebat quoq; torques fulgidos, flexiles halices,
Tenerum collum ambiebant monilia pulchra,
Aurea, variegata.*

When *Venus* stood before *Anchises* first,
He was amaz'd to see her in her tiores,
For she had on a hood as red as fire,
And glittering chaines, and Ivy twisted spires,
About her tender necke were costly bruches,
And neckelaces of gold, inamell'd ouches.

² Argonaut. l. 4.

So when *Medea* came in presence, attended by her Nymphes and Ladies, as she is described by *Apollonius*.

*Cunctas verò ignis instar sequebatur splendor,
Tantum ab aureis fimbrijs resplendebat iubar,
Ascenditq; in oculis dulce desiderium,*

A lustre followed them like flaming fire,
And from their golden borders came such beames,
Which in their eyes prouok'd a sweet desire.

³ Regia domo
ornatus, certan-
tes, sese ac for-
mams suam An-
sonio offerentes,
etc. Cum ornatus
& incredibili
pompa per Cyd-
nus fluvium
navigaret aura-
ta puppi, ipsa ad
similitudinem
Veneris ornata,
puella Gratij
similes, pueri Cu-
pidinibus, Anto-
nim ad visum
stupescit.

⁴ lib. de lib. prop.

⁵ Amictum
Chlamyde & co-
rona, quum pri-
mam aspexit
Cnemonem, ex
potestate mentis
excidit.

⁶ Ruth. 3. 3.

⁷ Cap. 9. 5.

Such a relation we haue in *Plutarch* in the life of *Anthony*, when the Queenes came and offered themselues to *Anthony*, with diuers Presents, and entising ornaments, Asiaticke allurements, with such wonderfull ioy and festiuitie, they did so inueagle the Romanes, that no man could containe himselfe, all was turned to delight and pleasure. The women transformed themselves to *Bacchus* shapes, the men children to *Satyrs* and *Pans*; but *Anthony* himselfe was quite besotted with *Cleopatra's* sweete speeches, philters, beauty, pleasing tiores: for when she sailed along the riuer *Cydnus*, with such incredible pompe in a gilded ship, her selfe dressed like *Venus*, her maiides like the *Graces*, her Pages like so many *Cupids*, *Anthony* was amazed, & rapt beyond himselfe. *Heliodorus* lib. 1. brings in *Damenet* a stepmother to *Cnemon*, whom she saw in his robes and coronet, quite mad for the loue of him. It was *Judiths* Pantofles that rauished the eyes of *Olofernes*. And *Cardan* is not ashamed to confesse, that seeing his wife the first time all in white, he did admire and instantly loue her. If these outward ornaments were not of such force, why doth *Naomi* giue *Ruth* counsell how to please *Booz*? and *Judith* seeking to please *Olofernes*, washed & anoynted her selfe with costly oyntments, dressed her haire, and put on costly attires? The riot in this kinde hath bin excessiue in times past, no man almost came abroad, but curled and anointed,

b Et

^b Et matutino sudans Crispinus amomo,
Quantum vix redolent duo funera, one spent as much as two
 funeralls at once, and with perfumed haire, ^c & rosa canos odorati capillos
Affyrigardo. What strange things doth ^d Sueton relate in this matter of
Caligulas riot? and *Pliny*, lib. 12. & 13. Read more in *Dioscorides*, *Vlmus*, *Ar-*
noldus, *Randoletius de fuco & decoratione*, for it is now an art, as it was of old,
 as ^e *Seneca* records, *officina sunt odores coquentium*. Women are bad, & men
 are worse, no difference at all betwixt their and our times, ^f Good manners, as
Seneca complains, are extinct with wantonnesse, in tricking up themselves
 men goe beyond women, men weare harlots colours and doe not walke, but iet &
 dance, hic mulier, hæc vir, more like Players, Butterflies, Baboons, Apes, An-
 tickes then men, and so ridiculous we are in our attires, and for cost so exces-
 siue, that as *Hierome* said of old, *Uno filo villarum insunt pretia, uno lino deci-*
es sestertium inscribitur, 'tis an ordinary thing to put a thousand Oakes, or an
 hundred Oxen into a sute of apparell, to weare a whole Mannor on his back.
 What with shooe-ties, hangers, points, cappes and feathers, scarffes, bands,
 cuffes, &c. in a short space their whole patrimonies are consumed. *Helio-*
balus is taxed by *Lampridius*, and admired in his age for wearing Jewells in
 his shooes, a common thing in our times, not for Emperours and Princes,
 but almost for seruingmen and taylers: all the flowres, starres, constellations
 gold and pretious stones do condescend to set out their shooes. To repress
 the luxurie of those *Romane* matrons, there was *Lex Valeria* and *Oppia*, and
 a *Cato* to contradict, but no lawes will serue to expresse the pride and inso-
 lency of our dayes, the prodigious riot in this kind. *Lucullus* wardrope is put
 downe by our ordinary cittizens, and a Coblers wife in *Venice*, a Curtesan in
Florence is no whit inferiour to a Queene, if our Geographers say true, and
 why is all this, why doe they glory in their Jewells (as ^h he saith) or exult and
 triumph in the beauty of cloathes, why is all this cost? to incite men the sooner to
 burning lust. They pretend decency and ornament, but let them take heed,
 least whilst they set out their bodies, they doe not damne their soules, 'tis
ⁱ *Bernards* counsell: shine in Jewels, stinke in conditions, haue purple robes, &
 a torne conscience. Let them take heed of *Esayes* prophesie, that their slippers
 and tyres be not taken from them, sweet balles, bracelets, earerings, vailles,
 wimpells, crisping pinnes, glasses, fine linnen, hoods, lawnes, and sweete fa-
 vours, they become not bald, burnt, and stinke vpon a sudden. And let maids
 beware, as ^k *Cyprian* aduise, lest while they wander too loosely abroad, they
 loose not their maidenhead: and like *Egyptian* temples, seeme fayre without,
 but proue rotten carcases within. How much better were it for them to fol-
 low that good counsell of *Tertullian*, ^k To haue their eyes painted with chasti-
 tie, the word of God inserted into their eares, Christs yoke tyed to their haire, to
 subiect themselves to their husbands. If they would doe so, they should be comely
 enough, cloath themselves with the silke of sanctity, damaske of deuotion, purple
 of piety and chastity, and so painted, they shall haue God himselfe to bee a suiter:
 let whores & queanes pranke up themselves, ^m let them paint their faces with
 minion and cerusse, they are but fuell of lust, and signes of a corrupt soule: if yee
 be good, honest, vertuous and religious matrons, let sobriety, modesty and chasti-

tie, taliter pigmentate deum habebitis amatorem. ^m Suas habeant Romana lasciuas, purpurissa ac cerussa ora perungant, somni-
 ta libidinum & corruptæ mentis indicia, vestrum ornatum deo sit, pudicitia virtutis studium, Bossio.

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Plautus.

ⁱ Sollicitiores de
capitis sui decore
quàm de salute,
inter pectinem
et speculum di-
em perdunt; cō-
cinniores esse
malant quàm
honestiores, et
tempus minus
turbare curant
quàm comam.
Seneca.
ⁱ Lucian.

ⁱ Non sic Furi-
us de Gallis, non
Papyrius de Sa-
mitibus, Scipio de
Numantia tri-
umphauit, ac illa
seruicenda in
hoc parte.

ⁱ Anacreon. 4.
solum intemper-
anturum.

ⁱ Perem dū
cas Danae,
et.
ⁱ Ouid.

ty be your honour, and God himselfe your loue and desire. *Mulier recte olet ubi nihil olet*, then a woman smells best, when shee hath no perfume at all, and more credit in a wise mans eye and iudgement they get by their plainnesse, and seeme more fayre then they, that are set out with bables, as a Butchers meat is with prickes, puffed vp and adorned like so many Jayes with variety of colours. It is reported of *Cornelia* that vertuous *Roman* Lady, great *Scipios* daughter, *Titus Sempronius* wife, and the mother of the *Gracchi*, that being by chance in company with a *Campanian*, a strange gentlewoman (some light huswife belike, that was dressed like a May Lady, & as most of our Gentlewomen are, was more sollicitous of her head tyes, then of her health, that spent her time betwixt a combe and a glasse, and had rather be faire then honest (as he said) and haue the commonwealth turned topsie turvie, then her tyres marred) And she did nought but bragge of her fine robes and Jewels, & provoked the *Roman* Matron to shew hers. *Cornelia* kept her in talke til her children came from schoole, and these said she are my iewels, and so deluded & put off a proud, vaine, phantasticall, idle huswife. How much better were it for our matrons to doe as she did, to goe civilly and decently, *ⁱ Honestæ mulieris instar que vititur auro pro eo quod est, ad ea tantum quibus opus est*, to vse gold as it is gold, and for that vse it serues, and when they need it, then to consume it in riot, begger their husbands, prostitute themselves, inueagle others and peraduenture damme their owne soules. How much more would it be for their honour and credit? so doing, as *Hierome* said of *Blesilla*, *P. Furius* did not so triumph over the *Gauls*, *Papyrius* of the *Samnites*, *Scipio* of *Numantia*, as she did by her temperance; *pulchra semper veste*, &c. they should insult & domineere ouer lust, folly, vaine-glory, all such inordinate, furious and vnruly passions.

But I am ouer tedious, I confesse, & whilst I stand gaping after fine cloths there is another great allurements (in the in the worlds eyes at least) which had like to haue stolne out of sight: and that is mony, *veniunt à dote sagitte*, mony makes the match; *ⁱ Μοῦνη ἀγρυπνία ἐλάνουσι*. Many men if they doe but heare of a great portion, a rich heire, are more mad then if they had all the beautilous ornaments, and all those good parts that Art and Nature can afford, they care not for honesty, bringing vp, birth, beauty, person; but for mony. If she be rich, then she is faire, then he burnes like fire, they loue her dearly, like pigge & pie, and are ready to hang themselves if they may not haue her. Nothing so familiar in these dayes, as for a young man to marry an old wife, as they say, for a piece of good; and though she be an old crone, and haue neuer a tooth in her head, neither good conditions, nor good face, a naturall foole, but onely rich, she shall haue twenty yong gallants to be suiters in an instant. As she said in *Suetonius*, *non me, sed mea ambiunt*, 'tis not for her sake, but for her lands or mony; & an excellent match it were (as he added) if she were away. So on the other side, many a yong louely maide will cast away her selfe vpon an old, doting, decrepit dizard, that is rheumaticke and gouty, hath some twenty diseases, perhaps but one eye, one leg, neuer a nose, no haire on his head, wit in his braines, nor honesty, if he haue land or mony, she will haue him before all her other suiters,

ⁱ Dummodo sit dives barbarus ille placet.

If he be rich, he is the man, a fine man, and a proper man, as *Philemasium* in

ⁱ Ari.

† *Aristanctus* told *Emmusus*, *absq; argento omnia vana*, hang him that hath no mony, *tis to no purpose to talke of marriage without meanes*, trouble me not with such motions, let others doe as they will, I be sure to haue one shall maintaine me fine and braue. Most are of her minde, † *De moribus ultima fiet Questio*, for his conditions she shall enquire after them another time, or whē all is done, the match made, and every body gone home. † *Lucians Lycia* was a proper young maid, and had many fine Gentlemen to her suiters, *Etheclus* a Senators sonne, *Melissus* a Merchant, &c. but she forsooke them all for one *Passus* a base, hir sure, bald pated knaue, but why was it? *His father lately died, and left him sole heire of his goods and lands*. This is not amongst your dust-wormes alone, poore snakes that will prostitute their soules for money, but with this bait you may catch your most potent, puissant, & illustrious Princes. † *Iagello* the great Duke of *Lituania*, 1386, was mightily enamored on *Hedinga*, in somuch that he was turned Christian from a Pagan, and was baptized himselfe by the name of *Vladislaus*, and all his subiects for her sake, but why was it? she was daughter and heire of *Poland*, and his desire was to haue both kingdomes incorporated into one. *Charles* the great was an earnest suiter to *Irene* the Empreffe, but, saith * *Zonoras*, *ob regnum*, to annexe the Empire of the East to that of the West. But what is the cuent of all such matches, that are so made for money, goods, or by deceit, or for burning lust, *quos fœda libido coniunxit*, what followes? they are almost mad at first, but 'tis but a flash, as chaffe and strawe soone fired, burne vehemently for a while, but out in a moment, so are all such matches made by those allurements of burning lust; where there is no respect of honesty, parentage, vertue, religion, education, and the like, they are extinguished in an instant, and instead of loue, comes hate; for ioy, repentance, & desperation it selfe. *Franciscus Barbarus* in his first booke *de re uxoria cap. 5.* hath a story of one *Philip* of *Padua* that fell in loue with a common whore, and was now ready to runne madde for her; his father hauing no more sonnes, let him enioy her, & but after a few dayes, the young man began to loath her, could not so much as endure the sight of her, and from one madnesse fell into another. Such cuent commonly haue all such louers, and hee that so marries, and for such respects, let him looke for no better successe, then *Menelaus* had with *Helen*, *Vulcan* with *Venus*, *Theseus* with *Phædra*, *Minos* with *Pasiphae*, and *Claudius* with *Messalina*; shame, sorrow, misery, melancholy, discontent.

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† *Epist. 14.* for-
mam spectat a-
lii per gratias, e-
go pecuniâ &c.
ne mihi negotiâ
faceffe.

† *Juuenalis.*

† *Tom. 4. meri-
dial. multos ama-
tores reuicit, quia
pater eius nu-
ter meritus ac
dominus ipse fa-
ctus bonorum
omnium.*

† *Alexander*

*Gaguinus Sar-
mat. Europ. de-
script.*

* *Tom. 3. annual*

† *Libido statim
deferbuit, fasti-
dium cepit, &
quod in ea tan-
topore adama-
uit, aspernatur,
& ab agniti-
one liberatum in
angorem incidit*

SUBSECT. 4.

*Importunity and opportunity of time, place, conference, discourse,
singing, dancing, musicke, amorous tales, obiects,
kissing, familiarity, tokens, presents,
bribes, promises, protestati-
ons, teares, &c.*

ALL these allurements hitherto are a farre off, and at a distance, I will come neerer to those other degrees of Loue, which are conference, kissing, dalliance, discourse, singing, dancing, amorous tales, obiects, presents, &c. which as so many *Sirens* steale away the hearts of men & wo-

men

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men. For as *Tatius* obserues lib. 2. ^a It is no sufficient triall of a maids affecti-
^a De puellæ vo-
 luntate pericu-
 lum sacre solis
 oculis non est
 satis, sed effica-
 cius aliquid a-
 gere oportet, ibiq;
 etiam machinā
 alteram adhibe-
 re itaq; manus
 tange, digitos
 constringe, atq;
 inter stringen-
 dum suspira, si
 hac agentem re-
 qua se animo se-
 ret, neq; fabula
 huiusmodi per-
 uenit, tum
 vero dominam
 appella, eiusq;
 collum manare.
 on by her eyes alone, but you must say something that shall be more available, and
 use some other forcible engines. Therefore take her by the hand, wring her fin-
 gers hard, and sigh withall, if she take this in good part, and seeme not to be much
 averse, then call her mistress, take her about the necke and kisse her, &c. But this
 cannot be done, except they first get opportunity of liuing, or comming to-
 gether, ingresse, egress, and regresse; letters and commendations may doe
 much, outward gestures, actions: but when they come to liue together in an
 house, loue is kindled on a sudden. Many a seruingman by reason of this op-
 portunity and importunity, inueagles his masters daughter, many a gallant
 loues a Dowdie, many Ladies dote vpon their men, as the Queene in *Ariosto*
 did vpon the dwarfe, many matches are so made in hast and they compelled
 as it were by necessity, which had they beene free, come in company of o-
 thers, or scene that variety which other places afford, or compar'd them to
 others, would neuer haue looked one vpon another. Or had not that oppor-
 tunity of discourse & familiarity beene offered, they would haue loathed
 those and contemned, whom for want of better choice and other obiects,
 they are fatally driuen on, and by reason of their hot blood, idle life, full diet,
 &c. are forced to dote vpon them that come next. And many times those
 which at the first sight cannot fancy or affect each other, but are harsh and
 ready to disagree, offended with each others carriage, & in whom they finde
 many faults, by this liuing together in a house, conference, kissing, colling, &
 such like allurements, begin at last to dote insensibly one vpon another.

It was the greatest motiue that *Potiphars* wife had to dote vpon *Ioseph*, &
^a *Clitophon* vpon *Leucippe* his vnckles daughter, because the plague being at
Bizance, it was his fortune for a time to sojourn with her, to sit next her at
 the table, as he telleth the tale himselfe in *Tatius* lib. 2. (which though it bee
 but a fiction, is grounded vpon good obseruation, and doth wel expresse the
 passions of louers) hee had opportunity to take her by the hand, and handle
 her pappes, &c. ^b which made him almost mad. *Ismerius* the Orator makes
 the like confession in *Eustathius* lib. 1. when he came first to *Sosthenes* house,
 and sate at table with *Cratistes* his friend, *Ismene* *Sosthenes* daughter, wait-
 ing on them with her armes halfe bare, after the Greeke fashion in those
 times, *—*nudos media plus parte lacertos*, as *Daphne* was when she
 fled from *Phabus*, (which moued him much) was euer ready to giue atten-
 dance on him, to fill him drinke, her eyes were neuer off him, but she was still
 smiling on him, and when they were risen, that shee had gotten a little op-
 portunity, ^c she came and drank to him, & withall trod vpon his toes, & would
 come and goe, and when she could not speake for the company, shee would wring
 his hand, and blush when she met him: and by this meanes first she ouercame
 him, *bibens amorem hauriebam simul*, shee would kisse the cup and drinke to
 him, and smile, and drinke where he dranke on that side of the cup, by which
 mutuall compressions, kissings, wringing of hands, treading of feet, &c. *Ipsam*
mibi videbar sorbillare virginem, I sipt, and sipt, and sipt so long, till at length
 I was drunke in loue vpon a sudden. *Philocharinus* in *Aristenetus*, met a faire
 maide by chance, a meere stranger to him, he looked backe at her, she looked
 backe at him againe, and smil'd withall.

* Ille dies lethi primus, primusq; malorum

Causa fuit

It

^a De puellæ vo-
 luntate pericu-
 lum sacre solis
 oculis non est
 satis, sed effica-
 cius aliquid a-
 gere oportet, ibiq;
 etiam machinā
 alteram adhibe-
 re itaq; manus
 tange, digitos
 constringe, atq;
 inter stringen-
 dum suspira, si
 hac agentem re-
 qua se animo se-
 ret, neq; fabula
 huiusmodi per-
 uenit, tum
 vero dominam
 appella, eiusq;
 collum manare.

^a *Tatius* lib. 1.

^b In mamma-
 rum attritu,
 non aspernanda
 inest iucunditas,
 & attritus,
 &c.

* *Ouid.* 1. *Met.*

* *Manus ad cu-
 bitum nuda, co-
 ram astans for-
 eius intuita. Te-
 nuem de pectore
 spiritum ducens,
 digitum meum
 preffit, & bibens
 pedem preffit,
 mutue compres-
 siones corporum,
 labiorum com-
 mixtiones, po-
 dum connexio-
 nes, &c.*

*Et bibit eodem
 loco, &c.*

† *Epist.* 4. *Re-
 specti, respexit &
 illa subridens,
 &c.*

* *Virg.* *Æn.* 4.

it was the sole cause of his farther acquaintance, and loue that vndid him.

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* *O nullis tutum credere blanditijs.*

* *Propertius.*

This opportunity of time and place, with their circumstances are so forcible motiues, that it is vnpossible almost for two young folkes equall in yeares to liue together, and not be in loue, especially in great houses, Princes Courts, where they are idle, *in summo gradu*, fare well, liue at ease, & cannot tell otherwise how to spend their time.

¶ *Illic Hippolitum pone, Priapus erit.* whenas I say, *nox, vinum,* & *adolescētia*, youth, wine, and night shall concurre, 'tis a wonder they bee not all plunged ouer head and eares in loue. If there be seauen seruants in an ordinary house, you shall haue three couple in some good liking at least, & amongst idle persons how shall it be otherwise? *Living at Rome*, saith *Ara- tines* *Lucretia*, in the flowre of my fortunes, *rich, fayre young, and so well brought up, my conuersation, age, beauty, fortune, made all the world admire and loue me.* Night alone, that one opportunity is enough to set all a fire, and they are so cunning in great houses, that they make their best aduantage of it; Many a Gentlewoman, that is guilty to her selfe of her imperfections, paintings, im- postures, will not willingly be seene in the day time, but as *Castilio* noteth, in the night, *Diem ut glis odit, tadarum lucem super omnia mauult.* She hates the day like a dormouse, and aboue al things loues torches and candle light, and if she must come abroad in the day, she couets, as † in a Mercers shop, a very obfuscate and obscure sight. And good reason she hath for it. *Nocte la- tent mende*, and many an amorous gull is fetched ouer by that meanes. *Gome- sius lib. 3. de sale cap. 22.* giues instance in a *Florentine* Gentleman, that was so deceaued with a wife, she was so radiantly set out with rings, and iewels, lawnes and laces, gold spangles, & gaudy devices, that the young man tooke her to be a goddesse, (for he neuer saw her but by torch light) but after the wedding solemnities, when as he viewed her the next morning without her tyres, and in a cleare day, she was so deformed, a leane, yellow, riuel, &c. such a beastly creature in his eyes, that hee could not endure to looke vpon her. Such matches are frequently made in *Italy*, where they haue no other op- portunity to wooe but when they goe to Church, or as † in *Turkie* see them at a distance, they must enterchange few or no wordes, till such time they come to be married, and then as *Sardus lib. 1. cap. 3. de morib. gent.* and † *Bohe- mus* relate of these old *Lacedemonians*, the Bride is brought into the chamber, with her haire girt about her, the Bridegroom comes in, and vnties the knot, & must not see her at all by day light, till such time as he is made a father by her. In those hotter countries these are ordinary practises at this day, but in our Northerne parts amongst *Germans*, *Danes*, *Brittaines*, the continent of *Scan- dia* and the rest, we assume more liberty in such cases, wee allow them as *Bo- hemus* saith, to kisse comming and going, & *modo absit lasciuia, in cauponam ducere*, to talke merrily, sport and play, sing and dance, so that it be modestly done, and goe to the Alehouse and Tauerne together. And 'tis not amisse, though † *Chrysostome*, *Cyprian*, *Hierome*, and some other of the Fathers, speake bitterly against it: but that is the abuse which is commonly seene at some drunken matches, dissolute meetings, or great vnruely feastes.

¶ A young pitiuanted, trimbearded fellowe, saith *Hierome*, will come with a company of complementes, and hold you up by the arme as you

Ecc

goe,

† *Ouid amor. lib. 2. eleg. 2.*

† *Roma viuens flore forura & opulencie mea- etas forma gra- tia conuersatio- nis maxime me fecerunt expe- tibilem, &c.* De aulico lib. 1. fol. 63.

† *Adulterium mercatorum panni.*

† *Biobeq. epist. 3. Paranympa in cubiculum adducta capillos ad cutem refe- rebat, sponsus in- de ad eam in- gressus cingulum soluebat, nec prius sponsam affexit interdū quam ex illa fa- ctus esset pater.*

† *Serm. cont. concub.*

† *Lib. 2. epist. ad filium & uirginem & matrem vidu- am. epist. 10. da- bit tibi barba- tulus quispian- manum, suffe- tabit lassam, & pressis digitis aut tentabitur, &c.*

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Loquetur ali-
us nutibus, &
quicquid metuit
dicere, significa-
bit affectibus.
Inter has tantas
voluptatum il-
lecebras, etiam
ferreas mentes
libido domat.
Difficile inter e-
pulas seruatur
pudicitia.
Clamore ve-
stium ad se in-
uenies vocat, ca-
pilli fasciatis
comprimuntur
crispatis, cingulo
pectus arctatur,
capilli vel in
frontem, vel in
aures defluunt,
pallidum inter-
dum cadit, ut
nudet humeros,
et quasi videri
noluerit, festi-
nans celat, quod
volens detexerit.
Serm. contra
concupisc. In
sancto & reve-
rendo sacra men-
torum tempore
multas occasio-
nes, ut illis pla-
ceant, quicquid
vident, prebeant.
Descript. Brit.
Res est blanda
canor dissonant
cantare puella,
pro facie etc.
Ovid. 3. de arte
amandi.
† Epist. lib. 2.
Cum loquitur
Lais, quanta O-
dy boni, vocis
eius dulcedo.
† Aristanctus
lib. 2. epist. 5.
Quem suave
canit, verbum
audax dixi, om-
nium quos vidi
formosissimus,
utinam amare
me dignetur.
P Images, si
cantantem au-
diens ita demul-
cere, ut paren-
tem & patrie statim obliuiscaris. 9 Edyl. 18. neq. canē ulla sic Cytharam pulsare novit. 5 Puellam cytharā canentem vidimus.

goe, and wringing your fingers, with so bee entised, or entise: one drinks to you, another embraceth, a third kisseth, & all this while the fidler playes or sings a lascivious song, a fourth singles you out to daunce, ¹ one speaks by beekes and signes, and that which he dares not say, signifies by passions: amongst so many & so great provocations of pleasure, lust conquers the most hard & crabbed mindes, and scarce can a man live honest, amongst feasting and sports, or at such great meetings. For as he goes on, ¹ shee walks along, and with the rustling of her clothes, she makes men looke at her, her shooes creake, her pappes tied up, her waste pulled in to make her look small, she is straight girded, her haire hang loose about her eares, her upper garment sometime falls, and sometimes tarrics, to shew her naked shoulders, and as if she would not be seene, she couers that in all haste, which voluntarily she shewed. And not at Feasts, Playes, Pageants, and such assem- blies, ^m but as Chrysostome obiects, these trickes are put in practise, at Service- time in Churches, and at the Communion it selfe. If such dumbe shewes, signes, & more obscure significations of Loue can so moue, what shall they do that haue full libertie to sing, dance, kisse, cull, to vse all manner of discourse and dalliance? The very Tone of some of their voyces, a pretty pleasing speech, an affected tone they vse, is able of it selfe to captiuate a young man; but when a good wit shall concur, Art & eloquence, fascinating speech, plea- sant discourse, sweet gestures, the Syrens themselues cannot so inchant. ⁿ P. Iovius commends his Italian Country-women, to haue an excellent faculty in this kind, aboue all other Nations, & amongst them the Florentine Ladies: some prefer Romane & Venetian Curtisans, they haue such pleasing tongues, & such ^o elegancy of speech, that they are able to ouercome a Saint,

Pro facie multis vox sua lena fuit.

Tantā gratiā vocis famam conciliabat, saith Petronius in his fragment of pure impurities, I meane his Satyricon, tam dulcis sonus permulcebat aëra, ut putares inter auras cantare Syrenum concordiam, Shee sang so sweetly, that she charmed the Aire, and thou wouldst haue thought thou haddest heard a consort of Syrens. O good, God, when Lais speaks, how sweet it is! Philocolus exclaimes in † Aristanctus. To heare a faire young Gentlewoman play vpon the Virginals, Lute, Viall, & sing to it, must needes bee a great entisement. Parthenis was so taken. O sister Harpedona, she laments, I am vndone, † how sweetly hee sings, & le speake a bold word, he is the properest man that euer I saw in my life. O how sweetly he sings, I dye for his sake, O that he would loue me againe! If thou diddest but heare her sing, saith P. Lucian, thou wouldest forget father and mother, forsake all thy friends & follow her. Helena is highly commended by 9 Theocritus the Poet, for her sweet voyce & musicke, none could play so well as she, and Daphnis in the same Edyllion.

*Quam tibi os dulce est, & vox amabilis ô Daphni,
Iucundus est audire te canentem, quam mel lingere.*

How sweet a face hath Daphne, how louely a voyce!

Hony it selfe is not so pleasant in my choyce.

A sweet voyce & musicke are powerfull intisers,

Centum luminibus cinctum caput Argus habebat,

Argus had an hundred eyes, all so charmed by one fillie pipe, that he lost his head. Clitiphon complaines in ^r Tattius, of Leucippus sweet tunes, he heard her

play

play by chauce upon the Lute, & sing a pretty song to it in commendation of a rose, and that ravished his heart. It was Iasons discourse as much as his beauty, or any other of his good parts, which delighted Medea so much.

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— Delectabatur enim

Animus simul formâ, dulcibusq; verbis

It was Cleopatra's sweet voyce, & pleasant speech, which inveagled Anthony, above the rest of her entisements,

† Apollonius.
argonaut. lib. 3.

Verba ligant hominum, ut Taurorum cornua funes, as bulles hornes are bound with ropes, so are mens hearts with pleasant words. Her words burne as a fire, Eccles. 9. 10. Roxolana bewitched Solyman the magnificent; & Shores wife by this engine, overcame Edward the fourth,

† Omnibus unâ omnes surripuit Veneres.

† Catullus.

The wife of Bath in Chaucer confesseth all this out of her experience.

Some folke desire vs for richesse,

Some for shape, some for fairenesse,

Some for that she can sing or daunce,

Some for gentlenesse, or for dalliance.

† Parnodidasca-
lo dial. Ital. La-
tin 1. terp. Cass.
Barthio Ger.

Fingebam hone-
statem piusquam
virginis vestis,
invebar oculis
uxoris, addebam
gestu, &c.

† Tom. 4. dia 1.
merit.

† Amatorius
sermo vehemens
vehementiscudi-
ditatis incitatio
est Tatinus l. 1.

† Aeneas Sylvi-
us. Nulla ma-
china validior
quam lectio las-
civæ historie,
sepe etiam bu-
iusmodi fabulis
ad furorem in-
cenduntur.

† Eustathius l.
1. Pictura pa-
rant animum ad
Venerem &c.

Horatius ad res
veneras intem-
perantior tradi-
tur nam culticu-
lo suo sic specula-
re dicitur habuisse
disposita ut quo-
cumq; respexisset
imaginem coitus
referrent. Sue-
tonius vii. eius.

† Hor.

† Hensius.

† Applico me illis
proximus, &
spisse de oscula-
rum pectus.

† Peter Aretines Lucretia telleth as much and more of her selfe, I counterfeited honesty, as if I had beene virgo virginissima, more then a vestall virgin, I looked like a wife, I was so demure and chaste, I did adde such gestures, tunes, speeches, signes and motions upon all occasions, that my spectators and auditors were stupefied, enchanted, fastned all to their places, like so many stocks and stones. Many silly Gentlewomen are fetched over in like sort, by a company of gullies and swaggering companions, that have nothing in them but a few players ends & complements, that can discourse at table of Knights & Lords combates, like † Lucians Leontiscus, of other mens travels, braue adventures, & such common triviall newes, ride and dance, sing old ballad tunes, & wear their cloths in fashion, with a good grace; a fine sweet Gentleman, a proper man, who could not love him? She will have him though all her friends say no, though she beg with him. Some againe are incensed by reading amorous toyes, Palmerin de Oliva, the Knight of the Sunne, &c. or hearing such tales of louers, & descriptions of their persons, lascivious discourses, set them on fire, with such like pictures or wanton objects in what kinde soever; no stronger engine then to heare or read of love toyes, fables and discourses († one saith) and many by this meanes are quite mad. This belike made Aristotle Polit. lib. 7. cap. 18. forbid yong men to see Comedies, or to heare amorous tales. Ismenius as hee walked in Sophenes garden, being now in love, when hee saw so many lascivious pictures, Theis marriage, and I know not what, was almost beside himselfe. And to say truth, with a lascivious object who is not moved, to see others daily, kisse, dance, and much more when he shall come to be an Actor himselfe.

To kisse and to be kissed, which amongst other lascivious provocations, is a burden in a song, and a most forcible Batterie, a great allurements, a fire it selfe, proœmium aut anticœnium, the prologue of burning lust (as Apuleius addes) lust it selfe, † Venus quintâ parte sui nectaris imbut.

A strong assault, that conquers Captaines, & those all-commanding forces,

† Domalg. ferro sed domaris osculo:

† Aretines Lucretia, when shee would in kindnesse overcome a suter of hers, and have her desire of him, tooke him about the necke and kissed him againe &

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^b Petronius Catalect.^c Catullus ad Lesbiam, da mihi basia mille, deinde centum, &c.^d Petronius.^e Apuleius lib. 10. & Catalect.^f Petronius.^g Apuleius.^h Petronius.

Proseleos ad

Circen.

ⁱ Petronius.^k Animus con-

iungitur, & spi-

ritus etiam no-

ster per osculum

effluit, alterna-

tim se in utriusq;

corpus insinuan-

tes commiscen-

t. Anime po-

tius quam cor-

poris connectio.

^l Lucian Tom. 4.^m Catullus.ⁿ Catullus.^o Catullus.^p Catullus.^q Catullus.^r Catullus.^s Catullus.^t Catullus.^u Catullus.^v Catullus.^w Catullus.^x Catullus.^y Catullus.^z Catullus.^{aa} Catullus.^{ab} Catullus.^{ac} Catullus.^{ad} Catullus.^{ae} Catullus.^{af} Catullus.^{ag} Catullus.^{ah} Catullus.^{ai} Catullus.^{aj} Catullus.^{ak} Catullus.^{al} Catullus.^{am} Catullus.^{an} Catullus.^{ao} Catullus.^{ap} Catullus.^{aq} Catullus.^{ar} Catullus.^{as} Catullus.^{at} Catullus.^{au} Catullus.^{av} Catullus.^{aw} Catullus.^{ax} Catullus.^{ay} Catullus.^{az} Catullus.^{ba} Catullus.^{bb} Catullus.^{bc} Catullus.^{bd} Catullus.^{be} Catullus.^{bf} Catullus.^{bg} Catullus.^{bh} Catullus.^{bi} Catullus.

again, and to that which shee could not otherwise effect, shee made him so speedily and willingly condescend. And 'tis a continuall assault, alwayes a-fresh, and ready to begin as at first, *basium nullo fine terminatur, sed semper recens est*, and hath a fierie touch with it.

^d *Tenta modò tangere corpus,*

Iam tua mellifluo membra calore fluent.

Especially when they shall be lasciuiously giuen, as he feelingly said, & me *pressulum deosculata Fotis.* [†] *Oborto valgi ter labello.*

^{*} *Valgijs suavis.*

Dum semulco suauio,

Me ampuellam suavior,

Anima tunc agra & saucia,

Concurrit ad labia mihi.

The soule and all is moued, ^f *Iam pluribus osculis labra crepitabant, animarum quoque mixturam facientes, inter mutuos complexus animas anhelantes:*

^g *Hesimus calentes,*

Et transfudimus hinc & hinc labellis,

Errantes animas, valete cura.

They breathe out their soules & spirits together with their kisses, saith ^h *Balthasar Castilio*, change hearts and spirits, and mingle affections as they doe kisses, and it is rather a connection of the mind, then of the body. And although these kisses be delightfome and pleasant, *Ambrosian* kisses,

[†] *Sauvolum dulci dulcius Ambrosia,*

such as *Gany-*

medes gaue *Iupiter*, *Nectare suauis*, sweeter then *Nectar*, *Balsome*, *hony*,

^k *Eustachius* 4.

^k *Oscula merum amorem stillantia*, *Loue* dropping kisses, for

The *Gilliflowre*, the *Rose* is not so sweet,

As sugred kisses be when *Louers* meet.

Yet they leaue an irksome impression,

[†] *Catullus*.

[†] *Ut mi ex Ambrosia mutatum iam foret illud*

Sauvolum, tristi tristius Helleboro.

At first *Ambrose* it selfe was not sweeter,

At last blacke *Hellebor* was not so bitter.

^{*} *Eustachius*.

They are deceitfull kisses. ^{*} *Quid me mollibus implicas lacertis?*

Quid fallacibus osculis inescas? &c.

Why do'st within thine armes me lap,

And with false kisses me intrap?

they are destructive, and the more the worse.

^l *Et qua me perdunt, oscula mille dabat.*

They are the bane of these miserable Louers. There be honest kisses, I deny not, *osculum charitatis*, friendly kisses, modest kisses, officious and ceremonial kisses, &c. *Osculi sensus, brachiorum amplexus*, kissing and embracing, are proper gifts of Nature to a man: but these are too lasciuious kisses,

^m *Implicuitq; suos circum mea colla lacertos, &c.* too continu-

ate, and too violent, ⁿ *Brachia non hederæ, non vincunt oscula conchæ.*

they cling like *Ivy*, close as an *Oyster*, billas *Doues*, meretricious kisses, biting of lips, *cum additamento*: *Tam impresso ore* (saith [†] *Lucian*) *ut vix labia detrahant, inter deosculandam mordicantes, tum & os aperientes quoque & mammas attrectantes, &c.* such kisses as she gaue to *Gyton*, *innumera oscula dedit*

^l *Ovid. art. am.**Eleg. 18.*^m *Ovid.*ⁿ *Cum capita**liment solitis**morsuncula, &**cum mamma-**rum morsuncu-**lis. Lip. od. ant.**lec. lib. 3.*^u *Columbatimq;**labia conferen-**tes morsunculis**labiorum.*[†] *Tom. 4. dial.**meretr.*

dedit non repugnant puero, ceruicem invadens, innumerable kisses, &c. More then kisses, or too homely kisses: as those that he spake of, *Accepturus ab ipsa Venere*, 7. *suavia &c.* with such other obscenities, that vaine louers vse, which are abominable and pernicious. If as *Peter de Ledesmo cas. cons.* holds, euery kisse a man giues his wife after marriage, be mortale peccatum, a mortal sinne, or that of * *Hierome*, *Adulter est quisquis in uxorem suam ardentior est amator*, what shall become of all such & immodest kisses and obscene actions, the forerunners of brutish lust, If not lust it selfe? what shall become of the, that often abuse their owne wiues? but what haue I to doe with this?

That which I ayme at is to shew you the progresse of this burning lust: to epitomise therefore all this which I haue hitherto said, with a familiar example out of that elegant *Museus*: Obserue but with me those amorous proceedings of *Leander* and *Hero*. They began first to looke one on the other with a lascinious looke,

Oblique intuens inde nutibus,—

Nutibus mutis inducens in errorem mentem puella.

Et illa e contra nutibus mutis iuuenis

Leandri quod amorem non renuit &c.

Inde

Adibat in tenebris tacite quidem stringens

Roseos puella digitos, ex imo suspirabat

Vehementer— Inde.

Virginis autem bene olens collum osculatus,

Tale verbum ait amoris ictus stimulo,

Preces audi & amoris miserere mei, &c.

Sic fatus recusantis persuasit mentem puella.

With becks and nods he first beganne,

To try the wenches minde,

With becks and nods and smiles againe

An answer he did finde.

And in the darke he tooke her by the hand,

And wrong it hard, and sighed grieuously,

And kissed her too, and wo'd her as he might,

With pittie me sweet heart, or else I dye,

And with such words and gestures as there past,

He wonne his Mistris fauour at the last.

The same proceeding is elegantly described by *Apollonius* in his *Argonauticks*, betwixt *Iason* and *Medea*, by *Eustathius* in his ten bookes of the Ioues of *Ismenius* & *Ismene*, In *Achilles Tatiuss* betwixt his *Clitophon* and *Leucippe*; and in that notable tale of *Petronius* of a Souldier and a Gentlewoman of *Ephesus*, that was so famous all ouer *Asia* for her chastity, and that mourned for her husband: the Souleir woo'd her with such Rhetoricke as Louers vse to doe, — *placitone etiam pugnabis amori, &c.* at last, *frangi pertinaciam passa est*, he got her good will, not only to satisfie his lust, but to hang her dead husbands body on the crosse, which hee watched, instead of the theues which was newly stolne away, whilst he woo'd her in her Cabin. These are tales you will say, but they haue most significant Moralls, and doe well expresse those ordinary proceedings of doting Louers.

Many such allurements there are, Nods, Iests, Winkings, Smiles, Wraustlings

P. Apuleius Miles. 6. Et unum blandientis lingue admulsum longe molitum. & post lib. 11. Arctius eam complexus capis suauari, iamq; pariter patens oris inhalitu cinnameo, & occurrentis lingue illis nectareo &c. Lib. 1. aduers. Iovin. cap. 30. q. Oscula qui sumpsit, si non & cetera sumpsit, &c.

r. Corpus placuit mariti sui tolli ex arca, atq; illa que vacabat cruci affigi.

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lings, Tokens, Favours, Symbols, Letters, Valentines, &c. For which cause belike, *Godfridus lib. 2. de amor.* would not haue women learne to write. Many such provocations are vsed when they come in presence, they will and will not. *Malo mea Galatea petit lasciuia puella,*

Et fugit ad salices & se cupit ante videri.

My Mistris with an apple wooes me,

And hastily to couert goes,

To hide her selfe, but will be seene

With all her heart before, God knowes.

Here so tripped away from *Leander* as onedisplesed,

^a *Marlo.*

^a *Yet as she went full often lookt behinde,*

And many poore excuses did she finde,

To linger by the way,

yet if he chance to ouertake her, she is most averse, nice and coy,

Denegat & pugnat sed vult super omnia vinci,

She seemes not wonne, but wonne she is at length,

In such warres women vse but halfe their strength,

^b *Parnodidas*

Calo dial. Ital.

Latin donat. d

Gasp. Barthio

Germano. quan-

quam naturā &

arte erant for-

mosissima, isto

tamen astutan-

to speciosior vi-

debat. quod enim

oculis cupitum

egre prebetur,

multo magis

affectus huma-

nos incendit.

^c *Quo maiori-*

bus me donis

propitiabat ed

peioribus illum

modis tractabā,

ne basium im-

petrauit &c.

^d *Comes de mō-*

te Turco Hīpa-

nus bas de Ve-

ratione suā par-

tes misit iussit

que per amantem

orare ut hoc

qualecunq; donū

suo nomine ac-

cipias.

^e *Hic artibus*

hominem ita

excantabam, ut

pra me ille

ad omnia pa-

ratus, &c.

^f *Tom. 4. dial.*

merit.

^g *Relicto illo,*

egre ipsi interim

faciens & om-

nino difficilis.

Sometimes they lye open and are most tractable & comming, apt, yeelding and willing to embrace, at such seasons, and to some, as they spy their aduantage; and then close againe, not a looke, not a smile, not a kisse for a king-

dome. ^b *Arctines* *Lucretia* was an excellent Artisan in this kinde, as shee tells her one tale, *Though I was by nature and art most beautifull & faire, yet by these trickes I seem'd to be farre more amiable then I was.* For that which men ear-

nestly seeke and cannot attaine, drawes on their affection with a most furious desire. I had a suiter lou'd me dearly (saith she) and the more he gaue me, the more eagerly he wooed me, the more I seem'd to neglect, to scorne him, and which I commonly gaue others, I would not let him see mee, converse with

me, no not haue a kisse. To gull him the more and fetch him ouer (for him only I aymed at) I personated my owne seruant to bring in a present from a *Spanish* Count, whilst he was in my company, as if he had beene the Counts

seruant, which he did excellently well performe. ^d *Comes de monte Turco* my

Lord and Master, hath sent your Ladship a small present, and part of his hunting,

a peece of Venison, a Pheasant, a fewe Partridges, &c. (all which shee bought with

her owne mony) commends his loue and seruice to you, desiring you to accept of it

in good part, and he meanes very shortly to come and see you. With all she shewd

him rings, gloues, scarfes, coronets, &c. which others had sent her, when there

was no such matter but only to circumuent him. ^e By these meanes (as shee

concludes) I made the poore Gentleman so mad, that he was ready to spend him-

selfe, and venture his dearest blood for my sake. *Philinea* in ^f *Lucian*, practised

all this long before, as it shall appeare vnto you by her discourse, for when

Diphilus her sweetheart came to see her (as his daily custome was) she frow-

ned vpon him, would not vouchsafe him her company, but kissed *Lamprias* as

his corriuall, at the same time & before his face, but why was it? to make him

(as she telleth her mother that chid her for it) more ieaious, to whetten his

loue, to come with a greater appetite, & to knowe that her fauour was not

so easie to be had. Many other trickes she vsed besides this (as she there cō-

fesseth) for she would fall out with him and anger him of set purpose, picke

quarrells vpon no occasion, because she would be reconciled to him againe.

Amantiuna

Amantium ira amoris redintegratio, as the old saying is, the falling out of lovers is the renewing of loue; and according to that of *Aristinatus*, *incurdiores amorum post iniurias delitia*, loue is increased by iniuries, as the sun beames are more gracious after a clowde. And surely this Aphorisme is most true, for as *Ampelis* infor mes *Crisis* in the said *Lucian*,^h *If a louer be not iealous, angry, waspish, apt to fall out, sigh and sweare, he is no true louer.* To kisse and coll, hang about her necke, protest, and wish, are but ordinary symptomes, *incipientis adhuc & crescentis amoris signa*, but if he be iealous, angry, apt to mistake, &c. *benè speres licet*, sweet sister he is thine owne, yet if you let him alone, humour him, and please him, &c. and that hee perceauce once hee hath you sure without any corriuall, his loue will languish, and he will not care so much for you. Hitherto (saith she) can I speake out of experience; *Demophantus* a rich fellow, was a suiter of mine, I seem'd to neglect him, and gaue better entertainment to *Calliades* the painter before his face, *principio abiit verbum me insectatus*, at first he went his waies all in a chafe, cursing & swearing, but at last he came submitting himselfe, vowing and protesting that hee loved me most dearly, I should haue all he had, & that he would kill himselfe for my sake. Therefore I aduise thee (deere sister *Crisis*) and all maides, not to vse your suiters ouer kindly, *insolentes enim sunt hoc cum sentiant*, 'twill make them prowd and insolent, but now and then reiect them, estrange thy selfe, *Vt si me audies semel atq; iterum exclude*, shut him out of doores once and twice, follow my counsell, and by this meanes you shall make him madde, come off roundly, stand to any conditions, & doe whatsoeuer you will haue him. These are the ordinary practises, yet in the said *Lucian*, *Melissa* mee thinkes, had a trick beyond all this; for when her suiter came coldly on, to stir him vp, she writ one of his corriualls names and her owne in a paper, *Melissa amat Hermotimum*, *Hermotimus Melissam*, and caused it to be stucke vpon a post, for all gazers to behold, and lost in the way which hee vsed to walke; which when he perceaued, *statim ut legit credidit*, instantly apprehended it was so, came rauiug to me, &c. and so when I was in despaire of his loue, foure months after I recovered him againe. But who can repeat halfe their deuises? what *Aratine* experienced, what conceited *Lucian*, or wanton *Aristanetus*? They will deny and take, flisty refuse and yet earnestly seeke the same, f repel to make them come with more eagernesse, flye from you if you follow, but if you be averse, as a shadowe they will follow you againe, and haue a thousand such seuerall intisements. for as he saith,

Non est forma satis, nec quæ vult bella videri,

Debet vulgari more placere suis.

Dicta, sales, lusus, sermones, gratia, risus

Vincunt naturæ candidioris opus.

'Tis not enough though she be faire of hewe,

For her to vse this vulgar complement,

But pretty royes and iests, and sawes and froiles,

Are farre beyond what beauty can attempt.

For this cause belike *Philostratus* in his Images, makes diuers loues, some young, some of one age, some of another, some winged, some of one sexe, some of another, some with torches, some with golden apples, some with darts, gannes, snares, and other engins in their hands, as *Propertius* hath prettely painted the

^h Si quis enim nec Zelotypus inicitur, nec pugnat aliquando amator, nec periurat, non est habendus amator. &c. Totus hic ignis Zelotypia constat. &c. maximi amores inde nascuntur. Sed si persuasum illi fuerit, te solum habere, elanguescit illico amor suus.

ⁱ Orientem videri ipsum denud inflammatum & prius insipientem.

^k Et sic cum ferre de illo desperassem, post menses 4, ad me rediit.

^l Petronius Castal.

^m Imagines deorum, fol. 327. varios amores facit quos aliqui interpretantur multiplices affectus & illecebras, alios pueros, puellas, alios facies habentes manibus, alios poma aurea, alios sagittas, alios laqueos, &c.

out, lib. 2. & 29. & which some interpret, diuers entisements, or diuerse affections of Louers, which if not alone, yet ioynly may batter & ouercome the strongest constitutions.

It is reported of *Decius*, & *Valerianus*, those two notorious persecuters of the Church, that when they could inforce a yong Christian by no meanes (as *Hierom* records) to sacrifice to their Idoles, by no torments or promises, they tooke another course to tempt him: they put him into a faire Garden, & let a young Curtesan to dally with him, & shee tooke him about the neck and kissed him, and that which is not to be named, manibusq; attricare, &c. & all those entisements which might bee vsed, that whom Torments could not, Loue might batter. But such was his constancy, shee could not ouercome, & when this last engine would take no place, they left him to his own wayes. At *Barclie* in *Glocestershire*, there was in times past a famous Nunnery (saith *Gualterus Mapes*, an olde Historiographer, that liued 400 yeares since) Of which there was a noble and a faire Lady Abbesse: Godwin that subtil Earle of Kent, trauellling that way, (seeking not her but hers) leaues a Nephew of his, a proper yong Gallant (as if he had beene sicke) with her, till he came backe againe, and giues the young man charge so long to counterfeit, till hee had deflowred the Abbesse, and as many besides of the Nunnes as he could: and leaues him with all rings, iewels, girdles, and such toys to giue them still, when they came to visit him. The young man willing to vndergoe such a businesse, plaid his part so well, that in short space he got vp most of their bellies, and when hee had done, tol his Lord how he had sped. His Lord makes instantly to the Court, tells the King how such a Nunnery was become a bawdie house, procures a visitation, gets them to be turned out, and begges their Lands to his owne vse. This story I doe therefore repeat, that you may see of what force such entisements are, if they be opportunely vsed, & how hard it is euen for the most auerse & sanctified soules to resist such allurements. *John Maior* in the life of *John* the Monke, that liued in the dayes of *Theodosius*, commends the Eremit to haue beene a man of singular continency, & of a most austere life; but one night by chance the Diuell came to his Cell in the habite of a young market wench, that had lost her way, and desired for Gods sake some lodging with him, The old man let her in, and after some common conference of her mishap, she began to inueagle him with lasciuious talke, and iests, to play with his beard, to kisse him, and doe worse, till at last she quite ouercame him. As he went to adresse himselfe to that businesse, she vanished on a suddaine, and the Diuels in the Aire laughed him to scorne. Whether this be a true story, or a tale, I will not much contend, it serues to illustrate this which I haue said.

Yet were it so, that these of which I haue hitherto spoken, and such like entising baites bee not sufficient, there bee many others which will of themselves intend this passion of burning lust, amongst which, Dancing is none of the least; and it is an engine of such force, I may not omit it. *Incitamentum libidinis*, *Petrarch* calls it, the spurre of lust, A circle, of which the Diuell himselfe is the center. Many women that vse it, haue come dishonest home, most indifferent, none better. Another tearmes it the companion of all filthy delights and entisements, and it is not easily told what inconueniencs come by it, what

* Epist. lib. 3.
vita Pauli Ere-
mitae.

† Hec erix spe-
ciosus cepit deli-
catius stringere,
colla complexi-
bus, & corpore
in libidine con-
citato &c.

* Camden in
Glocestershire.

Hic praesent no-
bilis & formosa
Abbatissa, God-
winus comes in
dolo subtilis, non
ipsam, sed sua
cupiens, reliquit
in potem suum,
formae elegantis-
simam, tanquam
infructum donec
reuerteretur in-
fruit, &c.

* Hic impiger
regem adit Ab-
batissam & suas
pragantes edo-
cet, exploratori-
bus missis pro-
bat, & is electus
a domino suo
manerium acce-
pit.

* Post sermones
de casu suo, va-
ritate sermonis
conciliat animu
hominis, man-
us inter colloquia
& risus ad bar-
bam protendit,
& palpare cepit
cervicem suam,
& oculari, quid
muta caputium
ducit militem
Christi. Comple-
xura evanescit,
demonas in aere
monachum rife-
runt.

† Chorea circu-
lus, cuius centru
diabolus.

* Multae inde
impudice domus
rederet, plures

ambiguae, melior nulla.

* Turpius delictum comes est externa saltatio, neq; certe facile distu que mala hinc visus hauriat, & que
pariat colloquia, non, trolos, inconditos gestus, &c.

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scurrile talke, obscene actions, and many times such monstrous gestures, such lasciuious motions, such wanton tunes, meretricious kisses, homely embracings,

— vt Gaditana canoro

Incipiat prurire choro, plausuq; probat e

Ad terram tremula descendant clune puella,

Irritamentum Veneris languentis—

That it will make the Spectators mad. When that Epitomizer of *Trogus* had to the full described and set out King *Ptolomies* riot, as a chiefe engine and instrument of his ouerthrow, he addes *tympanum & tripudium*, fidling & dancing; *the king was not a spectator onely, but a principall Actor himselfe*. A thing neuerthelesse frequently vsed, & part of a Gentlewomans bringing vp, to sing and dance, & play on the Lute-or some such instrument, before she can say her *Pater noster*, or ten Commandements. Tis the next way their Parents thinke, to get them husbands, they are cōpelled to learne, & by that meanes, *Incessus amores De tenero meditantur ungue*; Tis a great allurements as it is often vsed, & many are vndone by it. *Thais* in *Lucian*, inveagled *Lamprias* in a dance. *Herodias* so far pleased *Herod*, that shee made him sweare to giue her what she would aske, *Iohn Baptists* head in a platter. & *Robert Duke of Normandy*, riding by *Falais*, spied *Arlette* a faire maid, as shee was dancing on a greene, & was so much enamored with the obiect, that he must needs lye with her that night. *Owen Tudor* wonne *Queene Catharines* affection in a dance, falling by chance with his head in her lappe. Who cannot parallell these stories out of his experience? *Spensippus* a noble Gallant in *†* that Greek *Aristanetus*, seeing *Panareta* a faire yong Gentlewoman dancing by chance, was so farre in loue with her, that for a long time after he could think of nothing but of *Panareta*, he came rauing home full of *Panareta*: *Who would not admire her, who would not loue her, that should but see her dance as I did? O admirable, O diuine Panareta! I haue seene old and new Rome, many faire cities, many proper women but neuer any like to Panareta, they are drosse, dowie dies all to Panareta, O how she danced, how she tript, how she turn'd, with what a grace! happy is that man shall intoy her. O most incomparable onely Panareta! When Xenophon in Symposio or Banquet, had discoursed of Loue, & vsed all the engines that might be deuised, to moue Socrates, amongst the rest, to stirre him the more, he shuts vp all with a pleasant Enterlude or dance of Dionysius & Ariadne. First Ariadne dressed like a Bride, came in and tooke her place, and by and by Dionysius entred, dancing to the Musicke. The spectators did all admire the yong mans carriage, and Ariadne her selfe was so much affected with the sight, that she could scarce sit. After a while Dionysius beholding Ariadne, and incensed with Loue, bowing to her knees, embraced her first, & kissed her with a grace; she embraced him againe, and kissed with like affection &c. as the dance required: but they that stood by and saw this, did much applaud and commend them for it. And when Dionysius rose vp, he raised her vp with him, and many pretty gestures, and embraces, and kisses, and lone complements passed betweene them; which when they saw faire Bacchus and beautifull Ariadne so sweetly & so vnfaignedly kissing each other, so really embracing, they swore they loved indeed, and were so inflamed with the obiect, that they beganne to rouse vp them-*

lanum ituros, qui non duxerant uxores, iurabant uxores se ducturos, qui autem duxerant, consensu equis iuratis, ut isdem frueretur, domum festinarent.

† Iuv. Sat. 11.

† Iustin. lib. 30.

Adduntur in-

strumenta luxu-

rie, tympana &

tripudia, nec tam

spectator rex,

sed nequitie

magister, &c.

† Hor. lib. 5. od. 6.

† Hauarde vita

eius.

h Of whom

he begat Willi-

am the Conque-

ror, by the same

token thee

tore her mock

downe, saying

&c.

† Epist. 26. quis

no + miratus est

salutem? quis

non vidit & a-

maui? veterem

& novam vidi

Romam, sed libi

similem non i li

Panareta, felix

qui Panareta

frueur, &c.

† Principio Ari-

adne velut spon-

sa prodijt, ac sola

recedit, prodians

illico Dionysius

ad numeros can-

tante libid salta-

bat, admirati

sunt omnes sal-

tantem iuvenē,

ipsaq; Ariadne;

ut vix iouerit

conquiescere, po-

stea vero cum

Dionysius eam

affexit, &c.

† Et autem sur-

rexerit Dionysius,

erexit simul A-

riadnem, lice-

batq; spectare

gestus osculantū

um, & inter se

complectentū,

qui autem spe-

ctabant, &c.

Ad extremum

videntes eos mu-

tuis amplexibus

implicatos &

iamiam a i tha-

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† Lib. 4. de con-
temnend. amor-
ibus.* Ad Anysium
ep. 57.† Intempestivum
enim est, & a
nuptijs abhorrens
inter saltantes
podagricum vi-
dere senem, &
Episcopum.* Rem omnium
in mortalium
vita optimam
innocenter accu-
sare.* Que honesta
voluptatem re-
spicit, aut corpo-
ris exercitium,
contemni non
debet.* Elegantissima
res est, que &
mentem amat,
corpus exerceat,
& spectantes
oblectet, multos
gestus decoros
docens, oculos,
aures, animum
ex equo demul-
tens.† Apuleius l. 10
Puelles, puellas
viventi florentes
et atula, forma
conspicui, veste
nitidi, incessu
gratiosi, grecani-
cam solantes
pyrrhicam, dis-
positis ordinati-
onibus, decoros
ambitus inerra-
bant, nunc in or-
bem flexi, nunc
in obliquam se-
riem connexi,nunc in quadri-
cuncati, nunc in-
de separati, &c.† Lib. 1. cap. 11.
† Vit. Epami-
nonde.

* Lib. 5.

† Read P. Mar-
tyr Ocean De-
cad. Benzo, La-
vius, Haclut,
&c.† 10. Leg. τὴν γὰρ τοιαύτην οὐκ ἔστιν ἡμεῖς, &c. huius causa oportet disciplinam constitui, ut tam pueri quam puella choreas cele-
brent, spectenturque, ac spectent. &c.

selues, as if they would have flowne. At the last when they saw them still, so wil-
lingly embracing, and now ready to goe to the Bride-chamber, they were so ravi-
shed with it, that they that were unmarried, swore they would forthwith marry,
and those that were married, called instantly for their horses, and galloped home
to their wives. What greater motiue can there be to this burning lust? what
so violent an oppugner? Not without a good cause therefore so many graue
men speake against it, & se not the company of a woman, saith Syracides 8.4. that
is a singer or a dancer, neither beare, lest thou be taken in her craftinesse. In circo
non tam cernitur quam discitur libido, as † Hadus holdes, lust in theaters is not
seen, but learned. Gregory Nazianzen that eloquent diuine (* as hee relates
the story himselve) when a noble friend of his solemnely invited him with o-
ther Bishops, to his daughter Olympia's wedding, refused to come; † For it is
absurd to see an old gowty Bishop sit amongst dancers, he held it vnfit to bee a
Spectator, much lesse an Actor. Nemo saltat sobrius, Tully holdes, hee is not a
sober man that danceth; and for that reason belike, Domitian forbade the Ro-
man Senators to dance, & for that fact, remoued some of them from the Se-
nate. But these, you will say, are lasciuious dances, & tis the abuse that cau-
seth such inconvenience. And I doe not well therefore to condemne, speake
against, or innocently to accuse the best and pleasantest thing (so * Lucian calls
it) that belongs to mortall men. You misinterpret, I condemne it not; I hold it
notwithstanding an honest disport, a lawfull recreation, if it bee moderat-
ly & soberly vsed. I am of Plutarchs minde, † that which respects pleasure alone,
honest recreation, or bodily exercise, ought not to bee reiected and contemned: I
subscribe to * Lucian, † it is an elegant thing, which cheareth vp the minde, exer-
cise the body, delights the spectators, which teacheth many comely gestures, e-
qually affecting the eares, eyes, and soule it selfe. Salust discommends singing &
dancing in Sempronia, not that she did sing or dance, but that she did it in ex-
cesse, it is the abuse of it: & Gregories refusall doth not simply condemne it, but
in some folks. Many wil not allow men & women to dance together, because
it is a prouocation to lust: they may as well with Lycurgus and Mahomet, cut
downe all Vines, forbid the drinking of wine, because it makes some men
drunke. I see no such inconuenience, but that they may so dance, if it be done
at due times, and by fit persons. Let them take their pleasures, and as † he said
of old, young men and maides flourishing in their age, faire and lovely to behold,
well attired, and of comely carriage, daunced a Greeke Galliard, and as their dance
required, kept their time, now turning, now tracing, now a-part, now altogether,
now a curtesie, then a caper, &c. and it was a pleasant sight. Our greatest Coun-
sellours, & staid Senators, at some times dance, as David did before the arke.
The greatest Souldiers, as * Quintilianus, † Emilius Probus, * Calius Rhodi-
ginus haue proued at large still vsed it in Greece, Rome, and the most worthie
Senators, cantare, saltare, &c. In this our age it is in much request in those
Countries, as in all ciuill Common-wealthes, † amongst the Barbarians the-
selues nothing so precious, all the World allowes it. † Plato in his commo-
wealth, will haue dancing-schools to be maintained, that young folkes might
meet, be acquainted, see one another, and be seen; nay more, he would haue the
dance naked, and laughes at those that laugh at it. But Eusebius prapar. Evan-

gel.

gel. lib. 1. cap. 11. and Theodoret lib. 9. curat. grec. affect. worthily lash him for it, and well they might: for as one saith,^a The very sight of naked parts, causeth enormous, exceeding concupiscences, and stirres vp both men and women to burning lust, There is a meane in all things, this is my censure in brieft. Dancing is a most pleasant recreation of body and minde, if conveniently vsed; a furious motiue to burning lust, if abused. But I proceed.

If these allurements doe not take place, for * *Simierus* himselfe, that great master of dalliance shall not behaue himselfe better, the more effectually to moue others, and satisfie their lust, they will sweare & lye, promise, protest, forge, counterfeit, bragge, bribe, flatter and dissemble of all sides. 'Twas *Lucretia's* counsell in *Arctine*, *Si vis amica frui, promitte, finge, iura periura, iacta, simula, mentire*, and they put it well in practise, as *Apollo* to *Daphne*,

—† *mihi Delphica tellus*

* *Et Claros & Tenedos, Patareag, regia seruit,
Iuppiter est genitor* —

*Delphos, Claros and Teneas serue me;
And Iupiter is knowne my Sire to be:*

The poorest swaines will doe as much,

* *Molle pecus niuei sunt & mihi vallibus agni.* I have a thousand sheepe, good store of Cattle, and they are all at her commande,

—† *Tibi nos, tibi nostra supellex;*

Rurag, seruiert. —

house, land, goods they are all at her seruice, as he is himselfe. *Dinomachus*, a Senators sonne in ^a *Lucian*, in loue with a wench inferiour to him in birth and fortunes, the sooner to accomplish his desire, wept vnto her, and swore hee loued her with all his heart, & her alone, and that as soone as euer his father died (a very rich man & almost decrepit) he would make her his wife. The maide by chance made her mother acquainted with the businesse, who being an old fox, well experienced in such matters, told her daughter, now ready to yeeld vnto his desire, that he meant nothing lesse, for dost thou thinke that hee will euer care for thee being a poore wench, ^b that may haue his choice of all the beauties in the City, one noble by birth, with so many talents, as young, better qualified, & fairer then thy selfe? Daughter beleue him not: the maide was abasht, and so the matter broke off. It is an ordinary thing too in this case to belie their age, which widdowes vsually doe, that meane to marry againe & bachelours too sometimes to say they are younger then they are. *Charmides* in the said *Lucian* loued *Philematium*, an old maide of 45 yeares, ^c she swore to him she was but 22. next December. But to dissemble in this kinde, is familiar of all sides, and often it takes.

† *Fallere credentem res est operosa puellam.*

tis soone done, no such great mastery, *Egregiam vero laudem & spolia ampla.* —

And nothing so frequent as to belye their estates, to preferre their suites, and to advance themselues. Many men to fetch ouer a young woman, widdowes, or whom they loue, will not sticke to giue out, as he did in *Petro-nius*, that he was master of a ship, and kept so many seruants, and to personate their part the better, take vpon them to be Gentlemen of good houses, well descended and allied, and hire apparell at brokers, some Scauingers, or prick-louse Tailers to attend vpon them for the time, sweare they haue great

^a *Aspectus enim nudorum corporum, tam mares quam feminas irritare solet ad enormes lasciuie appetitus.*

^b *Camden. Annal. A. 1578. fol. 276. Amatoris facietis & illecebris exquisitissimus.*

† *Met. 1. Ouid.*

* *Erasmus egl. mille mei Siculus errant in montibus agni Virg.*

† *Locheus.*

^a *Tom. 4. meris. dial. amare se iurat & lachrimatur, dicens, uxorem me ducere velle quum pater oculos clausisset.*

^b *Quum dotē alibi multo maiorem aspiciet, &c.*

^c *Deierant illa secundum supra vigesimum ad proximum Decembrem completurum se esse.*

† *Ouid.*

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o Nam donis
vincitur omnis
amor Catullus, l.
1. eleg. 5.

possessio, o bribe, lye, cog, & foist, how dearely they loue, how brauely they will maintaine her, like any Lady, Countesse, Dutches, Princeesse, or Queene, they shall haue gownes, tires, iewels, coaches, and caroches, choice diet,

The heads of Parrats, tongues of Nightingales,
The braines of Peacocks, and of Estriches,
Their bath shall be the iuyce of Gilliflowres,
Spirit of Roses, and of Violets,
The milke of Vnicornes, &c.

as old Valpone courted Calia in

the d Comedy, when as they are no such men, not worth a groat, but meere sharkers, to make a fortune, to get their desire, or else pretend loue to spend their idle houres to be welcome, and for better entertainment. The conclusion is, they meane nothing lesse,

P Nil metuunt iurare, nihil promittere curant.
Sed simul ac cupide mentis satiata libido est,
Dicta nihil metuere, nihil periuria curant.

Oathes, vowes, promises, are much protested,
But when their minde and lust is satisfied,
Oathes, vowes, promises, are quite neglected.

When Louers sweare, Venus laughes, *Venus hac periuria ridet.* Iuppiter smiles, and pardons it withal, as e Plato giues out, for of all periury, that alone for loue matters is forgiuen by the Gods. If promises, lyes, oathes, and protestations will not auaille, they fall to bribes, tokens, gifts, and such like feates. *Plurimus auro conciliatur amor:* as Iuppiter corrupted Danae with a golden showre, they will fall in her lappe. And so must hee certainly doe that will speed, make many feasts, banquets, inuitations, send her some present or other euery foot. *Summo studio parentur epulae* (saith e Hædus) & crebra fiant largitiones, he must be very bountifull, and liberall, not to her only, but to all her followers, friends, and familiars, fiddlers, panders, parasites, and household seruants, to all, of all sorts, messengers, porters, carriers, no man must bee vnrewarded. I had a suiter (saith e Arctines Lucretia) that when hee came to my house, flung gold and siluer about, as if it had beene chaffe. Another suiter I had was a very cholericke fellowe, but I so handled him, that for all his fuming, I brought him vpon his knees. If there had beene an excellent bit in the market, any nouelty, fish, fruit, or fowle, muskadell, or malmsey, or a cup of neat wine in all the Citty, it was presented presently to me, though neuer so deare, hard to come by, but I had it: the poore fellowe was so fond at last, that I thinke, if I would, I might haue one of his eyes out of his head. A third suiter was a Merchant of Rome, and his manner of woing was with exquisite musicke, costly banquets, poems, &c. I held him off till at length hee protested, promised, and swore *pro virginitate regno me donaturum*, I should haue all he had, house, goods, and lands *pro concubitu solo*; h Neither was there euer any coniurer I thinke to charme his spirits that vsed such attention, or such mighty words, as he did exquisite phrases, to get the loue of me. Thus men are actiue & passiue, & women are not farre behinde them in this kind.

† For halfe so boldly there can non
Sweare and lye as women can.

f They can cracke, counterfeit and collogue as well as the best, with handkerchiefs, and wrought nightcaps, purses, poesies, and such toyes, as he iustly

com-

e Fox. act. 3.
sc. 7

p Catullus.

q Periuria ridet
amantium Iup-
iter & ventos
irritia ferre in-
bet, Tibul. lib. 3.
e. 6.

e In Philebo, pe-
ierantibus his
dy soli ignoscunt
i Catul.

f Lib. 1. de con-
temnendis amo-
ribus.

g Dial. Ital. ar-
gentum ut pa-
less proiciebat.
Bili. sam habui
amatorem qui
supplex flexus
genibus, &c.

h Nullus recens
affatus terre
fructus nullum
cupediarum ge-
nus tam carum
erat, nullum vi-
num Creticum
pretiosum, quin
ad me ferret il-
lico, credo alte-
rum oculum vig-
nori daturum,
&c.

i Post musicam
opiperas epulas
& tantis iura-
mentis, donis,
&c.

k Nunquam a-
liquis umbrati
coniurator tan-
ta attentione
tamq. potenti-
bus verbis usus
est, quam ille ex-
quisitis mihi di-
ctis, &c.

† Chaucer.

l Ab crudele ge-
nus, nec tutum
femina nomen
Tibul. l. 3. eleg. 4.

complained, *Cur mittis violas? nempe ut violentius urar,*

Quid violas violis me violenta tuis? &c

Why dost thou send me Violets my deare,
To make me burne more violent I feare;
With Violets too violent thou art;
To violate and wound my heart.

When nothing else will serue, their last refuge is their teares. *Hæc scripsi (te-
stor amorem) mixta lachrymis & suspirijs*, twixt teares and sighs I write this
(I take loue to witnesse) saith ** Chelidonia*, to *Philonius*. *Aretines* *Lucretia*,
when her sweet heart came to towne † wept in his bosome, that he might be
perswaded those teares were shed for ioy of his returne. *Quartilla* in *Petronius*,
when nought would moue, fell a weeping, and as *Balsasar Castilio* paints
them out, *u* To these *Crocodiles* teares, they will adde sobbes, fiery sighs, and sor-
rowfull countenance, pale colour, leanenesse, & if you doe but stirre abroad, these
fiends are ready to meet you at euery turne, with such a sluttish neglected habit,
deiected looke, as if they were now ready to dye for your sake, and how, saith he,
shall a young novice thus beset, escape? But belecue them not.

** animam ne crede puellis,*

Namq; est femineâ tutior vnda fide. On the other side, as I haue
said, men are as false, let them sweare, protest, and lye;

** Quod vobis dicunt, dixerunt mille puellis.*

They loue some of
them those eleuen thousand Virgins at once, and make them beleue each
particular, he is befotted on her, or loue one till they see another, and then
her alone: like *Milo's* wife in *Apuleius*, lib. 2. *Si quem conspexerit speciosa for-
ma iuuenem, venustate eius sumitur, & in eum animum intorquet.* 'Tis their
common complement in that case, they care not what they say or doe. One
while they slight them, care not for them, rayle downe right and scoffe at
them, and then againe they will runne mad, hang themselves, stab and kill, if
they may not enioy them. These trickes and counterfeite passions are more
familiar with women, *finem hic dolori faciet aut vita dies, miserere amanti,*
quoth *Phædra* to *Hippolitus*. *Ioessa* in *Lucian*, told *Pythias* a young man, to
moue him the more, that if he would not haue her, she was resolu'd to make
away her selfe. *There is a Nemesis, and it cannot choose but grieue and trouble
thee, to heare that I haue either strangled, or drowned my selfe for thy sake.* No-
thing so common to this sex, as oathes, vowes, and protestations, and as I
haue already said teares, which they haue at command, their eyes are like
rocks, which still dropp water, *diaria lacryme & sudoris in modum turgere
promptæ*, saith ** Aristanetus*, they wipe away their teares like sweat, weepe
with one eye, laugh with the other; or as children ^d weepe and cry they can
both together.

† Nere puellarum lachrymis mouere memento,

Vt flerent oculos erudière suos.

Care not for womens teares I counsell thee,

They teach their eyes as much to weepe, as see.

When *Venus* lost her sonne *Cupid*, shee sent a Cryer about, to bid euery one
that met him take heed.

** Si silentem aspicias, ne mox fallare, caveo,*

Sin arridebit, magis effuge, & oscula sis for-

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** Iovianus Pen.*

** Aristanetus*
lib. 2. ep. 13.

† *Suauiter fle-*
bam, vi persuu-

sum habere la-

chrymas pre

gaudio illius re-

ditum mihi ema-

nare.

Lib 3. His oc-

cedum vultus

subrictus, color

pallidus, gemit-

bunda vox, igni-

ta suspiria, la-

chrymae prape in-

numerales.

Iste se stat m

umbra offundit

tanto squalore et

in omni sere di-

verticulo, tanta

macie, ut illas

iam iam mori-

bundas putet.

** Petronius.*

** Ouid.*

Tom. 4. dial.

merit Tu videri

aliquando ma-

rore officieris,

ubi audieris me

à me ipsa laqueo

tui causâ suffo-

catam aut in

puteum, precipi-

totam.

** Seneca. Hip-*

pol.

Epist. 20. l. 2.

** Matrona*

flet duobus ocu-

lis moniales qua-

tuor, virgines v-

no matricem nū-

lo.

** Ouid.*

** Imagines de-*

orum sol. 33. 2.

** Moschi Amore*

fugitivo, quem

Politianus La-

tinum fecit.

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^a Lib. 3. Mille
vix anni suffice-
rent ad omnes
illas machinati-
ones dolosi, com-
memorandos,
quos viri &
mulieres ut se
inimicem circum-
veniant, excogi-
tare solent.

*Ferre volet, fugito, sunt oscula noxia, in ipsis
Suntq; venena labris, &c.*

Take heed of Cupids teares J thee advise,
And of his smiles and kisses J thee tell,
If that he offer't, for they be noxious,
And very poyson in his lippes doth dwell.

^a A thousand yeares, as Castilio conceaves, will scarce serve to reckon up those
allurements and guiles, that men and women use to deceave one another with.

SUBSECT. 5.

Bawdes, Philters causes.

WHen all other engins fayle, that they can proceed no farther of
themselues, their last refuge is to flye to Bawds, Panders, Magicall
Philters, and receipts, rather then fayle, to the Diuell himselfe.

Flectere si nequeunt superos Acheronta mouebunt.

And by those indirect meanes many a man is ouercome, and precipitated in-
to this malady, if he take not good heed. For these Bawds first, they are eve-
ry where so common, and so many, that as he said of old Croton, ^b omnes hic
aut captantur aut captant, ether inueagle, or be inueagled, we may say of most
of our Citties, there be so many professed, cunning Bawds in them. Besides
bawdery is become an art, or a liberall science, as Lucian calls it, and there be
so many tricks and subtleties, so many nurses, old women Panders, letter ca-
riers, beggers, Physitians, Friers, Confessors employed about it, that nullius
tradere stylus sufficiat, one saith, ——— trecentis versibus

Suas impuritias traliqui nemo potest.

Such occult notes, ^c Steganography, Polygraphy, cunning conveyances in
this kinde, that neither Iuno's Jealousie, nor Danaes custody, nor Argo's vigi-
lancy can keepe them safe. 'Tis the last and common refuge to vse a ^d bawds
helpe, an old woman in the businesse, as ^e Myrrha did when shee doted on
Cyniras, and could not compasse her desire, the old Jade her Nurse was ready
at a pinch, *dic, inquit, opemq; Me sine ferre tibi — & in hac mea (pone timorem)*
Sedulitas erit apta tibi, feare it not, if it bee possible to be done, I will effect it:
let him or her be neuer so honest, watched, and reserved, 'tis hard but one of
these old women will get access: and scarce shall you finde, as ^f Austin ob-
serues, in a Nunnery a maide alone, if shee cannot haue egressed before her win-
dowe, you shall haue an old woman, or some prating Gossip tell her some tales, of
this Clarke, and that Monke, describing, or commending some young Gen-
tleman or other unto her. As I was walking in the street (saith a good fellow
in Petronius) to see the Towne seru'd one euening, & I spied an old woman in a
corner (selling of Cabbages and Roots (as our Hucksters sell Plummes, Apples,
and such like fruits) mother (quoth he) can you tell where I dwell? she being wel
pleased with my foolish urbanity, replied, and why sir should I not tell? with
that she rose up and went before me; I tooke her for a wise woman, and by & by
she led me into a by lane, & told me there I should dwell; I replied againe I knew
not the house, but I perceaued on a sudden by the naked queanes, that I was now
come into a Bawdy house, and then too late I beganne to curse the treachery of this
old

^b Petronius.
[†] Plautus.
^c Tritemius.
^d Catul. eleg. 5.
lib. 1. Venit in
exitium callida
lena meum.
^e Ouid. 10. met.
^f De vit. Erem.
c. 3. ad soverem.
Vix aliquam re-
clusarum huius
temporis solam
inuenies, ante
carnes fenestram
non anus garru-
la, vel nugigeru-
la mulier sedet,
que eam fabu-
lis occipet, u-
moribus pascit,
huius vel illius
monachi, &c.
^g Agreste olus
anus vendebat,
& rogo inquam
mater nunquid
scis ubi ego ha-
bitum? delectata
illa urbanitate
tam stulta, &
quid mi sciam in-
quit? consurrex-
itq; & cepit me
precedere, diui-
nam ego puta-
bam, &c. nudas
video meretri-
ces, & in lupa-
nar me adduc-
tum, sero exe-
cratus anicula
insidias.

old Iade. Such trickes you shall haue in many places, and amongst the rest it is ordinary in *Venice*, and in the Iland of *Zante*, for a man to be Bawde to his owne wife. No sooner shall you land or come on shore, but as the Comical Poet hath it; ^h *Morem hunc meretrices habent;*

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*Ad portum mittunt seruos, ancillulas,
Si qua peregrina navis in portum aderit,
Rogent cuiatis sit, quod ei nomen fiet.
Post illa extemplo sese adplicent.*

^h *Plautus Men-
ech.*

ⁱ *Promissu euer-
berant, molliunt
dulciloquus &
opportunitatem
pus aucupantes
laqueos ingerunt
quos vix Lu-
cretia vitaret,
escam parant
quam, vel satyr
Hippolitus su-
meret, &c. He
sanè sunt virge
soporifera cus-
bis contacte a-
nime ad Orcum
descendant, hoc
gluten quo com-
pacta mentium
ale evolare ne-
queunt, demo-
nis ancille, quæ
solicitant, &c.*

These white Diuels haue their Panders, Bawds and Factors in euery place to seek about, and bring in customers, to tempt and way-lay silly traucellers. And when they haue them once within their clutches, as *Agidius Maserius* in his Comment vpon *Valerius Flaccus* describes them, ⁱ with promises and pleasant discourse, with gifts, tokens, & taking their opportunities, they lay nets which *Lucretia* cannot avoid, and baits that *Hippolitus* himselfe would swallow, they make such strong assaults and batteries, that the Goddess of *Virginity* cannot withstand them: giue gifts, & bribes to moue *Penelope*, & with threats able to terrify *Susanna*. How many *Proserpina's* with these catchpoles doth *Pluto* take? These are the sleepey rods with which their soules touched descend to hell, thus the glew or lime with which the winges of the minde once touched cannot fly away; the Diuells ministers to allure, entice, &c. Many young men and maids without all question are inuegled by these *Eumenides*, and their associates. But these are triuiall and well knowne. The most flye, dangerous, & cunning Bawdes, are your knauish Physitians, Empryckes, Masse-priestes, Monkes, Iesuits, and Friers. Though it be against *Hippocrates* oath, some of them will giue a dramme, and promise to restore maidenheads, and doe it without danger, make an abort if need be, keepe downe their pappes, hinder conception, procure lust, make them able with *Satyrions*, and now and then step in themselves. No Monastery so close, or house so priuate, or prison so kept, but these honest men are admitted to censure & aske questions, to feele their pulse beat at their bed side, and all vnder pretence of giuing Physicke. Now as for Monkes, Confessors, and Friers, as he said,

^k *Non audet Stygius Pluto tentare quod audet
Effraus Monachus, plenag, fraudis anus.*

^k *Æn. Sylvius.*

That *Stygian* *Pluto* dares not tempt or doe,
What an old Hag or Monke will vndergoe.

Either for himselfe to satisfie his own lust, or for another, if he be hired there to, or both at once, hauing such excellent meanes. For vnder colour of visitation, auricular confession, comfort and pennance, they haue free egress & regresse, and corrupt God knowes how many. They haue so many trades some of them, to practise Physicke, to vse exorcismes, &c.

^l That whereas was wont to walke an Elfe,
There now walkes the Limiter himselfe,
In euery bush and vnder every tree,
There needs no other Incubus but he.

^l *Chancer in
the wife of
Bathes tale.*

^m In the mountaines betwixt *Dauphine* and *Sauoy*, the Friers perswaded the good wiues to counterfeite themselves possessed, that their husbands might giue them free access, and were so familiar in those dayes with some of the, that, as one ⁿ obserues wenches could not sleepe in their beds for *Necromantick* Friers: and the good Abbesse in *Bocace* may in some sort witnesse, that mis-

^m *H. Stephanus
Apol. Herod.
lib. 1. cap. 21.*

ⁿ *Bala Puella
in lectis dormire
non poterant,*

too ke

tooke and put on the Friers Breeches instead of her vaile or hat. You haue heard the story. I presume, of *Paulina*, a chaste matrone in *Agesippus*, whom one of *Isis* Priests did prostitute to a young knight, and made her beleue it was their God *Annubis*. Many such prancks are plaid by our *Iesuits*, sometimes in their owne habits, sometimes in others, like souldiers, courtiers, citizens, Schollers, Gallants, & women themselves. *Proteus*-like in al formes, and disguises, they goe abroad in the night, to inescate & beguile young women, or to haue their pleasure of other mens wiues: And if we may beleue some relations, they haue wardropes of seuerall suits in their Colleges for that purpose. How soeuer in publike they pretend much zeale, and seeme to be very holy men, and bitterly preach against adultery, fornication; there are

o Liber edit. Augusti Vindelici-
num A. 1608.

P Quorum animas
lucrum de-
bent deo sacrifi-
cant diabolo.

† M. Drayton
Her. Epist.

† Parnodidascalo
dial. Ital. latin.
fact. a Gasp. Barthio.

Plus sin quam omnes Philo-
phi, Astrologi,
Necromantici,
&c. sola salua
inangens i. am-
plexu & basiu
tam feriose fu-
re, tam bestia-
liter obfusperis
coegi, ut instar
Idoli me adora-
riat.

¶ Sage omnes
sibi arrogant no-
titan & facul-
tatem in amore
alliciendi quos
velint, odia inter
coniuges ferendi,
tempestates ex-
citandi, morbos
insurgendi, &c.

† Idem refert
Hen. Korman-
nus de mir. mort.

lib. 1. cap. 14.

Perditi amavit
mulierulam
quandam, illius
amplexibus ac-
quiescens, summa
cum indignatio-
ne suorum &
dolore.

no verier Bawds or whoremasters in a countrey, P whose soules they should
gaine to God, they sacrifice to the Diuell. But I spare these men for the present.

The last battering Engines, are Philters, Amulets, Spells, Charmes, Images, and such vnlawfull meanes, if they cannot preuaile of themselves by the helpe of Bawds, Panders, and their adherents, they will fly for succour to the Diuell himselfe. I knowe there bee those that deny the Diuell can doe any such thing, as *Crato* lib. 2. epist. med. and many Divines, that there is no other fascination then that which comes by the eyes, of which I haue formerly spoken, and if you desire to be better informed, read *Camerarius* oper. subsc. cent. 2. c. 5. It was giuen out of old that a *Thessalian* wench, had bewitched King *Philip* to dote vpon her, and by Philters enforced his loue, but when *Olympia* the Queene saw the maid of an excellent beauty, well brought vp, and qualified, these, quoth she, were the Philters which inueagled King *Philip*. Those the true charmes, as *Henry* to *Rosamund*,

† One accent from thy lippes the blood more warmes

Then all their Philters, exorcismes, and charmes.

with this alone *Lucretia* bragges in *t Aretine*, shee could doe more then all Philosophers, Astrologers, Alcumists, Necromancers, Witches, and the rest of that crew. As for Herbes & Philters, I could neuer skill of them, The sole philter that euer I vsed, was kissing and Embracing, by which alone I made men raue like beasts stupified, and compelled them to worship me like an Idole. In our times 'tis a common thing, saith *Erastus* in his booke de *Lamijs*, for Witches to take upon them the making of these Philters, ¶ to make men and women loue & hate whom they will, to cause tempests, diseases, &c. by Charmes, Spels, Characters, Knots. St *Hierome* proues that they can doe it, (& in *Hilarus* life, epist. 1. 3. he hath a story of a yong man, that with a Philter made a maid mad for the loue of him, which maide was after cured by *Hilarian*. *Plutarch* records of *Lucullus* that he died of a Philter; & that *Cleopatra* vsed Philters to inueagle *Anthony*, amongst other allurements. *Eusebius* reports as much of *Lucretius* the Poet. *Panormitan* lib. 4. de gest. *Alphonse*, hath a story of one *Stephan* a *Neapolitan* Knight, that by a Philter was forced to run mad for Loue. But of all others, that which † *Petrarch* epist. fam. lib. 1. 5. ep. relates of *Charles* the Great, is most memorable: He foolishly doted vpon a woman of meane fauour & condition, many yeares together, wholly delighting in her company, to the great grieve & indignation of his friends & followers. When she was dead, he did embrace her corpes, and caused her Comin (richly embalmed & decked with Iewels) to be carried about with him, ouer which

still lamented. At last a venerable Bishop that followed his Court, pray'd earnestly to God, (commiserating his Lord and Masters case) to know the true cause of this mad passion, & whence it proceeded. It was reuealed to him in fine, that the cause of the Emperours mad loue lay under the dead womans tongue. The Bishop went hastily to the carcasle, and took a small ring thence; vpon the remoucall, the Emperour abhorrd the Corse, & in steed * of it, fell as furiously in loue with the Bishop, he would not suffer him to be out of his presence: which when the Bishop perceined, he flung the ring into the midst of a great Lake, where the King then was. From that house the Emperour neglecting all his other houses, dwelt at + Ache built a faire house in the midst of the Marsh, to his infinite expence, and a * Temple by it, in which after hee was buried, and in which city all his posterity euer since vs to bee crowned.

Marcus the Heretick is accused by Irenæus to haue inueagled a young maide by this meanes; & some writers speak hardly of the Lady Catherine Cobham, that by the same Art shee circumvented Humfrey Duke of Glocester to bee her husband. Sycinius Amilianus summoned + Apuleius to come before Cneius Maximus, Proconsull of Africke, that he being a poore fellow, had bewitched by Philters Pudentilla an ancient rich matron to loue him, and being worth so many thousand sesterces, to be his wife. Agrippa lib. 1. cap. 48. occult. philos. attributes much in this kind to Philters, Amulets, Images, and Salmutz com. in Pancirol. Tit. 10. de Horol. Leo. Afer lib. 3. saith, 'tis an ordinary practise at Fez in Aspicke. Praestigiatore ibi plures, qui cogunt amores & concubitus. But Erasmus, Wierus, & others, are against it; they grant such things indeed may be done, but (as Wierus discourseth lib. 3. de Lamys cap. 37.) not by Charmes, Incantations, Philters, but the Diuell himselfe; lib. 5. cap. 2. he contends as much; So doth Freitagius noc. med. cap. 74. Andreas Cissalpinus cap. 5. and so doth Sigismundus Scheretzius cap. 9. de hirco nocturno, proue at large. + Vnchast women by the helpe of these witches, The diuels kitchen maides, haue their Loues brought to them in the night, and carried backe againe by a phantasmie flying in the Aire in the likenesse of a goate. I haue heard (saith he) many confesse, that they haue bin so carried on a goates backe to their sweet-hearts, many miles in a night. Many are of opinion, that these feats, which most suppose to be done by Charmes and Philters, are meerey done by naturall causes, as by Mala insana, Mandrake roots, Mandrake apples, precious stones, dead mens clothes, candles, mala Bacchica, panis porcinus, Hippomanes, &c. of which Rhasis, Dioscorides, Porta, Wecker, Rubens, Mizaldus, Albertus treat: of a swallowes heart, dust of a Doves heart, &c. which are as forcible, & of as much vertue, as that fountaine Salmacis in + Vitruvius, that made all such madde for Loue, that dranke of it; or Venus enchanted girdle, in which saith Natales Comes, Loueroyes and dalliance, pleasantnesse, sweetnesse, perswasions, subtilties, gentle speeches, and all witchcraft to enforce loue, was contained. Read more of these in Agrippa de occult. philos. lib. 1. cap. 50. & 45. Malleus malefic. part. 1. quæst. 7. Delrio tom. 2. quæst. 3. lib. 3. Wierus, Pomponatius cap. 8. de Incantat. Ficinus lib. 13. Theol. Plat. Calcagninus &c.

* Et inde totus in Episcopum furens, ubi m. colere.
+ Aquil. rana vultu a. Aixe. Immo sumptu templum & aedes, &c.

* Apolog. Quod Pudentillam viduam dicitur. & pro uelutis etatis feminam cantaminibus in amorem sui persequisset.

+ Impudice mulieres opera veneficium, diaboli coquarum, amatores suos ad se noctu ducunt, & reducant, ministerio bini in aere volantia: multos novi qui hoc fecerunt sunt &c.
+ Mandrake aples. Lemnius lib. herb. bib. c. 2.
+ Lib. 11. cap. 8. Venere implicat eos, qui ex cohibent.
+ Baltheus Veneris, in quo sua uitas & dulcia colloquia, benevolentia & blandicia, suasiones, fraudes, & veneficia includuntur.

MEMB. 3. SUBSECT. 1.

Symptomes or Signes of Loue Melancholy, in body,
Minde, good, bad, &c.

* Ouid. Facit
hunc amor ipse
colorem. Met. 4.
† Signa eius pro-
funditas oculi-
rum, privatio
lacrymarum,
suspensus, sepe vi-
dentur, ac si
quod delectabile
viderent aut
audirent.

† Seneca Hippol.

* Seneca Hippol.

* De morbis ce-
rebro de erat. a-
more. Ob spiri-
tuum distractio-
nem, hepar offi-
cio suo non fun-
gitur, nec verit
alimentum in
sanguinem, ut
debet. Ergo me-
bra debilia, &
penuria alibilis
succum marcescunt,
squalentq, ut
herbe in horto
meo hoc mense
Maio Zerisee,
ob imbrum de-
fectum.

† Amator Em-
blem 3.

* Lib. 4. Animo
errat, & quid-
vis obuium lo-
quitur vigilans
absq, causa sa-
stinet, & succum
corporis subito
amittit.

† Apuleius.

† Chaucer in
the Knights
tale.

Symptomes are either of Body or Minde; of body, palenesse, leannesse,
drinessse, &c.

as the Poet describes Louers: fecit amor maciem, Loue causeth lean-
nesse. y Avicenna de Vish cap. 23. makes hollow eyes, drinessse, Symptomes of this
disease, to goe smiling to themselves, or acting, as if they saw or heard some dele-
ctable object. Valleriola lib. 3. obseruat. cap. 7. Laurentius cap. 10. Alianus Mon-
taltus de Her. amore. Langius epist. 24. lib. 1. epist. med. deliuer as much, corpus
exangue pallet, corpus gracile, oculi cavi, leane, pale,

ut nudis qui presit calcibus anguem,
hollow-eyed. their eyes are hidden in their heads,

† Teneq, nitidi corporis cecidit decor,
and looke ill with waking, cares, sighes,

Et qui tenebant signa Phebeae facis
Oculi, nihil gentile nec patrium micant.

† Nulla iam Cereris subit
Cura aut salutis

A reason of all this, * Iason Pratenfis giues, because of the distraction of the spi-
rits, the Liver doth not performe his part, nor turnes the aliment into blood as it
ought, and for that cause the members are weake for want of sustenance, they are
lean and pine, as the hearbes in my garden doe this month of May for want of
raine. The Greene sicknesse for this cause often happeneth to yong women,
a Cacexia, or an euill habit to men, besides their ordinary sighs, complaints
and lamentations, which are too frequent. as dropes from a Still,

ut occluso stillat ab igne liquor,
prouoke teares from a true Louers eyes.

† ignis distillat in undas.
Testis erit largus qui rigat ora liquor.

With many such like
passions. When Chariclia was inamored on Theagines, as * Heliodorus sets her
out, she was halfe distracted, and spake she knew not what, sighed to her selfe,
lay much awake, and was leane vpon a sudden: and when she was besotted on
her sonne in law, † pallor deformis, marcentes oculi &c. she had vgly palenesse,
hollow eyes, restlesse, shorr winde &c. b Eurialus in an Epistle sent to Lucre-
tia his Mistris, complaines amongst other grieuances, tu mihi & somni, &
cibi usum abstulisti, thou hast taken my stomacke and my sleepe from me. So
he describes it aright.

His sleepe, his meat, his drinke is him bereft,
That leane he waxeth, and dry as a shaft,
His eyes hollow and gristly to behold,
His hew pale and ashen to unfold,
And solitary he was euer alone,
And waking all the night making mone.

Theocritus Edyl. 2. makes a faire maide of Delphos in loue with a young man
of Minde, confesse as much.

*Vt vidi ut inani, ut animus mihi male affectus est,
Miser a mihi forma tabescebat, neq. amplius pompam
Vllam curabam, aut quando domum redieram
Novi, sed me ardens quidam morbus consumebat,
Decubui in lecto dies decem, & noctes decem,
Defluebant capite capilli, ipsaq. sola reliqua
Ossa & cutis.*

No sooner scene I had, but mad I was,
My beauty fail'd, and I no more did care
For any pomp, I knew not where I was,
But sick I was, and euill I did fare,
I lay vpon my bed ten dayes and nights,
A Sceleton I was in all mens sights.

All these passions are well expressed by a that Heroicall Poet in the person of Dido.

*At non infelix animi Phenissa, nec unquam
Soluitur in somnos, oculisq. ac pectore amores
Accipit, ingeminant curae, rursusq. resurgens
Saeuit amor, &c.*

Vnhappy Dido could not sleepe at all,

But lyes awake, and takes no rest.

And vp she gets againe, whilst care & griefe,
And raging loue torments her brest.

Accius Sanazarins Egloga 2. de Galatea, in the same manner faines his Lycoris tormenting of her selfe for want of sleepe, sighing, sobbing, and lamenting. And *Eustathius* in his *Ismenus* much troubled, and panting at heart at the sight of his mistress, hee could not sleepe, his bed was thornes. & All make leanness, want of appetite, want of sleepe ordinary Symptomes, & by that meanes they are brought often so low, so much altered and changed, that as he jesteth in the Comedy, one can scarce know them to be the same men.

Attenuant iuuenum vigilata corpora noctes,

Curaq. & immenso qui fit amore dolor.

Many such Symptomes there are of the Body to discerne Lovers by,

Plus quam mille notis Nympha sensisse feruntur.

but two of the most notable are obserued by the Pulse and Countenance. When *Antiochus* the sonne of *Seleucus* was sicke for *Stratonice* his mother in law, & would not confesse his griefe, or the cause of his disease, *Erasistratus* the Physitian found him by his Pulse and countenance to be in loue with her, because that when she came in presence, or was named, his pulse varied, and he blushed besides. In this very sort was the loue of *Callicles*, the sonne of *Polycles*, discovered by *Panaceus* the Physitian, as you may read the story at large in *Aristenetus*. By the same signes *Galen* bragges, that hee found out *Iusta Boethius* the Consuls wife, to dore on *Pylades* the Player, because at his name still she both altered Pulse and Countenance, as *Poliarctus* did at the name of *Argenis*. *Franciscus Valesius* l. 3. controu. 13. med. contr. denies that there is any such *pulsus amatorius*, or that Loue may be so discerned; but *Avicenna* confirms that of *Galen* out of his experience lib. 3. Fen. 1. and *Gordanius* cap. 20. Their pulse he saith is inordinate, and swift, if shee goe by whom he loues, *Langius* epist. 24. lib. 1. med. epist. *Nevissanus* lib. 4. numer. 66. syl. nupti-

*¶ Dum vaga
passim sidera
fulgent, numeras
longas tetricus
horas, & sollicito
mixtus cubito
suspitando viscera
rumpis.*

*¶ Saliebat crebro
tepida cor
ad aspectum Ismenes.*

*¶ Gordanius c. 20.
amittunt sepe cibum, potum,
& maceratur in eadem totum corpus.*

*¶ Ter. Eunuch.
Dij boni quid hoc est? adeone
homines mutari ex amore, ut non cognoscas eundem esse?*

*¶ Ad eius nomen
rubebat, & ad aspectum pulsus
variabatur.*

† Epist. 13.

† Barck. lib. 1.

Oculi modico tremore errabant.

*¶ Pulsus eorum
velox & inordinatus, si mulier
quam amat, forte
transseet.*

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* Signa sunt
cessatio ab omni
opere inueto,
privatio somni,
suspiria crebra,
rubor cum sit
sermo de re a-
inuat, & com-
motio pulsus.

† Si noscere via-
a homines su-
specti tales sint,
tangito eorum
arterias.

m Amor facit
inaequales, mor-
dinatos.

n In nobilis cu-
iusdam uxore
quum subolface-
rem adulteri a-
more fuisse cor-
reptam, & quā
maritus, &c.

o Cepit illico
pulsus variari
& ferri celerius,
& sic inveni.

† Eunuch. Act. 2
scen. 2.

* Epi. 7. lib. 2.

Tener sudor, &
ereber anhelitus,
palpitatio cordis
&c.

p Lib. 1.

q Lexouienſis
Epiſcopus.

r Lib. 1.

s Lexouienſis
Epiſcopus.

t Lib. 1.

u Lib. 1.

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alis, *Valeſcus de Taranta, Guianerius, Tract. 15.* ſets downe this for a Symp-
tome, * difference of pulse, neglect of buſineſſe, want of ſleepe, often ſighes, blaſb-
ings, when there is any ſpeech of their miſtru, are manifeſt ſignes. But amongſt
the reſt, *Joſephus Struthius* that *Polonian*, in the fifth booke cap. 17. of his do-
ctrine of Pulſes, holdes that this, and all other paſſions of the minde, may be
diſcovered by the Pulſe. † And if you will know, ſaith he, whether the men ſuſpe-
cted be ſuch or ſuch, touch their arteries, &c. And in his 4. booke, 14. chapt. he
ſpeaks of this particular pulſe, m *lowe makes an unequal pulſe &c.* n he giues in-
ſtance of a Gentlewoman, a Patient of his, whom by this meanes hee found
to be much inamored, and with whom: he named many perſons, but at the
laſt when his name came whom he ſuſpected, o her pulſe began to vary, and to
beat ſwifter, & ſo by often feeling her pulſe, he perceived what the matter was.
Apollonius Argonaut. lib. 4. poetically ſetting downe the meeting of *Iaſon &*
Medea, makes them both to bluſh at one anothers ſight, and at the firſt they
were not able to ſpeake.

† totus Parmeno

Tremo, horreoq, poſtquam aſpexi hanc.

Phadria trembled at the ſight of *Thais*, others ſweat, blow ſhort, are trou-
bled with palpitation of heart vpon the like occaſion, cor proximum ori, ſaith
* *Ariſtenetus*, their heart is at their mouth, leapes, &c. they looke pale, red, &
cōmonly bluſh at their firſt cōgreſſe; which very ſigne *Peuſtathius* makes an
argument of *Iſmenes* affection, that when ſhe met her ſweet-hart by chance,
ſhe changed her countenance. † Tis a common thing amongſt Louers, as
q *Arnulphus* that merry-conceited Biſhop, hath well expreſſed in an Epi-
gram of his,

Alternos facies ſibi dat reſponſa rubore,

Et tener affectum prodiit utriq, pudor, &c.

Their faces anſwere and by bluſhing ſay,

How both affected are they doe bewray.

But the beſt coniectures are taken from ſuch ſymptomes as appeare when
they are both preſent; all their ſpeeches, actions, laſciuious geſtures will be-
wray them, they cannot containe themſelues, but that they will bee ſtill kiſ-
ſing. Firſt a word, and then a kiſſe, then ſome other complement, and then a
kiſſe, then an idle queſtion, and then a kiſſe, and when hee hath pumped his
wits dry, and can ſay no more, kiſſing and colling are neuer out of ſeaſon,

* *Hoc non deſicit incipitq, ſemper,* neuer at an end, tam-
other kiſſe, and then another, another, and another, &c.

Centum baſia centies.

Centum baſia millies,

Mille baſia millies,

Et tot millia millies,

Quot gutta ſiculo mari,

Quot ſunt ſydera celo,

Iſtu purpurei genii,

Iſtu turgidulis labris,

Ocellisq, loquacibus,

Figam continuo impetu.

As *Catullus* to *Leſbia*

* *Petron. Catal.*

† *Sed unum ego*

uſq, & unum

Petam a tuis la-

bellis, Poſq, unū

& unum & u-

num, Num dari

rogabo. Lucanus

Anacreon.

* *Henſius.*

† *Henſius.*

‡ *Henſius.*

§ *Henſius.*

|| *Henſius.*

¶ *Henſius.*

⌘ *Henſius.*

Da mihi basia mille, de inde centum,

Dein mille altera, da secunda centum,

Dein vsq; altera millia, deinde centum.

— first giue an hundred,

Then a thousand, then another

Hundred, then vnto the other

Adde a thousand, and so more, &c.

Till you equall with the store all the grasse, &c. As *Venus* did by her *Adonis*, the *Moone* by *Endimion*, they are still dallying and culling, as so many doves,

Columbatimq; labra conferentes labijs,

and that with alacrity and courage,

affligunt auide corpus, iunguntq; saluæ

Oru, & inspirant prensantes dentibus ora.

Tam impresso ore vt vix inde labra detrahant, cervicereclinata, as *Lamprias* in *Lucian* kissed *Thais*, *Philippus* her in *Aristænetus*, amore lymphato tam furiose adhæsit, vt vix labra soluere esset, totumq; os mihi contriuit; *Arctines* *Lucretia*, by a suiter of hers was so saluted, & tis their ordinary fashion.

— dentes illudunt sapè labellis,

Atq; premunt arcè adfigentes oscula.

They cannot, I say, containe themselves, they will be still not only ioyning hands, kissing, but embracing, treading on their toes, &c. diuing into their bosomes, and that libenter & cum delectatione, as *Philostatus* confesseth to his mistress; & *Lamprias* in *Lucian*, *māmillas premens, per sinum clā dextrā*, &c. feeling their paps, and that scarce honestly sometimes: as the old man in the Comedy well obserued of his sonne, *Non ego te videbam manum huic puella in sinum inferre?* Did not I see thee put thy hand into her bosome? goe to, with many such loue tricks. *Inno* in *Lucian*, *deorum dial. 3. Tom. 3.* complaines to *Iupiter* of *Ixion*, he looked so attentiuely on her, and sometimes would sigh and weepe in her company, and when I dranke by chance and gaue *Ganymede* the cup, he would desire to drinke still in that very cup that I dranke of, and in the same place where I dranke, and would kisse the cup, and then looke steadily on me, and some times sigh, and then againe smile. If it be so they cannot come so neere to dally, or haue not that opportunity, familiarity, or acquaintance to conferre & talke together, yet if they come in presence, their eye will betray them: *ubi amor ibi oculus*, as the common saying is.

Alter in alterius iactantes lumina vultus,

Querebant taciti noster ubi esset amor.

They cannot look off whom they loue, they will impregnare eam ipsis oculis, be still gazing & smiling, glancing at her, as *Apollo* on *Leucothoe*, the *Moone* on her † *Endimion*, when she stood still in *Caria*, and at *Latmos* caused her Chariot to be staied. They must all stand and admire, or if she goe by, look after her as long as they can see her, she is *anima auriga*, as *Amacreon* calls her, they cannot goe by her dore or windowe, but as an adamant, she drawes their eyes to it, though she be not there present, they must needs glance yet that way, & look backe to it. *Aristænetus* of *Exithemus*, *Lucian* in his *Imagin.* of himselfe, & *Tatius* of *Clitiphon* say as much, *Ille oculos de Leucippe, † nunquam deiecit*, & many louers confesse when they came in their mistresse presence, they could not hold off their eyes. There is a pleasant story to this purpose in *Nauigat.*

† Translated
or imitated by
M. B. Johnson
our arch-Poet,
in his 119 Ep.

† *Lucret. lib. 4.*

† *Lucian dial.*
Tom. 4. meris,
sed & aperien-
tes, &c.

† *Epist. 16.*

† *Deducto ora*
longo me basio
demulcet.

† *In delicijs mā-*
millas tangit,
&c.

† *Tom. 4. meris.*
dial.
† *Tarent.*

† *Attenti aded*
in me aspectu,
& interdum in-
gemiscebant &
lacrymabantur.
Et si quando bi-
bens, &c.

† *Quique omnia*
cernere debes
Leucothoen spe-
ctas, & virginis
figis in unā,
quos mundo de-
bes oculos, Or.
Met. 4.

† *Lucian. Tom.*
3. quoties ad Ca-
riam venis cur-
rum sistis, & de-
super aspectas,

† *Ex quo is pri-*
um vidi Py-
thia, aliud oculos
vertere non fu-
it.

† *Lib. 4.*

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Vertom. l. 3. c. 5. The Sultan of *Saras* wife in *Arabia*, because *Vertomannus* was faire and white, could not looke off him from sunne-rising to sunne-setting, she could not desist, she made him one day come into her chamber, & *gemina hora spatio intuebatur, non à me unquam aciem oculorum avertibat, me observans veluti Cupidinem quendam*, for two houres space shee still gazed on him. A young man in † *Lucian* fell in loue with *Venus* picture, hee came every morning to her temple, & there continued all day long, * from sunne-rising to sun-set, unwilling to goe home at night, sitting ouer against the Goddess picture, he did continually looke vpon her, and mutter to himselfe I knowe not what. If so be they cannot see them whom they loue, they wil still be walking and waiting about their mistris dores, taking all opportunity to see them, as in *Longus Sophista*, *Daphnis* and *Clœ* too louers, were still hovering at one anothers gates, he sought all occasions to be in her company, to hunt in summer, and catch birdes in the frost about her house in winter, that she might see him, and he her. † *A Kings palace was not so diligently attended, saith Aretines Lucretia, as my house was when I lay in Rome*, the porch and street was euer full of some walking or riding on set purpose to see me, their eye was still vpon my window, as they passed by, they could not choose but looke backe to my house when they were past, and sometime *hem*, or cough, or take some impertinent occasion to speake aloud, that I might looke out and obserue them. Tis so in other places, tis common to euery lover, Tis all his felicity to be with her, to talke with her, he is neuer well but in her company, and will walke † *seuen or eight times a-day through the streete, where she dwels, and make sleeuelesse errands to see her*; And when hee is gone, he thinks euery houre as long as a day, till he see her againe,

† *Tempora si numeres bene quæ numeramus amantes.*

And if thou be in loue, thou wilt say so to, restlesse and impatient; for *Amor non patitur moras*, Loue brookes no delayes: The time's quickly gone that's spent in her company, the miles short, the way pleasant, all weather is good whilest he goes to her house, heate or colde, though his teeth chatter in his head, he moues not, wet or dry, tis all one, wet to the skinne, he feesles it not, cares not at least for it, but will easily endure it, and much more, because it is done with alacrity, & for his Mistris sweet sake, let the burden bee neuer so heauy, Loue makes it light. * *Iacob serued seuen yeares, and it was quickly gone because he loued her*. None so merry, if he may happily enjoy her company, he is in heauen for the time, & if he may not, deiection in an instant, solitary, silent, weeping, lamenting, sighing, complaining.

But the Symptomes of the minde in Louers, are almost infinite, & so diuerse, that no Art can comprehend them, though they be merry sometimes, and rapt beyond themselues for ioy, yet most part, Loue is a plague, a torture, a hell, a bitter sweet passion at last, † *Amor melle & felle est fecundissimus, gustum dat dulcem & amarum*. The Spanis Inquisition is not comparable to it, a torment & execution, as he calls it, in the Poet, an vnquenchable fire, & what not; † *From it, saith Austin, arise biting cares, perturbations, passions, sorrowes, feares, suspitions, discontents, contentions, discords, warres, treacheries, enmities, flattery, cosening, riot, lust, impudence, cruelty, knauery, &c.* These be the companions of Louers, and their ordinary Symptomes, as the Poet repeates them.

† *Dial. Amorum** *Ad occasum**Solis egrè domū**rediens, atq; totū**dies ex ad-**verso deo sedens,**rectos in ipsam**perpetuū oculū-**tum itū di-**rexit, &c.*x *Lib. 3.*† *Regium pala-**tium non tam**diligenti custo-**diā septum**fuit, ac ades me-**as stipabant, &c.*† *Vno & eodem**die sex vel sep-**ties ambulant**per eandem pla-**team, ut vel uni-**co amice sua**fruantur aspectu**lib. 3. Theat.**Alundi.*† *Ouid.** *Gen. 29. 20*† *Plautus Cistel.** *Plautus credo**ego ad hominis**carnificinam a-**morem inuentū**esse.** *De civitat. lib.**22. cap. 20.**Ex eo oriuntur**mordaces cura,**perturbationes,**maiores, formi-**dines, insana**gaudia, discor-**dia, lites, bella,**insidia, iracun-**dia, inimicitie,**fallacie, adula-**rio, fraus, fur-**sum, nequitia,**impudentia.*

b In

*In amore hæc sunt vitia,
Suspiciones, inimicitia, audacia,
Bellum, pax rursum &c.*

*Insomnia, ærumna, error, terror, & fuga,
Excogitantia, excors immodestia,
Petulantia, cupiditas & malevolentia,
Inheret etiam auiditas, desidia, iniuria,
Inopia, contumelia, & dispendium, &c.*

In loue these vices are, suspitions,
Peace, warre, and impudence, detractions,
Dreames, cares, and errors, terrours and affrights,
Immodest pranks, deuices, sleights and flights,
Heart-burnings, wants, neglects, desire of wrong,
Losse continuall, expence and hurt among.

Euery Poet is full of such catalogues of Loue symptomes, but feare and sorrow may iustly challenge the chiefe place. Though *Hercules de Saxonie* cap. 3. *Tract. de melanch.* will exclude Feare from Loue Melancholy, yet I am otherwise perswaded,

Res est solliciti plena timoris amor.

Tis full of feare, anxietie, doubt, care, peeuishnesse, suspicion. They are apt to mistake, too credulous sometimes, and then again very ialous, vnapt to beleeue or entertaine any good newes. The Comickall Poet hath prettily painted out this passage amongst the rest in a Dialogue betwixt *Mitio* & *Æschines*, a gentle father, and a loue-sicke sonne. *M.* Be of good cheare my sonne, thou shalt haue her to wife. *Æ.* Ah father, doe you mocke me now? *M.* I mocke thee, why? *Æ.* That which I so earnestly desire, I more suspect and feare. *M.* Get you home, and send for her to be your wife. *Æ.* What now a wife, now father, &c. These doubts, anxieties, suspitions, are the least part of their torments, they break many times from passions to Actions, speake faire, & flatter, now most obsequious & willing, by and by they are auerse, wrangle, fight, sweare, quarrell, laugh, weepe: and he that doth not so by fittes, * *Lucian* holdes, is not thoroughly touched with this Lodestone of Loue. So their Actions and passions are intermixt, but of all other passions, Sorrow hath the greatest share, Loue to many is bitterness it selfe, *rem amarum*, *Plato* calls it, a bitter potion, a plague.

*Eripite hanc pestem perniciemq; mihi,
Que mihi subrepens imos ut torpor in artus,
Expulit ex omni pectore letitias.*

O take away this plague, this mischiefe from me,
Which as a numnesse ouer all my body,
Expels my ioyes, and makes my soule so heauy.

Phadria had a true touch of this, when he cryed out,

—† O *Thais*, *Vtinam* esset mihi

*Pars aqua amoris tecum, ac pariter fieret, ut
Aut hoc tibi doleret itidem, ut mihi dolet.*

O *Thais* would thou hadst of these my paines a part,
Or as it doth me now, so it would make thee smart.

So had that yong man, when he roared againe for discontent,

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† Ter. Eunucho
c. *Plautus* Met-
sat.

d Ouid.

† Adelp. Act 4.
scen. 5. *M. Bona*
amores, duces
uxorem, hanc
Æschines. *Æ.*
Hem pater, num
tu ludis me.
amice? *M. Egone*
te, *quomobrem*?
Æ. Quid tam
miserè cupio &c.
* *Tom. 4. dial.*
amorum.

c Aristotle 2.
Rhet. puts loue
therefore in
the irascible
part. Ouid.

† Ter. Eunucho
Act. 1. scen. 2.

* *Iactat*.

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Plinius.

* *Iactor, crucior, agitor, stimulator,**Verſor in amoris rota miſer,**Exanimor, feror, diſtrabor, deripior,**Vbi ſum, ibi non ſum; ubi non ſum, ibi eſt animus.*

I am vex't and toſſ'd, and rack't on Loues wheele,
Where not, I am; but where am, doe not ſeele.

Tom.3.

b *Scis quid
poſthac, diſſurus
ſuerim.*

c *Tom.4. dial.
merit. Tryphena.
Amor me per-
dit, neq; malum
hoc amplius ſu-
ſtinere poſſum.*

d *Ariſtarchus
lib.2. epiſt.8.*

The Moone in * *Lucian*, made her mone to *Venus*, that ſhee was almoſt dead for Loue, *perco equidem amore*, and after a long tale, ſhe broke off abruptly, and wept, b *O Venus*, thou knoweſt my poore heart. *Charmides* in c *Lucian*, was ſo impatient, that he ſob'd and figh'd, and tore his haire, and ſaid he would hang himſelf, *I am vndone*, O ſiſter *Tryphena*, I cannot endure theſe loue pang's, what ſhall I doe? *Vos o dij Auerunc*, ſoluite me his curis: O yee gods, free me from theſe cares and miſeries, out of the anguiſh of his Soule, d *Theocles* prayes. Shall I ſay, Moſt part a Louers life is full of anxiety, feare and grieve, complaints and ſighes, ſuſpicions, cares and diſcontents, except at ſuch times that he hath *lucida intervalla*, pleaſant gales, or ſudden alterations, as if his Miſtris ſmile vpon him, giue him a good looke, a kiſſe, or that ſome comfortable meſſage be brought him, his ſeruiſe is accepted &c. then there is no happineſſe in the world comparable to this.

e *Catullus de
Leſbiis.*

f *Quis me uno vivit ſcelicior? aut magis hac eſt
Optandum vitâ dicere quis poterit.*

Who liues ſo happy as my ſelfe? what bliſſe
In this our life may be compar'd to this?

He will not change fortune in that caſe with a King.

g *Hor. ode.9.
lib.3.*

h *Donec gratus eram tibi,
Per ſarum vigui rege beator.*

i *Art.3. ſcen.5.
Ennuch. Ter.*

The *Persian* Kings are not ſo loviall as he is, O e *feſtus dies hominis*, O happy day, as *Cherea* exclames when he came from *Pamphila* his ſweet-heart, well pleaſed, *Nunc eſt proſectò interfici cum perpati me poſſem,*

Ne hoc gaudium contaminet vitâ aliquâ agitudine.

He could finde in his heart to be killed inſtantly, leſt if hee live longer, ſome ſorrow or ſickneſſe ſhould contaminate his ioyes. A little after, hee was ſo merrily ſet vpon the ſame occaſion, that he could not containe himſelfe.

j *Art.5. ſcen.9.*

k *Populares, ecquis me vivit hodiè fortunatior?*

Nemo hercle quiſquam, nam in me diu planè poteſtatem

Suam omnem oſtendere.

Is't poſſible (O my Countrey-men) for any living, to be ſo happy as my ſelfe? No ſure it cannot be, for the gods haue ſhewed all their power, all their goodneſſe in me. Yet by and by when this yong Gallant was croſſed in his wench, he laments and cryes, and roares downe-right. *Occidi* — I am vndone,

Neq; virgo eſt uſquam, neq; ego, qui è conſpectu illam amiſi meo,

Vbi queram, ubi inveſtigem, quem percunctor, quam inſiſtam viam?

l *Lib.1. de con-
cem. amoribus:*

*Si quem alium
reſpexerit ami-
ca ſuavius &
familiarius, ſi
quem alloquuta
ſuerit, ſi nutu
nuncio &c. ſta-
tim cruciatur.*

The Virgin's gone, and I am gone, ſhee's gone, ſhee's gone, and what ſhall I doe? where ſhall I ſecke her, where ſhall I finde her, whom ſhall I aſke? what way, what courſe ſhall I take? what will become of me? Tis not *Chereas* caſe this alone, but his and his, & his, and euery Louers in the like ſtate. If he heare ill newes, haue bad ſucceſſe in his ſute, ſhee frowne vpon him, or that his Miſtris in his preſence, reſpect another more (as g *Hedus* obſerues) preferre a

not her

nother suter, speake more familiarly to him, or use more kindly then himselfe; If by nod, smile, message, she disclose her selfe to another; he is instantly tormen-
ted, none so dejected as he is. ^h Arctines Lucretia made very good prooffe of
this, as she relates it her self. For when I made some of my suters beleue I would
betake my selfe to a Nunnery, they tooke on, as if they had lost father & mother,
because they were for ever after to want my company. Omnes labores leues fue-
re, all other labour is light; but this might not be endured. And so at other
times when an importunate suter came, ⁱ If I had bid my maide say that I was
not at leasure, not within, busy, could not speake with him, he was instantly asto-
nished, and stood like a pillar of marble, another went swearing, chafing, cursing,
foaming; but he to whom I gave entertainment, was in the Elysian fieldes, ravi-
shed for ioy, quite beyond himselfe. T'is the generall humor of all Louers, she
is their sterne Cynosura, Polestarre.

^k Delitiamq. animi, deliquiamq. sui.

As a Tulipant to the Sunne (which our Herbalists call *Narcissus*) when it
shines, is *admirandus flos ad radios solis se pandens*, a glorious flowre exposing
it selfe, ^l but when the Sunne setteth, or a tempest comes, it hides it selfe, pines
away, and hath no pleasure in it (which *Carolus Gonzaga*, Duke of Mantua,
in a cause not vnlike, sometimes vsed for an Imprese) doe all inamorates to
their Mistris, she is their Sunne, their *Primum mobile*: which ^m one elegantly
expressed by a wind mill, still moued by the winde, which hath otherwise no
motion of it selfe, *Sic tua mi spiret gratia truncus ero.*

He is wholly animated from her breath, his fortune ebbes & flowes with her
faueur, a gracious or bad aspect turnes him vp or downe,

Mens mea luce fit Lucia luce tua.

Howsoeuer his present state bee pleasing or displeasing, 'tis continuat so
long as he loues, he can doe nothing, thinke of nothing else but her; desire
hath no rest, she is his *Cynosura*, his goddesse, his mistris, ⁱ his life, his soule, his
euery thing, dreaming, waking, shee is alwayes in his mouth; his heart, eyes,
cares, and all his thoughts are full of her. when ^a *Thais* tooke her leaue of *Phae-*
dria, *mi Phaedria, & nunquid aliud vis?* Sweet-heart
(he said) will you command me any further seruice? he readily replied, and
gave this in charge, *egone quid velim?*

Dies, noctesq. ames me, me desideres,

Me somnes, me expectes, me cogites,

Me speres, me te oblectes, mecum tota sis,

Meus fac postremo animus, quando ego sum tuus.

Dost aske (my deare) what seruice I will haue?

To loue me day and night is all I craue,

To dreame on me, to expect, to thinke on me,

Depend and hope, still couet me to see,

Delight thy selfe in me, be wholly mine;

For know my Loue, that I am wholly thine.

But all this needed not, you will say, if she loued him, she will, she can, she
must thinke and dreame of nought els but him, continually of him, as did *Or-*
phens on his *Euridice*,

Te dulcis coniux, te solo in litore mecum,

Te veniente dic, te discedente canebam.

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^b Parnodidasc.
dial. Ital. Patre
& matre se sin-
guli orbos ceuse-
bant, quod meo
contubernio ca-
rendum esset.
^t Ter. ius ca-
rendum quod
erat.

ⁱ Si responsum
esset dominam
occupatam esse
aliqua vacaret,
ille statim vix
hoc audito, ve-
lut in marmore

obriguit, alii se
damare, &c
at chi favebam,
in campis Elysiis
esse videbatur,
&c.

^k Laccheus.
^l Sole se oculi-
tante, aut tem-
pestate venien-
te, statim claudi-
tur ac langues-
cit.

^m Emblem. amat.
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ⁱ Anima non est
ubi animat, sed
ubi amat.
^a Ter. Eunuch.
Act. 1. sc. 2.

On thee sweet wife was all my song,
Morne, Eueing, and all along.
And Dido vpon her *Aeneas*.

— & *qua me insomnia terrent,
Multa viri virtus, & plurima currit Imago.*

And euer and anon, she thinkes vpon the man,
That was so fine, so faire, so blith, so debonaire.

Clitiphon in the first booke of *Achilles Tatius*, complaineth how that his
Mistris *Leucippe* tormented him much more in the night, then in the day.

* *Interdum oculi
& aures occu-
pata, distrahunt
animum, at no-
ctis solus iactor,
ad auroram,
somnia paulum
misertus, nec ta-
men ex animo
puella abiit, sed
omnia mihi de
Leucippe somnia
erant.*

For all day long hee had some object or other to distract his senses, but in the
night all ranne vpon her. All night long he lay & awake, and could thinke of no-
thing else but her, he could not get her out of his mind, towards morning, sleepe
ooke a little pittie on him, he slumbred a while, but all his dreames were of her.

— & *te nocte sub atrâ
Alloquor, amplector, falsa q̃, in Imagine somni,
Gaudia sollicitam palpat evanida mentem.*

In the darke night I speake, embrace and finde,
That fading ioyes deceiue my carefull minde.

The same complaint *Eurialus* makes to his *Lucretia*, day & night I thinke of
thee, I wish for thee. I talke of thee, call on thee, looke for thee, hope for thee, de-
light my selfe in thee, day and night I loue thee.

† *Tota hæc no-
ctis somnum hinc
oculis non vidi.*

Ter.

† *Buchanas.*

Sylu.

† *Aeneas Sylvius.*

Te dies, noctesq̃

amo, te cogito, te

desidero, te vovo,

te exspecto, te

spero, tecum ob-

lecto me, totus

in te sum.

in Hor. lib. 2.

ode 9.

† *Petronius.*

* *Tibullus lib. 3.*

¶ *gl. 3.*

† *Ouid. Fast. 2.*

ver. 775.

* *Virg. Aen. 4.*

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That impression of her beauty is still fixed in his mind,
— * *herent infixi pectore vultus.* as hee that is
bitten with a mad dog, thinkes all he sees dogges, dogges in his meat, dogges
in his dish, dogges in his drinke, his mistris is in his eyes, cares, heart, in all his
senses. *Valleriola* had a merchant his Patient in the same predicament; & *U-*
ricus Molitor out of *Austin*, hath a story of one, that through vehemency of
his loue passion, still thought he saw his mistris present with him, she talked
with him; *Et commisceri cum eâ vigilans videbatur*, still embracing him.

Now if this passion of loue can produce such effects, if it be pleasantly in-
tended, what bitter torments shall it breede, when it is with feare and conti-
nuall sorrow, suspicion, care, as commonly it is, still accompanied, what an in-
tolle.

tollerable paine must it be?

— Non tam grandes

Gargara culmos, quot demerso

Pectore curas longâ nexas

Vsq; catenâ, vel quæ penitus

Crudelis amor vulnera miscet.

Mount Gargarus hath not so many stemmes,

As Louers brest hath grievous wounds,

And linked cares, with loue compounds.

When the King of Babylon would haue punished a courtier of his, for louing
of a young Lady of the royall blood, and farre aboue his fortunes, ¹ Apollo-
nius in presence, by all meanes perswaded to let him alone, For to loue and not
enjoy, was a most unspeakable torment, no tyrant could invent the like punish-
ment; as a gnat at a candle, in a short space he would consume himselfe. For
Loue is a perpetuall flux, angor animi, a warfare, militat omnis amans, a grie-
uous wound is loue still, and a Louers heart is Cupids quiuer, a consuming
fire, accede ad hanc ignem, &c. an inextinguible fire.

— talitur & crescit malum,

Et ardet intus, qualis Etnæo vapor

Exundat antro —

As Etna rageth, so doth Loue, & more then Etna, or any materiall fire.

— Nam amor sæpè Lypareo

Vulcano ardentior em flammam incendere solet.

No water can quench this fire. — In pectus cæcos absorbit ignes,

Ignes qui nec aquâ perimi potuere, nec imbre

Diminui, neq; graminibus, magicisq; susurris.

A fire he tooke into his brest,

Which water could not quench,

Nor herbe, nor Art, nor Magicke spells,

Could quell, nor any drench.

It strikes like Lightning, which made those old Gracians paint Cupid in many
of their Temples, with Iupiters thunder-bolts in his hands, for it wounds, &
cannot be perceiued how, whence it came, where it pierced.

— Vimur, & cæcum pectora vulnus habent,

And can hardly be discerned at first. — Est mollis flamma medullas,

Et tacitum insano viuit sub pectore vulnus.

A gentle wound, an easie fire it was,

And slie at first, and secretly did passe.

But by and by it began to rage and burne amaine.

— b Pectus insanum vapor

Amorq; torret, intus fæuus vorat

Penitus medullas, atq; per venas meat

Visceribus ignis merfus, & venis latens,

Vt agilis altas flamma percurrit trabes.

This fiery vapour rageth in the veines,

And scorseth entralls, as when fire burnes

An house, it nimble runs along the beames,

And at the last the whole it ouerturnes,

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P Iuno nec ira
deum tantum,
nec tela, nec
hostis, quantum
tute potes animis
illapsus Silius
Iul. 15. bel. Pa-
n. de amore.

¹ Philostratus
vita eius. Ma-
ximum tormen-
tum quod exce-
gitare vel docere
te possum, est
ipse amor.

² Anselmus, c. 39

³ Et cæco carpi-
tur igne. Et mihi
sepe offert ultro
meus ignis A-
myntas.

⁴ Ter. Eunuch.

⁵ Seneca Hyppol.

⁶ Theocritus

edyl. 2. leuibus

cor est violabile

telus.

⁷ Mantuanus

edyl. 2.

¹ Imagines deo-

rum.

² Ouid.

³ Æneid. 4.

⁴ Seneca.

Abraham

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Abraham Hofemannus lib. 1. amor. coniugal. cap. 2. pag. 22. relates out of Plato, how that Empedocles the Philosopher was present at the cutting vp of one that died for Loue, † his heart was combust, his Liver smoakie, his lungs dried vp, in so much that he verily beleened his soule was either sod or roasted, through the vehemency of Lones fire. Which belike made a moderne Writer of Amorous Emblemes, expresse Lones fury by a pot hanging ouer the fire, and Cupid blowing the coales. As the heate consumes the water,

* Sic sua consumit viscera cecus amor.

so doth Loue dry vp his radical moisture. Another compares Loue to a melting Torch, which stood too neere the fire.

† Sic quo quis propior sue puella est,

Hoc stultus propior sue ruina est.

The nearer he vnto his Mistris is,

The neerer he vnto his ruine is.

So that to say truth, as Castilio describes it. The beginning, middle, ende of Loue is nought else but sorrow, vexation, torment, irksomenesse, wearisomenes, so that to be squalid, ugly, miserable, solitary, discontent, dejected, to wish for death, to complaine, rave, and to be peeuish, are the certaine signes, and ordinary actions of a loue sicke person. This continuall paine and torture, makes them forget themselves, if they be farre gone with it, in doubt, despaire of obtaining, or eagerly bent, to neglect all ordinary businesse.

—* pendent opera interrupta, minag.

Murorum ingentes, equatq; machina celo.

Loueficke Dido left her works vndone, so did † Phedra, — Palladis tela vacant Et inter ipsas pensa labuntur manus. And tis the humour of them all, To be carelesse of their persons, and their estates, as the sheepeerd in ^d Theocritus, Et hæc barba inculta est squalidq; capilli, their beards flagge, and they haue no more care of pranking themselves, or of any businesse, they care not as they say, which end goes forward.

* Oblitusq; greges, & rura domestica totus

erratur, & noctes in luctum expendit amaras.

Forgetting flocks of sheepe and country farmes,

The silly shepheard alwaies mournes and burnes.

Loueficke † Cherea when he came from Pamphila's house, and had not so good welcome as he did expect, was all amort, Parmeno meets him, quid tristis es? why art thou so sad man, vnde es? whence com'st, how doest? but he sadly replies, Ego hercle nescio neq; vnde eam, neq; quorsum eam, Ita prorsus oblitus sum mei. I haue so forgotten my selfe, I nether knowe where I am, nor whence I come, nor whether I will, what I doe. P. * How so? Ch. I am in loue. He that erst had his thoughts free (as Philostratus Lemnius in an Epistle of his, describes this fiery passion) and spent his time like a hard student, in those delightfull Philosophicall precepts, hee had with the Sunne and Moone wandered all ouer the world, with Starres themselves ranged about, and left no secret or small mystery in nature vnsearched, since he was inamored, can doe nothing now but thinke and meditate of loue matters, day and night composeth himselfe how to please his mistris, all his study, endeavor, is to approue himselfe to his mistris, to winne his mistris fauour, to compass his desire, to be counted her seruant. Now to this end and purpose, if there bee any hope of obtaining his suit, to prosecute

† Cor totum combustum, i. e. cur suffumigatum, pulmo arefactus, ut credam miseram illam animam his elixam aut combustam, ob maximum ardorem quem patiuntur, ob ignem amoris

* Emblem. A. mat. 4. & 5. † Grotius.

Lib. 4. nam istius amoris neq; principia neq; media aliud habent quid,

quam molestias, dolores cruciatus, defatigationes, adeo ut miserum esse merore,

gemitu, solitudine torqueri, mortem optare, semperq; debacchari,

sunt certa amantium signa & certe actiones.

* Virg. Æn. 4. † Seneca Hippol. act.

d Edyll. 14. c Mant. eclog. 2

f Ouid met. 13 de Polyphemum

erit oblitus pecuniarum suorum

Iamq; tibi formæ &c.

† Ter. Eanuch. * Qui queso,

Amo.

§ Qui olim cogitabat que vellet & pulcherrimis Philosophicæ præceptis operam insumpsit, qui

universi circuitiones celiq; naturam, &c.

Hanc unam intendit operam, de sola cogitat

noctes & dies se componit ad hanc, & ad a-

cerbam seruitutem redactus animus.

prosecute his cause, he wil spend himselfe, goods, fortunes for her, & though he lose and alienate all his friends, be cast off, and disinherited, vtterly vndone by it, goe a begging, yet for her sweet sake, to inioy her, he will willingly beg, hazard all he hath, goods, lands, and life it selfe.

*Non recedam neq. quiescam noctu & interdiu,
Prius profecto quam aut ipsam, aut mortem inuestigauero,
Ile never rest or cease my sute,
Till she or death doe make me mute.*

Parthenis in *† Aristenetus* was fully resolved to doe as much. I may haue better matches I confesse, but farewell shame, farewell honour, farewell honesty, farewell friends and fortunes, &c. *O Harpedona* keepe my counsell, I will leaue all for his sweet sake, I will haue him say no more, *contra gentes*, I am resolved, I will haue him. 'Tis a common humour this a generall passion of all louers to be so affected, and which *Emilia* told *Aratine* a courtier in *Castilios* discourse, *h* surely *Aratine*, if thou werst not so indeed, thou didst not loue, ingeniously confesse, for if thou hadst beene thoroughly enamored, thou wouldst haue desired nothing more then to please thy mistress. For that is the law of loue, to will and nil the same, *† Tantum velle & nolle, velit nolit quod amica.*

Vndoubtedly this may be pronounced of them all they are very slaues, drudges for the time, mad men, fooles, and disards, *† atrabiliary*, beside themselves, and as blinde as beetles. Their *i* dotage is most eminent, *Amare simul & sapere ipsi loui non datur*, as *Seneca* holds *Iupiter* himselfe cannot loue and be wise both together, the very best of them all, if once they bee ouertaken with this passion, the most staid and discrete, graue, generous and wise, otherwise able to gouerne themselves, in this commit many absurdities, many indecorums, vnbecfitting their grauity and persons. *Sampson*, *David*, *Solomon*, *Hercules*, *Socrates*, &c. are iustly taxed of indiscretion in this point, the middle sort are betwixt hawke and buzzard, & although they doe perceauce and acknowledge their owne dotage, weaknesse, furie, yet they cannot withstand it; as well may witnesse those expostulations, and confessions of *Dido* in *Virgil*

a Incipit offari mediag, in voce resistit.

Phædra in *Seneca*,

b Quadratio poscit, vincit ac regnat furor,

Myrrha in ** Ouid.*

Potensq. tota mente dominatur deus.

illa quidem sentit, fædog, repugnat amor,
Et secum quo mente feror, quid molior, inquit,
Dy precor, & pietas, &c.

She sees & knowes her fault, and doth resist,
Against her filthy lust she doth contend,
And whither goe J, what am I about?
And God forbid, yet doth it in the end.

Againe

— Per vigil igne,
Carpitur indomito, furiosaq. vota retractat,
Et modo desperat, modo vult tentare, pudetq.,
Et cupit, & quid agat, non inuenit, &c.

With raging lust she burnes, and now recalls
Her vow, & then despaires, & when 'tis past,
Her former thoughts she'l prosecute in hast,
And what to doe she knowes not at the last.

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† Epist. lib. 6.
Valeat pudor,
ualeat honestas,
ualeat honor,
&c.

h Lib. 2. Cent
vix credam, &
bonâ fide salea-
re Aratine, te
non amasse adeo
vehementer, si
enim verè a-
masses, nihil pri-
us aut potius op-
tasses, quàm a-
mate mulieri
placere. Ea enim
amoris lex est
idem velle &
nolle.

† Stroza fil.
Epig.

† Quippe hæc
omnium ex atrâ
bile & amore
proveniunt. Ia-
son Fratenfis.

Immensus a-
mor ipsa stultitia
est. Carden lib. 2
de sapientiâ

a Virg. Æn. 4.
b Seneca Hy-
sol.
** Met. 10.*

410 She will and will not, abhorres; and yet as *Medea* did, doth it.

Trahit invitam nova vis, aliudq; cupido

Mens aliud suadet, video meliora, proboq;

Deteriora sequor. —

Reason pulls one way, burning lust another,
She sees and knowes what's good, but she doth neither.

† *Buchanan.*

† *O frans, amorq; & mentis emota furor,*

Quò me abstulisti?

The major part of louers are carried headlong like so many brute beasts, reason counsels one way, their friends, fortunes, shame, disgrace, danger, & an Ocean of cares that will certainly follow; yet this furious lust, *præcipitates*, counterpoiseth, weighes downe on the other: though it bee their utter vndoing, perpetuall infamy, losse, yet they will doe it, & become at last, *insensati* voide of sence; degenerate into dogs, hogges, asses, brutes; as *Iupiter* into a Bull, *Apuleius* an Ass, *Lycæon* a wolfe, *Tereus* a Lap-wing, *Calisto* a beare, *Elpenor* & *Grillus* into Swine by *Circe*. For what els may we thinke those ingenious Poets to haue shadowed in their witty fictions & Poems, but that a man once giuen ouer to his lust (as *Fulgentius* interprets that of *Apuleius*, *Alciat* of *Tereus*) is no better then a beast.

Rex fueram, sic crista docet, sed sordida vita,

Immundum è tanto culmine fecit avem.

I was a king, my Crowne a witnesse is,
But by my filthinesse am come to this.

Their blindness is all out as great, as manifest as their weaknes & dorage, or rather an inseparable companion, an ordinary signe of it. ⁿ Loue is blind, as the saying is, *Cupids* blind, and so are all his followers.

Quisquis amat ranam, ranam putat esse Dianam.

Euery Louer admires his Mistris, though shee be very deformed of her selfe, ill fauoured, wrinkled, crooked, dry, bald, gogle-eyed, or squint-eyed, sparrow mouthed, hooke nosed, or haue a sharpe foxe nose, a red nose, great nose, a nose like a promontory, gubber-tushed, rotten teeth, beetle-browed, a Wittches beard, her breath stink all ouer the roome, her nose drop winter & summer, with a *Bavarian* poke vnder her chin, a sharpe chin, laue eared, *pendulis mammis*, her dugges like two double iugges, bloody-falne-fingers, she haue filthy long vnpared nailes, scabbed hands or wrists, a ranned skinn, a rotten carkasse, crooked backe, lame, splea-footed, as slender in the middle as a cow in the waste, gowrie legges, her ankles hang ouer her shooes, her feete stinke, she breed lice, a very monster, an aufe imperfect, her whole complexion fauours, an harsh voice, incondite gesture, vile gate. (*siqua latent meliora puta*) and to thy iudgement lookes like a marde in a lanthorne, whom thou couldest not fancy for a world, but hatest, loathest, & wouldest haue spit in her face, or blow thy nose in her bosome, *remedium amoris* to another man, a dowdy, a slut, a nasty, filthy, beastly queane, dishonest peradventure, obscene, base, beggerly, foolish, vntaught, peeuish: if he loue her once, he admires her for all this, he takes no notice of any such errors or imperfections, of body or mind, he had rather haue her then any woman in the world. If he were a king she alone should be his Queene, his Empresse. O that hee had but a carran of Diamonds, a chaine of pearle, a caskanet of Jewels, (a paire of calfe skinn

gloues

^a An inmost woman is like a Beare.

¹ *Feram induit diuinosa comedit, i. dum ad se redeat.*

^m *Alciatus de upupa Embl.*

Animal immundum upupa stercora auans, aue hanc nihil fedius, nihil libidinosius Sabir. in Ouid. Met.

ⁿ Loue is like a false glasse which represents euery thing fairer then it is.

charade

gloues of 4^d a paire were fitter or some such toy to send her for a token; the should haue it with all his heart; he would spend myriades of Crownes for her sake. *Venus* her self, *Panthea*, *Tarquins Tanaquil*, or **Mary of Burgundy* if she were aliue. (*Vincet vultus hæc Tyndaridos,*

Qui mouerunt horrida bella.

Let *Paris* him-

selfe be iudge) *Helena* come short; your counterfeite Ladies were neuer so faire as she is.

† *Quicquid erit placidi, lepidi, grati, atq; faceti,*

Vivida cunctorum retinet Pandora deoram;

What e're is pretty, pleasant, facete, well,

What e're *Pandora* had, she doth excell.

Ephemerus in *Aristanetus*, so farre admireth his Mistris good parts, that hee makes proclamation of them, & challengeth all commers in her behalfe.

† Who euer saw the Beauties of the East, or of the West, let them come from al quarters, all, and tell truth, if euer they saw such an excellent feature as this is. Most of your louers are of his opinion. She is *nulli secunda*, a rare creature, a *Phoenix*, the sole Commander of his thoughts, his onely delight, as * *Triton* now feelingly sings, that loue-sicke Sea-god,

Candida Leucothoe placet & placet atra Melane;

Sed Galatea placet longè magis omnibus una.

Faire *Leucothoe* black *Melane* please me wel,

But *Galatea* doth by oddes the rest excell.

All the gracious elogies, Metaphors, Hyperbolicall comparisons of the best things in the world, the most glorious names, whatsoeuer, I say, is pleasant, amiable, sweet, gratefull, and delicious, are too little for her.

Phæbo pulchrior & sorore Phæbi

His *Phoebe* is so faire, she is so bright,

She dimmes the Sunnes lustre, and Moones light.

Starres, Sunnes, Moones, Mettals, sweet smelling flowres, Odours, perfumes Colours, Gold, Silver, Iuory, Pearles, pretious Stones, Snow, painted Birds, Downes, Hony, Sugar, Spice, cannot expresse her, so soft, so radiant, sweet, so faire is she.

— *Mollior cuniculi capillo &c.*

Lydia bella, puella candida,

Quæ benè superas lac & lilium,

Albamq; simul rosam & rubicundam;

Et expositum ebur Indicum.

Fine *Lydia* my mistris white and faire,

The milke the lilly doe not thee come neere,

The rose so white, the rose so red to see,

And *Indian* Iuory comes short of thee;

Such a description our English *Homer* makes of a fayre Lady.

† That *Emilia* that was fairer to scene,

Then is Lilly vpon the stalk greenes;

And fresher then May with flowres new,

For with the Rose colour stroue her hew,

I not which was the fairer of the two.

In this very phrase a *Polyphemus* courts his *Galatea*.

Candidior folio nives Galatea ligustri;

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* The daughter and heire of *Carolus Magnus*.

† *Seneca* in *Octavia*.

† *Lachem*.

† *Epist. 12. Quis unquam formas vidit orientis, quis occidentis, veniant undiq; omnes, & dicant veraces, an tam insignem viderint formam. Calceagami dial. Galat.*

o *Caullum*.

† *Petrus* in *Carale*.

† *Chaucer* in the *Knights tale*.

† *Ovid. met. 13.*

Floridior

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*Floridior prato, longâ procerior alno,
Splendidior vitro, tenero læscunior hado, &c.
Mollior & cigni plumis, & lacte coactio.*

Whiter Galat then the white withy-winde,
Fresher then a field, higher then a tree,
Brighter then glasse, more wanton then a kidde,
Softer then Swannes downe, or ought that may be.

To thy thinking she is a most lothsome creature, thou hadst as leiuue haue a
snake in thy boosome, a toad in thy dish, and callest her witch, diuell, hagge, &
all the filthy names thou canst inuent, he admires her on the other side, shee
is his Idole, Lady, Mistris, Queene, the quintessence of beauty, an Angell, a
Starre, a Goddesse,

** Quando quam
Lucifer, aurea
Phebe, Tanto
virginibus con-
spexior omnibus
Horce. Ouid.*

** M.D. Son. 36
* Martial. lib. 5
Epig. 38.*

** Thou art my Vesta, thou my Goddesse art,
Thy hollowed temple only is my hart.*

the fragrancie of a thousand Curtesians is in her face: *Nec pulchra effigies hæc
Cypridis aut Stratonices*, Tis not *Venus* picture that as you suppose, but his di-
vine mistris, to whose seruice he is wholly consecrate, whõ he alone admires.

** Cui comparatus indecens erit paruo,
Inamabilis sciurus, & frequens Phœnix.*

To whom confer'd a Peacocks vndecent,
A Squirrels harsh, a Phœnix too frequent.

all the graces, veneres, elegances, pleasures, attend her. Hee preferres her be-
fore a Myriade of Court Ladies.

** Ariosto.*

** He that commends Phillis or Nerea,
Or Amarillis, or Galatea.
Tityrus or Melibea, by your leave,
Let him be mute, his loue the prayes haue.*

All the bumbast Epithetes, adiuncts, incomparably faire, curiously neat, di-
vine, sweet, dainty, delicious, &c. diminutiues, *corculum, suauiolum, &c.* plea-
sant names may be inuented, bird, mouse, lambe, pus, pigeon, pigney, kidde,
loue, doue, &c. he puts on her. And as ** Rhodomant* courted *Isabella*,

** Ariosto, l. 29.
lib. 2.*

*By all kinde words, and gestures that he might,
He calls her his deare heart, his sole beloued,
His ioyfull comfort, and his sweet delight.
His mistris, and his goddesse, and such names,
As louing Knights apply to lonely dames.*

Every cloath shee weares, euery fashion pleaseth him aboue measure, her
hand, *o quales digitos, quas habet illa manus*, pretty foot, pretty co-
ronets, her sweet carriage, sweet voice, tone, her diuine and louely looks,
her euery thing, louely, sweet, amiable, and pretty: euery action, site, habit,
gesture, he admires, whether she play, sing, or dance, in what tyres soeuer she
goeth, how excellent it was, how well it became her, neuer the like scene or
heard.

** Tibullus.*

** Mille habet ornatus, mille decenter habet.*

Let her weare what she will, doe what she will, say what she wil, he applauds
and admires euery thing she weares, faith, or doth.

** Tibullus lib. 4.
de Sulpicia.*

** Illam quicquid agit, quoquod vestigia vertis,
Composuit furtim subsequiturq; decor;
Sensoluit crines, sensis decet esse capillis,
Sensu compsit, comptis est reuerenda comis.*

What

What ere she doth, or whether ere she goe,
A sweet & pleasing grace attend forlooth;
Or loose or binde her haire, or combe it vp,
She's to be honourd in what she doth.

^a *Vestem induitur, formosa est, exuitur, tota forma est.* Let her be dressed or vndressed, all is one, she is excellent still, beautifull, faire, and louely to behold. Women doe as much by men. Nay much more, farre fonder, weaker, and that by many passages. Come to me my deare Lycias (saith Musarum in ^b *Aristanetus*) come quickly sweet heart, all other men are Satyres, meere clownes, blockheads to thee, no body to thee: thy lookes, words, gestures, actions, &c. are incomparably beyond all others. I could repeat centuries of such. Now tell me what greater dotage, or blindness can there be then this in both sexes? and yet their slavery is more eminent, a greater signe of their folly then the rest.

They are commonly slaues, captiues, voluntary seruants, amator amice mancipium, as ^c *Castilio* tearmes him, his mistris seruant, her drudge, prisoner, bondman, what not? Hee composeth himselfe wholly to her affections to please her, and as *Emilia* said, makes himselfe her lacky. All his cares, actions, all his thoughts, are subordinate to her will and command, her most deuote, obsequious, affectionate seruant and vassall. For loue (as ² *Cyrus* in *Xenophon* well obserued) is a meere tyranny, and worse then any disease, and they that are troubled with it desire to be free and cannot, but they bee harder bound then if they were in yron chaines. For what greater captiuitie or slavery can there be (as ^c *Tully* expostulates) then to be in loue? Is he a free man ouer whom a woman domineers, to whom she prescribes laws, commands, forbids what shee will her selfe that dares deny nothing she demands; she asks, he giues; she calls, he comes; she threatens, he feares; nequissimum hunc seruum puto, I account this man a very drudge. And as he followes it, ^d *Is this no small seruitude for an inamorante* to be euery houre combing his head, stifning his beard, perfuming his haire, washing his face with sweet waters, painting, curling, and not to come abroad but sprucey crowned, decked, and apparelled? Yet these are but toyes in respect to goe to the Barber, Bath, Theatres, &c. hee must attend vpon her where ever she goes, runne along the streets, and by her dores and windowes to see her, & come every day to her house (as he will surely doe if he be truly enamored) and offer his seruice, and follow her vp and downe from roome to roome, as *Lucretia's* tutors did, he cannot containe himselfe but hee will doe it, he must and will be where she is, next her, talking with her. ^e *If I did but let my gloue fall by chance* (as the said *Aratines* *Lucretia* bragges) *I had one of my suiters, nay two or three at once ready to stoupe and take it vp, to kisse it, and with a lowe congye deliuer it vnto me, If I would walke, another was ready to staine me by the arme. A third to provide fruits, pearres, plummes, cherries, or what soeuer I would eat or drinke.* All this and much more he doth in her presence, and when he comes home tis all his meditation to recount with himselfe all her actions, words, gestures, what entertainment hee had, how kindly she vsed him in such a place, how shee simil'd, how shee graced him, & that infinitely pleased him, or else how she reiected his seruice, denied him a kisse, disgraced him, &c. and that as effectually torments him. And these are his exercises betwixt combe and glasse, &c. these his cogitations till hee see her againe. But all this is easie and gentle, and the least part of his labour and

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* Lib. 1. de con-
tem. amor: quid
referam eorum
pericula & cla-
des, qui in ami-
carum sedes per-
fenebras ingressi
stillecidia, &
gressi inde, de-
turbati se dant
precipites, mem-
bra frangunt,
collidunt, aut a-
nimam amit-
tunt.

† Ter. Eunuch.
Act. 5. Sc. 3.

* Paratus sum
ad obuiadam
mortem, si tu in-
beas, hanc sum
estuantis, sed a-
quem tuum si-
dus perdidit, a-
que & fontes
non negant, &c.
b Si occide-
re placet ferrum
meum vides, si
verberibus con-
senta es, curro
nudus ad po-
enam.

* Gaster Ens.
puellam miserè
deperiens, per-
iocum ab ea in
Padum desili-
re iussus, statim
à ponte se preci-
pitavit. Alius
Ticini insano a-
more ardens, ab
amicà iussus se
suspendere illico
fecit.

* Intelligo pecu-
niam, rem esse
iucundissimam
meam tamen li-
bentius darem
Cliniæ quam
ab aliis ascipe-
rem, libentius
huic servirem,
quam aliis im-
perarem, &c.
Noctem & som-
nū accuso, quod
illum non vide-
am, luci autem
& soli gratiam
habeo quod mi-
hi Cliniam ostendant.

Ego etiam cum Clinia in ignem currerem & scio vos quod, mecum ingressuros si videretis. a In simpos.

* Impera quid vis, navigare iube, naue[m] conscendo, plagas accipere, plector, animam profundere, in ignem currere, non recuso, iubens facio.

Famulamq.

bondage, no hunter will take such paines for his game, fowler for his sport, or souldier to sacke a citty, as he will for his mistris fauour, goe, runne, ride many a mile to meet her, day and night, in a very darke night endure heate, cold, wait in frost and snowe, tempests, sustaine hunger, thirst,

(*Roscida per tenebras Faunus ad antrā venit*) for her sweet sake he feesles it not. what shall I say (saith Hadus) of their great dangers they vndergoe, single combats they undertake, how they will venture their liues, creepe in at windowes, gutters, climbe ouer walls to come to their sweet hearts, and if they be surprised, leap out at windowes, cast themselves headlong downe, brusing or breaking their legges or armes, and sometimes losing life it selfe. Heare some of their owne confessions, protestations, complaints, profferes, exostulations, wishes, brutish attempts, labours in this kinde. *Hercules* serued *Omphale*, put on an aporne, tooke a distaffe and spunne. *Thraso* the souldier was so submisse to *Thais* that he was resolu'd to doe whatsoeuer she enioyned. † *Ego me Thaidi dedam, & faciam quod iuber*, I am at her seruice. *Philostratus* in an Epistle to his mistris, a *I am ready to dye sweet heart if it be thy will, alay his thirst whom thy starre hath scorched and vndone, the fountaines and riuers deny no man drinke that comes, the fountaine doth not say thou shalt not drinke, nor the apple thou shalt not eat, nor the faire meddowe walke not in me, but thou alone wilt not let me come neere thee, or see thee, contemned and despised I dye for grieffe.* *Poliemus* when his mistris *Curce* did but frowne vpon him in *Petro-nius*, drewe his sword, and bad her b kill him or stabbe him, or whippe him to death, and he would strip himselfe naked and not resist. * *Galeatus* of *Mantua* did a little more: for when he was almost mad for loue of a faire maid in the citty, she to trye him belike what he would doe for her sake, bad him in iest leape into the riuer *Po* if he loued her, he forthwith did leap headlong off the bridge and was drowned. Another at *Ficinum* in like passion, when his mistris by chance (thinking no harme, I dare sweare) bad him goe hang, the next night at her dores hanged himselfe. c *Money*, (saith *Xenophon*) is a very acceptable & welcome guest, yet I had rather giue it my deare *Clinia*, then take it of others, I had rather serue him, then command others, I had rather bee his drudge, then take my ease, vndergoe any danger for his sake, then liue in security. For I had rather see *Clinia* then all the world besides, and had rather want the sight of all other things, then him alone, I am angry with the night and sleepe that I may not then see him, and thanke the light and Sunne because they shewe me my *Clinia*. I will runne into the fire for his sake, and if you did but see him, I knowe that you likewise would runne with me. So *Philostratus* to his mistris. Command me what you will I will doe it, bid mee goe to Sea, I am gone in an instant, take so many stripes, I am ready, runne through the fire, and lay downe my life and soule at thy feet, tis done. So did *Eolus* to *Iuno*.

— Tuus & regina quod optas,

Explorare labor mihi iussa capeffere fas est.

O Queene it is thy paines to inioyne me still,

And I am bound to execute thy will.

And *Phadra* to *Hippolitus*.

c Me vel sororem Hippolite aut famulam voca,

Famulamq; potius omne seruitium feram.

O call me sister, call me seruant, chuse

Or rather seruant, I am thine to vse.

Non me per alt as ire si iubeas niues,

Pigeat gelatis ingredi Pindi iugis,

Non si per ignes ire aut infesta agmina

Cuncter paratus & ensibus pectus dare,

Te nunc iubere, ne decet iussa exequi.

It shall not grieue to the snowy hills

Or frozen Pindus tops forthwith to clime,

Or runne through fire, or through an arme,

Say but the word for I am alwaies thine.

Callicratides in *Lucian* breakes out into this passionate speech, O God of hea-
ven, grant me this life for ever to sit ouer against my mistress, and to heare her
sweet voice, to goe in and out with her, to haue euery other busines common with
her. I would labour when shee labours, saile when shee sailes, be that hates her
should hate mee, and if a tyrant killed her, hee should kill mee, if shee should dye, I
would not liue, and one graue should hold vs both.

Finiet illa meos moriens morientis amores,

Abrocomus in *Arrianus* makes the like petition for his *Delphia*.

Tecum viuere amem tecum obcam lubens, 'Tis the same
straine which *Theagines* vseth to his *Chariclea*, so that I may but inioy thy loue
let me dye presently. *Leander* to his *Hero*, when he besought the sea-waues to
let him goe quietly to his loue, and kill him comming backe.

Parcite dum propero, mergite dum redeo. 'Tis the common
humour of them all, to contemne death, to wish for death, to confront death
in this case. Thirteene proper young men lost their liues for that faire *Hippo-*
darnias sake, the daughter of *Onomachus* king of *Elis*, when that hard condition
was proposed of death or victory, they made no account of it, but corragi-
ously for loue died, till *Pelops* at last wone her by a slight. As many gallants
desperately adventured their dearest bloods for *Atalanta* the daughter of
Schanius, in hope of marriage, all vanquished and overcome, till *Hippomenes*
by a fewe golden apples happely obtained his suite. *Persus* of old, fought
with a Sea monster for *Andromeda's* sake; and our *S. George* freed the Kings
daughter of *Sebea* (the golden Legend is mine author) that was exposed to a
Dragon, by a terrible combate, our Knights errant, and the *Sr Lancelots* of
our dayes, I hope will aduenture as much for Ladies fauours, as the Knight
of the Sunne, *Sr Benis* of Southampton, or that renowned peire,

Orlando, who long time had loued deare

Angelica the fayre, and for her sake

About the world, in nations farre and neere,

Did high attempts, performe and undertake,

They will sure
they will, for it is an ordinary thing for these enamorado's of our times, to
say & doe as much, to stab their armes, carouse in blood, challenge to fight
for their mistresses sake, to drinke the healths vpon their bare knees. If shee bid
them they will goe barefoot to *Ierusalem*, to the great *Chams* court, to the
East Indies, to fetch her a bird to weare in her hat: and with *Drake* & *Candish*
goe round about the world for her sweet sake, *adversis ventis*, serue twice fe-

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Seneca in

Hipp. act. 2.

Huius ero vi-

uus, mortuus hu-

ius ero, Propert.

lib. 2. viam si

viuat si cadat

il' a cadam. Id.

i Dial. Amoy.

miki o dii cele-

stia ultra sit vi-

ta hec perpetua

ex aduerso ami-

ce sedere sua-

ve loquentem

audire, &c. si

moria ur inue-

re non sustinebo

& idem erise-

pulebrum vtriusq;

Buchanan.

o Epist. 21. Sic

hoc votum a di-

is amare Del-

phidem ab eia-

mari adloqui

pulebram, &

loquentem au-

dire.

Hor.

9 Mart.

Ovid. 10. met.

Hirginus c. 185.

Arist. lib. 1.

edat. 1. Pass. 7.

Lesbia sex Cy-

athis septem In-

stina bibatur.

As Xanthus

for the loue of

Eurippe, omnem

Europam pera-

gavit. Parthe-

nus Erot. cap. 8.

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Beroaldus &
Bocatio.

Epist. 17. l. 2.

^m Aeneas Sil-
vius, Lucretia
gium accepit
Euriali literas
hilaris statim
millesq; papyra
basavit.
^u Medius, in se-
ruit papillis li-
teram eius mille
prius pangens
suavia. Arist. 2.
epist. 13.
ⁿ Plautus Af-
nar.

† Illa domi se-
dens, imaginem
eius fixis oculis
assidue conspi-
cata.

† Buchanan.
Sylva.

o Happy ser-
vants that
serve her, hap-
py men that
are in her co-
pany.

^p Non ipsos so-
lum sed ipsorum
memoriam a-
mant. Lucian.

^e Epist. O. ver se-
lix. olim beatus
ego, si me calca-
veris vultus tu-
us amara sifera
posset, &c.

seven yeares as *Jacob* did for *Rachel*; doe as much as ^t *Gismunda* the daughter of *Tancredus* prince of *Salerna*, did for *Guiscardus* her true love, eat his heart when he died; and endure more torments then *Thesens* or *Paris*. Et his colitur *Venus* magis quam tunc & victimis, with such sacrifices as these (as ^t *Ariste- netus* holds) *Venus* is well pleased and pacified. Generally they undertake any paine, any labour, any toyle, for their mistress sake, love and admire, a servant not to her alone, but to all her friends and followers, they love them for her sake, her dogge, picture, and every thing she weares, they adore it as a relique. If any man come from her, they feast him, reward him, will not be out of his company, doe him all offices, still remembring, still talking of her. So the very carrier that comes from him to her is a most welcome guest, and if he bring a letter, she will read it twenty times over, and as ^m *Lucretia* did by *Eurialus*, kisse the letter a thousand times together and then read it: And ^u *Chelidonia* by *Philonius*, after many sweet kisses put the letter in her bo- some, And kisse againe, and often looke thereon,

And stay the messenger that would be gone: And aske many pret- ty questions, how he looked, what he did, and what said he? In a word,

ⁿ Vult placere sese amice, vult mihi, vult pedessequa
Vult famulis, vult etiam ancillis, & catulo meo.

He strives to please his Mistress, and her maide,

Her servants, and her dogge, and's well apaid.

If he get any remnant of hers, a buske-point, a feather of her fan, a shoo-tye, a lace, a bracelet of haire, hee weares it for a favour on his arme, in his hat, or next his heart. Her picture hee adores twice a-day, & for two houres toge- ther, will not looke off it; As *Laodamia* did by *Protesilaus*, when hee went to warre, † sit at home with his picture before her: a garter or a bracelet of hers is more precious then any Saints Relique, he layes it vp in his casket, O blessed Relique, & every day will kisse it: if in his presence, his eye is neuer off her, & drinke he will where she dranke, if it be possible in that very place, &c. If ab- sent, he will walke in the Walke, sit vnder that tree where she did use to sit, in that bowre, in that very seat, many yeares after sometimes, & if shee be farre distant, & dwell many miles off, he loves yet to walke that way still, to have his chamber window looke that way: To walke by that Rivers side (which though farre away) runnes by the house where she dwells, he loves the wind blowes to that coast. † O quoties dixi Zephyris properantibus illuc,

Felices pulchram visuri Amaryllida venti.

O happy Westerne windes that blow that way,

For you shall see my Loves faire face to day.

o to conferre with some of her acquaintance, for his heart is still with her, Pro talke of her, admiring & commending her, lamenting, honing, wishing him- selfe any thing for her sake, to have opportunity to see her, O that hee might but enjoy her presence. So did *Philostratus* to his mistress, † O happy ground on which she treads, and happy were I if she would tread upon me, I thinke her countenance would make the rivers stand, and when she comes abroad, birds will sing, and come about her

Ridebunt vallis, ridebunt obvia Tempe,

In florem viridis protinus ibit humus.

The fields will laugh, the pleasant vallies burne,

And

And all the grasse will into flowers turne.

* When she is in the meadow, shee is fairer then any flowre, for that lasts but for a day, the riuer is pleasing, but it vanisheth on a sudden, but thy flowre doth not fade, thy streame is greater then the Sea. If I looke vp to Heauen, we thinke I see the sunne false downe to shine below, and thee to shine in his place whom I desire. If I looke vp in the night, we thinke I see two more glorious starres, Hesperus and thy selfe. A little after he thus Courts his mistis: If thou goest forth of the city, the protecting gods that keepe the towne, will runne after to gaze vpon thee: If thou saile vpon the Seas, as so many small boates, they will follow thee: what riuer would not runne into thy Sea. Another, he sighes & lobs, & wisheth himselfe a saddle for her to sit on, a posie for her to smell to, and it would not grieue him to be hanged, if he might be strangled in her garters: hee would willingly die to morrow, so that shee might kill him with her owne hands.

* Ouid would be a flea, a gnat, a ring, Catullus a sparrow,

O si tecum ludere, sicut ipsa possem,

Et tristis animi levare curas.

* Anacreon, a glasse, a gowne, chaine, any thing,

Sed speculum ego ipse fiam,

Et me tuum usq; cernas,

Et vestis ipse fiam,

Vt me tuum usq; gestes.

Mutari et opto in undam,

Lavem tuos ut artus,

Nardus puella fiam,

Vt ego te ipsam iungam,

Sim fascia in papillis.

Tuo & monile collo.

Fiamq; calcus, me

Saltem ut pede usq; calces.

But J a looking glasse would be,

Still to be look'd vpon by thee,

Or J, my loue would be thy gown,

By thee to be worne vp and down;

Or a pure Well full to the brims,

That J might wash thy purer lims:

Or I'd be precious baulme to' noint,

With choisest care each choisest ioint,

Or, if I might, J would be faine,

About thy necke thy happy chaine.

Or would it were my blessed happe

To be the Lawne o're thy faire pappe.

Or would I were thy shooe to be

Dayly but trod vpon by thee.

O thrice happy man that shall enioy her: as they that saw Hero in Musamus, &

* Salmacis to Hermephroditus, — *Falices mater, &c. felix nutritrix* —

Sed longè cunctis, longèq; beator ille,

Quem fructu sponsi & socij dignabere lecti.

The same passion made her breake out in the Comedy,

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* Idem epist. na
prato cum sit
flores superat,
illi pulchri sed
unius tantum
dies flurim gra-
tus, sed evanes-
cit, at tuus flu-
rius mari ma-
ior. Si celum as-
picio, solem exi-
stimo cecidisse,
& in terra am-
bulare &c.

† Si civitate e-
grederis, sequen-
tur te dy custo-
des, & spectaculo
commoti si ra-
tiones sequentur.
quis fluvius sa-
lum tuum non
rigaret?

* 2. Elug. 15.

* Carm. 30.

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Art. 1. Scen. 7.

* Ouid Met. 1. 4

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† Xenophon Cy-
reus lib. 5.
† Plautus de
militie.
† Lucian.
† Petronius,

† *Nulla fortunata sunt quæ cum illo cubant,* happy are
his bedfellowes; & as she said of Cyrus, *beata quæ illi uxor futura esset,* blessed
is that woman that shall be his wife, nay thrice happy she, that shall inioy him
but a night, † *Vna nox Iovis sceptro equiparanda,* such a nights lod-
ging is worth Ippiters scepter.

* *Qualis nox erit illa, di, deaq,
Quam mollis thorax?*

O what a blissefull night would it be, how soft a bed? shee will adventure all
her estate for such a night, for a Nectarean, a balsome kisse alone.

† E. Greco Ruff.

* *Qui te videt beatus est,
Beatior qui te audiet,
Qui te potitur est deus.*

† Lod. Verto-
mannus navig.
li. 2. cap. 5. O de-
us, hunc creasti
sole candidiorem,
et diverso me et
coniugem meum
et natos meos
omnes nigrican-
tes. Vtinam hic,
et c.
Ibit Gazella,
Tegeia, Galze-
vana, et promiss-
sa oneravit, et
denis, et c.

The Sultan of Sana's wife in Arabia, when shee had seene Vertomannus that
comely traueiler, lamented to her selfe in this manner, O God, thou hast made
this man whiter then the Sunne, but me, and mine husband, and all my children
blacke, I would to God he were my husband, or that I had such a sonne, shee fell
a-weeping, & so impatient for Loue at last, that (as Poriphars wife did by Jo-
seph) she would haue had him gone in with her, she sent away Gazella, Tegeia,
Galzarena her waiting maides, loaded him with faire promises and gifts, and
wooded him with all the Rhetoricke she could,

— *extremum hoc miseræ damunus amanti:*

but when he would not consent, she would haue gone with him, and left all,
to be his Page, his seruant, or his Lackey, so that she might inioy him, threat-
ning moreouer to kill her selfe, &c. Men will doe as much and more for wo-
men, spend goods, liues, lands, fortunes, Kings will leaue their Crownes, as
King Iohn for Matilda the Nunne at Dunmow.

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* But Kings in this yet priuiledg'd may bee,
Ile be a Monke so I may liue with thee.

The very gods will endure any shame, atq; aliquis de dijs non tristibus in-
quit, &c. be a spectacle as Mars and Venus were to all the gods; so did Luci-
ans Mercury wish, & peradventure so dost thou. They will adventure their
liues with alacrity,

† Hor. ode 9. l. 3

— † *pro quâ non metuum mori* —
nay more, *pro quâ non metuum bis mori*, I will dye twice, nay twentie times
for her. If shee dye, there's no remedy, they must dye with her, they cannot
helpe it. A louer in Calcagninus, wrote this on his mistris Tombe,

Quincia obiit, sed non Quincia sola obiit,
Quincia obiit, sed cum Quinciâ et ipse obiit,
Risus obit, obit gratia, lusus obit,
Nec mea nunc anima in pectore, at in tumulo est,

Quincia my deare is dead, but not alone,
For I am dead, and with her I am gone,
Sweet smiles, mirth, graces, all with her doe rest,
And my soule too, for 'tis not in my brest.

How many doting Louers vpon the like occasion might say the same? But
these are toyes in respect, they will hazard their very soules for their mistris
sake. Atq; aliquis inter iuvenes miratus est, et verbum dixit,

Non ego in cælo superem Deum esse,
Nostram uxorem habens domi Hero

Onc

One said, to Heauen would I not
desire at all to goe,

If that at mine owne house I had
such a fine wife as *Hero*.

Old *Ianiuer* in *Chaucer* thought when he had his faire *May*, he should neuer
goe to heauen, he should liue so merrily heere on earth, had I such a mistress,
he protests,

† *Cælum dñs ego non suum inviderem,
Sed sortem mihi dñi meam inviderent.*

I would not envy their prosperity,
The gods should envy my felicity.

Another as earnestly desires to inioy his sweet-heart,

* *Omnia que patior mala si pensare velit fors,
Vnâ aliquâ nobis prosperitate, dñ*

*Hoc precor, ut faciant, faciant me cernere corâ
Cor mihi captivum qua tenet hocce, deam.*

If all my mischiefes were recompensed,
And God would giue me what I requested,
I would my mistress presence onely seeke,
Which doth mine heart in prison captiue keepe.

But who can reckon vp the Dorage, madnesse, servitude, and blindnesse, the
phantasmes and vanities of Louers, their torments, wishes, idle attempts?

Yet for all this, amongst so many irksome, absurd, and troublesome Symp-
tomes, inconveniences, and passions, which are usually incident to such per-
sons, there be some good qualities in Louers, which this affection causeth.
As it makes wisemen fooles, so many times it makes fooles become wise, & it
makes base fellowes become generous, cowards couragious, as *Cardan* notes out
of *Plutarch*, couetous, liberall and munificent; clownes, ciuill; cruell, gentle; wic-
ked prophane persons, to become religious; slouens, neat; churles, mercifull; and
dumbe dogges, eloquent. No passion causeth greater alterations, or more ve-
hement of ioy or discontent. *Plutarch* *Sympos.* lib. 1. quest. 5. 2 saith, that the
soule of a man in loue, is full of perfumes and sweet odors, and all maner of pleasing
tones and tunes: It addes spirits, and makes them otherwise soft and silly ge-
nerous and couragious, ^a *Audacem faciebat amor.* *Ariadne's* loue, made *The-
seus* so aduenterous, and *Medea's* beauty *Iason* so victorious. ^b *Plato* is of opi-
nion, that the loue of *Venus* made *Mars* so valorous. a yong man will be much
abashed to commit any foule offence, that shall come to the hearing or sight of his
mistress. And if it were possible to haue an Army consist of Louers, such as loue, or
are beloued, they would be extraordinary valiant and wise in their gouernment,
modestly would detain them from doing amisse, emulation incite them to do that
which is good and honest, and a few of them would ouercome a great company of
others. There is no man slopishillanimous, so very a dastard, whom Loue
would not incense, and make a diuine temper, and an heroical spirit. ^d I doubt
not, but if a man had such an Army of Louers (as *Castilio* thinkes) he might soon
conquer all the world, except by chance he met with such another army of *Inamo-
ratos* to oppose it. ^e For so perchance they might fight as that fatall dogge,
and farall hare in the Heauens, course one another round, and neuer make an
end. *Castilio* thinks *Ferdinand* King of *Ispaine* had neuer conquered *Granado*,
had not *Queene Isabell* and her Ladies beene present at the siege, & it cannot

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† *Buchanan.**Hendecasyll.** *Peirarch.*† *Cardan. lib. 2.*

de sap. ex viliibus

generosus efficitur

folet, ex timidis

audaces, ex aua-

ris splendidos,

ex agrestibus ci-

uiles, ex crudeli-

bus mansuetos,

ex impijs religi-

osos, ex fordidis

nitidos atq; cul-

tos, ex duris mi-

sericordes, ex

mutis eloquentes.

* *Anima homi-*

nis amore capti,

sata referta sus-

citibus & odori-

bus, pecunes re-

sonat &c.

a *Ouid.*b *In conuicio.**Amor Veneris**Mariem deti-*

net, & sortem

facit adolescen-

tem maxime e-

rubescere cerni-

mus, quoniam a-

mator eum turpe

quid commit-

tentem offendit.

c *Si quo pacto**fieri ciuitas aut**exercitus posset**parari ex his**qui amant par-**tim ex his, &c.*d *Lib. 3. de Au-**lico. Non dubito**quin is qui ta-**lem exercitum**haberet totius**orbis statim vi-**ctor esset, nisi**forte cum ali-**quo exercitu**conflegendum**esset, in quo om-**nes amatores es-**sent.*e *Higinus de**cane & lepore**calesti, & Deci-**mator.*f *Vix dici potest**quantam inde**audaciam assu-**merent Hispani,**inde pauci infini-**tas Maurorum co-**pias superarunt.*

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be expressed what courage the Spanish Knight tooke, when the Ladies were present, a few Spaniards ouercame a multitude of Moores. They will yndergoe any danger whatsoeuer, as St. Walter Manny in Edward the thirds time, stuck full of Ladies fauours, fought like a Dragon. For *soli amantes, as Plato holdes, pro amicis mori appetunt*, onely Louers will dye for their friends, and in their Mistresses quarrell. And for that cause † he would haue women follow the Camp, to be spectators & encouragers of noble Actions: vpon such an occasion; St. Lancelot and St. Tristram, Caesar, nor Alexander shall not be more resolute, or goe beyond them.

† Lib. 5. de Legibus.

Not courage only doth loue adde, but as I said, wisdom, warinesse,

† Virg.

—* *quis fallere possit amantem.*

All manner of ciuility, decency, and good behauiour. Boccace hath a pleasant tale to this purpose, which he borrowed from the Greekes, & which Beroaldus hath turned into Latine, Bebelius into verse, of Cymon & Iphigenia. This Cymon was a foole, a proper man of person, and the Gouvernour of Cyprus sonne, but a very Ass, inasmuch that his father being ashamed of him, sent him to a Farme house hee had in the Country to be brought vp. Where by chance, as his manner was, walking alone, hee espied a gallant yong Gentlewoman named Iphigenia, a Burgomasters daughter of Cyprus with her maid, by a brooke side in a little thicket, fast asleepe in her smocke, where shee had newly bathed her selfe: when & Cymon saw her, he stood leaning on his staffe, gaping on her, immoueable, and in a maze: at last hee fell so farre in loue with the glorious obiect, that he beganne to rouse himselfe vp, & to berhinke him what he was, & would needes follow her to the Citty, & for her sake began to be ciuill, to learne to sing & dance, to play on Instruments, & got all those Gentlemen-like qualities & complements in a short space, which his friends were most glad of. In brieft, he became from an Idiot & a Clowne, to be one of the most compleat Gentlemen in Cyprus, did many valorous exploits, and all for the loue of mistress Iphigenia. In a word, I may say thus much of them all, let them be neuer so clownish, rude & horrid, Grobians and fluts, if once they be in loue, they will bee most neat and spruce, follow the fashion, begin to tricke vp, & to haue a good opinion of themselves. A ship is not so long a rigging, as a yong Gentlewoman a trimming vp her selfe, against her sweet-heart comes. A Painters shop, a flowry meadow, no so gracious an aspect in Natures store-house, as a young maide, a Nouitise, or Venetian Bride, that lookes for an husband, or a young man that is her suiter, composed looks, composed gate, cloathes, gestures, actions, all composed; all the graces, elegances in the world are in her face. Their best robes, lewels, lawnes, Linnens, Laces, Spangles, must come on, *hæ præter quam res patitur student elegantia*, they are beyond all measure coy, nice, and too curious on a sudden: 'Tis all their study, all their businesse, how to weare their cloathes neate, to be polite and terse, and to set out themselves. When Mercury was to come before his

¶ Hanc ubi
conspicatus est
Cymon, bacula
infixus, immo-
bilis stetit, &
mirabundus &c

¶ Plautus.

† Ouid. Met. 2. Mistris,

—† *Chlamydemq; ut pendeat apte**Collocat, ut limbus totumq; appareat aurum.*

He put his cloake in order, that the lace,

And hemme, and gold worke all might haue his grace.

Salmaci would not be seene at all of Hermaphroditus, till she had spruced vp her selfe first.

† Nec

† Nec tamen ante adiit, et si properabas adire,
Quam se composuit, quam circūspexit amictus,
Et fixit vultum, & meruit formosa videri.
Nor did she come, although 'twas his desire,
Til she compos'd her selfe, & trim'd her tire,
And set her lookes to make him to admire.

Venus had so ordered the matter, that when her sonne *Aeneas was to come *Virg. 1. Æn.
before Queene Dido, he was

(Os humerosq; deo similis, namq; ipsa decoram
Casariem nato genetrix, lumenq; iuventa
Purpureum, & latos oculis afflārat honores.)

like a god, for she was the tire-woman her selfe, to set him out with all natu-
rall and artificiall impostures. When that hirsute Cyclopical Polyphemus
courted Galatea.

† Iamq; tibi forma, iamq; est tibi cura placendi;
Iam rigidos pectus rursus Polypheme capillos,
Iam libet hirsutam tibi falce recidere barbam,
Et spectare feros in aqua & componere vultus.

† Ouid. Met. 13

And then he did begin to pranke himselfe,
To please and combe his head, and beard to shaue,
And looke his face ith' water as a glasse,
And to compose himselfe for to be braue.

He now began to haue a good opinion of his owne feature, and good parts.

Iam Galatea veni, nec munera despice nostra,
Certè ego me novi liquidag; in imagine vidi
Nuper aqua placuitq; mihi mea forma videnti.
Come now my Galatea scorne me not,
Nor my poore presents; for but yesterday
I saw my selfe ith' water, and methought
Full faire I was, scorne me not I say,

† Non sum adeo informis, nuper me in littore vidi,
Cum placidum ventis flaret mare

† Virg. Egl. 2.

† Epist. An uxor

litterato sit di-

cenda. Noctes

insomnes tradu-

cende, literis re-

nunciandum,

sepe gemendum,

nonnunquam &

illachrymandum

forti & conditi-

oni tue. Viden-

dum que vestes,

quis cultus te

deceat, quis in

usu sit, utrum

latus barbe, &c

Cum curā lo-

quendum, vince-

ndendum, biben-

dum, & cum

cura insaniendū.

† Chil. 4. cent. 5.

pro. 1. 5.

*Tis the common humour of all Sutors to tricke vp themselues, to be prodi-
gall in apparell, with euery day new futes, as the fashion varies; & as Hensius
writ to Primierus, *If once he be besotted on a wench, he must ly awake a nights,
renounce his booke, sigh and lament, now and then weepe for his hard hap, and
marke aboue all things what Hats, Bands, Doublets, Breeches are in fashion, how
to cut his Beard, and weare his Look, to turne vp his Manshato's, and curle his
head, prune his Pickirivant, or if he weare it broad, that the East side be corre-
spondent to the West: he must be in league with an excellent Tayler, Barber, haue
neat shooe-ties, points, garters, speake in print, walke in print, eat and drinke all
in print, and that which is all in all, he must be mad in print.

Amongst all other good qualities, an amorous fellow is endowed with,
he must learne to sing and dance, play vpon some Instrument or other, as
without all doubt he will, if hee bee truely touched with this Loadstone of
Loue. For as ¹Erasmus haith it, *Muscam docet amor & Poesin*, Loue will make
them Musicians, and to make dirties, Madrigals, Elegies, and Loue Sonnets,
& sing them to seuerall pretty tunes, to get all good qualities may bee had.

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† *Martianus*
Capella lib. 1.
de nupt. philol.
Iam illum sentio
amore teneri,
quisq; studio plu-
res habere com-
paratis in sa-
mulatio discipli-
nas &c.

† *Lib. 3. de au-*
lico. Quis Cho-
reis inuadaret,
nisi seminarum
causa? qui mu-
sica tantam na-
uaret operam,
nisi quod illius
dulcedine per-
mulcere speret?
quis tot carmina
componeret, nisi
ut inuē affectus
suos in mulieres
explicaret?

† *Craterem ne-*
laris evertit
saltans apud de-
os qui in terram
cadens, rosam
prius albam ru-
bore infecit.

† *Puellas cho-*
reantes circa
iunuenilem Cupi-
dinis statuam
fecit. Philostrat.
Imag. lib. 3. de
statuis. Exerciti-
um amoris aptis-
sum.

† *Tom. 4.*

† *Koruman.*
de cur. mort.

† *part. 5. cap. 28.*
Sat. puella dor-
mienti in ultar-
tium &c.

† *Vita eius. Pu-*
ella amo. e. sep-
tuagenarius se-
nex usq; ad insa-
niam correptus,
multis liberis
susceptis: multi
non sine pudore
conspexerunt
senem & Phi-
losofum poda-
gicum, non sine
risu saltante m-
ad ribie modos.

† *Anacreon*
car. 7.

† *De taciturno loquacem facit, & de verescendo officiosum reddit, de negligente industrium, de secorde impigrum.*

† *Iupiter* perceiued *Mercury* to be in loue with *Philologia*, because he learned languages, polite speech, Arts and Sciences, *quod virgini placeret*, all to please his *Mittris*. T'is their chiefest study to sing, dance, and without question, so many Gentlemen and Gentlewomen would not bee so well qualified in this kinde, if loue did not incite them. *who*, saith *Castilio*, would learne to play, or giue his minde to Musick, or learne to dance, or make so many Rimes, Loue-songs, as most doe, but for womens sake but that they hope by that meanes to purchase their good-wils, and winne their fauours. *Constantine agricult. lib. 11. cap. 18.* makes *Cupid* himselfe to be a great dancer, by the same token as he was capering amongst the gods, *he* slung downe a bowle of *Nectar*, which distilling vpon the white Rose, euer since made it red: and *Calistratus* by the helpe of *Dadalus* about *Cupids* status, *made* a many of young wenches still a-dancing, to signifie belike, that *Cupid* was much affected with it. *Witty* † *Lucian*, in that Patheticall Loue passage, or pleasant description of *Iupiters* stealing of *Europa*, and swimming from *Phenicia* to *Crete*, makes the Sea calme, the windes hush, *Neptune* and *Amphitrite* riding in their chariot to breake the waues before them, The *Tritons* dauncing round about, with euery one a Torch, the Sea-nymphes halfe-naked, keeping time on Dolphins backes, and singing *Hymeneus*, *Cupid* nimble tripping on the toppe of the waters, & *Venus* her selfe comming after in a shell, strawing Roses & flowres on their heads. *Praxitiles* in all his pictures of Loue, made *Cupid* euer smiling, & looking vpon dancers, And in *S. Markes* Garden in *Rome* (whose worke I know not) one of the most delicious pieces, is a many of *Satyrs* dauncing about a wench a-sleepe. So that dancing still is as it were a necessary appendix to loue matters. Yea many times this Loue will make old men daunce, maske and mumme; for *Comus* and *Hymen* loue maskes, and all such merriments aboue measure, will allow men to put on womens apparell in some cases, and to dance men of all sorts. *Paulus Iovius* taxeth *Augustine Niphus* the Philosopher, *For that being an old man, and a publike Professor, a father of many children, he was so mad for the loue of a yong maide (that which many of his friends were ashamed to see) an old gowty fellow, yet would dance after Fidlers.* Many laughed him to scorne for it, but this omnipotent loue would haue it so,

† *Hyacinthino bacillo,*

Properans amor, me adagit

Violenter adsequendum.

Loue hasty with his purple staffe did make

Me follow, and the dance to vndertake.

And who can withstand it? If once we be in loue, young or old, though our teeth shake in our heads, there is no remedy, we must dance. *Plutarch Sympof. 1. quest. 5.* doth in some sort excuse it, and telleth vs moreouer in what sence, *Musica docet amor, licet prius fuerit rudis*, how Loue makes them that had no skill before, learne to sing and dance; he concludes, t'is onely that power & prerogatiue Loue hath ouer vs. *¶ Loue* (as hee holdes) will make a silent man speake, a modest man most officious; dull, quick; slow, nimble; and that which is most to bee admired, an hard base vtractable Churle, as fire doth Iron in a smithes forge, facile, gentle, and easie to be intreated. Nay t'will make prodigall

in the other extreame, and giue an t 100 sesterces for a nights lodging, as they did of old to *Lais of Corinth*. For which cause many compare Loue to wine, which makes men Iouiall and merry, frolicke & sad, whine, sing, dance, and what not.

But about all the other Symptomes of Louers, this is not lightly to be ouerpasse, that likely of what condition soeuer, if once they be in loue, they turne to their ability, Rimers, Ballet-makers, and Poets. For as *Plutarch* saith: *They will be witnesses and trumpeters of their Paramours good parts, bedecking them with verses and commendatory songs, as we doe statues with gold, that they may be remembered and admired of all.* Ancient men will dote in this kinde sometimes as well as the best. *Iovianus Pontanus* makes an old foole rime, and turne Poetaster to please his Mistis.

Neringas Mariana, meos ne despice canos,

De senenam iuuenem Dia referre potes, &c.

Sweet Marian doe not mine age disdaine,

For thou canst make an old man young againe. They will be still singing amorous songs and ditties (if young especially) and cannot abstaine though it be when they goe to, or should be at Church. we haue a pretty story to this purpose in *Westmonasteriensis*, an old writer of ours (if you will beleuee it) *An. Dom. 1012. at Colewiz in Saxony*, on Christmas Eue a company of young men and maids, whilst the Priest was at Masse in the Church, were singing carches and loue songs in the Church-yard, he sent to them to make lesse noyse, but they sung on still, and if you will you shall haue the very song it selfe, *Equitabat homo per syluam frondosam,*

Ducebatq; secum Meswinden formosam;

Quid stamus cur non imus?

A fellow rid by the greenewood side,

And faire Meswinde was his bride,

Why stand you so, and doe not goe?

This they sung, he chafte, till at length impatient as he was, hee prayed to *S. Magnus* patron of the Church, they might all there sing and dance till that time tweluemonth, and so * they did, without meat and drinke, wearisomenesse or giuing ouer, till at yeares end they ceased singing, and were absolved by *Herebertus* Archbishop of *Colen*. They will in all places be doing thus, young folkes reading loue stories, singing, telling or hearing lasciuious tales, tunes, such obiects are their sole delight, their continual meditatio, they can thinke, discourse willingly, or speake almost of no other subiect. This loue is the cause of all good conceipts, neatnesse, exornations, playes, elegancies delights, and all the sweetness of our life, it seasoneth our harsh and dull labours, and giues a pleasant relish to our other vnsauory proceedings. All our feasts almost, maskques, mummings, banquets, merry meetings, weddings, pleasing songs, fine tunes, Poems, Loue-stories, Fescenines, Elegies, Odes, &c. Symbols, Emblems, Impreses, devises, if wee may beleuee *Iouius*, *Contiles*, *Paradine*, *Camillus de Camillis*, may be ascribed to it. Most of our arts and sciences, painting amongst the rest, was first inuented, saith *Patritius*, *ex amoris beneficio*. For when the daughter of *Deburiades* the *Sicyonian*, was to take leaue of her sweet heart now going to warres, *ut desiderio eius minus tabesceret*, to comfort her selfe in his absence shee tooke his picture

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¶ *Francus lib. 3.
De symbolis: qui
primus symbo-
lam excogitauit,
voluit nimirum
hac ratione im-
plicatum animi
evolvere, cumq;
vel domine vel
alijs inuentibus
ostendere.*

with a cole vpon a wall, as the candle gaue the shadowe which her father ad-
miring perfected afterwards, and it was the first picture that euer was made.
All our Tilts and Turnaments, Orders of the Garter, *Golden Fleece*, &c. owe
their beginnings to loue. And many of our histories: by this meanes, saith
Iovius, they would expresse their louing minds to their Mistris, and to the
beholders. 'Tis the sole subiect almost of Poetry, all our invention tends to
it, all our songs, what euer those old *Anacreons*, *Greeke* and *Latine Epigram-
matists*, Loue writers, *Anthony Diogenes* the most ancient, whose Epitome
we finde in *Phocius Bibliotheca*, *Longus Sophista*, *Eustathius*, *Achilles Tatius*,
Aristanetus, *Heliodorus*, *Plato*, *Plutarch*, *Lucian*, *Parthenius*, *Ovid*, *Catullus*, *Ti-
bullus*, &c. Our new *Ariosto*, *Boyardes*, authors of *Arcadia*, *Fairy Q.* &c.
haue written in this kinde, are but as so many Symptomes of Loue. Their
whole bookes are a *Synopsis* or breuiary of Loue, the Portuons of Loue, Le-
gends of Louers liues and deaths, and of their memorable adventures. Nay
more, as * *Neuisanus* the Lawyer holds, *there neuer was any excellent Poet,*
that inuented good fables, or made laudable verses, that was not in loue himselfe.

* *Lib. 4. num.
102. sylvæ nup-
tialis poete non
inueniunt fabu-
las, aut versus
laudatos faciunt
nisi qui ab amo-
re fuerint exci-
tati.
Martial. Epig.
73. lib. 9.*

*Cynthia te vatem fecit lascine Properti,
Ingenium Galli pulchra Lycoris habet,
Fama est arguti Nemesis formosa Tibulli,
Lesbia dictauit docte Catulle tibi.
Non me Pelignus, nec spernet Mantua vatem,
Si qua Corinna mihi, si quis Alexis erit:
Wanton Propertius, and witty Gallus,
Subtile Tibullus, and learned Catullus,
It was Cynthia, Lesbia, Lychoris,
That made you Poets all, and if Alexis,
Or Corinna chance my Paramour to be,
Virgil and Ovid shall not despise me.*

Petrarch's Laura made him so famous, *Astrophels Stella*, and *Iovianus Pontanus*
Mistris was the cause of his *Roses*, *Violets*, *Lillies*, *Nequitia*, *blanditia*, *ioci*,
decor, *Nardus*, *Ver*, *Coralla*, *Thus*, *Mars*, *Pallas*, *Venus*, *Charis*, *Crocum*, *Laurus*,
Inguentum, *Costum*, *Lachryma*, *Amyrrha*, *Muse*, &c. And the rest of his Poems.
The very rusticks and hog-rubbers, if once they tast of this Loue liquor, are
inspired in an instant. Insteed of those acurate Emblems, curious Impreses,
gaudy masques, Tilts, Turnaments, &c. they haue their *Wakes*, *Whitson-
ales*, *Shepherds feasts*, meeting on *Holydaies*, *country dances*, *roundelaies*,
writing their names on † trees, trueloues knots, pretty gifts.

† *Teneris arbo-
ribus amicarum
nomina inscri-
bentes ut simul
crescant. Heu.*

With tokens, hearts diuided, and halfe rings,
Shepherds in their loues are as coy as kings.
Choosing Lords, Ladies, Kings, Queenes, and Valentines, &c. they goe by
couples, *Coridons Phyllis*, *Nysa* and *Mopsus*,
With dainty *Doufibell* and *Sr Tophus*. Insteed of Odes and
Elegies, &c. they haue their ballads, country tunes, They must write likewise
and indite all in Rime.

Thou Hony-suckle of the Hathorne hedge,
Vouchsafe in *Cupids* cup my heart to pledge,
My hearts deare blood, sweet *Cis* is thy Carouse,
Worth all the Ale in *Gammer Gubbins* house.

I say no more, affaires call me away,
My fathers horse for Provender doth stay.
Be thou the Lady *Cresset* light to me,
S^r *Trolly Lolly* will I proue to thee,
Written in hast, farwell my Cowslip sweet,
Pray let's a Sunday at the Alehouse meet.

Your most grimme *Stoicks*, and seuerer *Philosophers* will melt away with this passion, and if *Athenaus* belye them not, *Aristippus*, *Apollidorus*, *Antiphanes*, &c. haue written loue songs and Commentaries of their Mistris praises, ^a Orators write Epistles, Princes giue titles, honours, what not? ^b *Xerxes* gaue to *Themistocles*, *Lampsacus* to finde him wine, *Magnesia* for bread, and *Myunte* for the rest of his diet. *Assuerus* wold haue ^c giuen *Esher* half his Empire, and ^e *Herod* bid *Herodias* aske what she would she should haue it. Kings & Emperours instead of Poems, build citties, *Adrian* built *Antinoa* in *Agypt*, besides Constellations, Temples, Altars, Statues, Images, &c. in the honour of his *Antinous*. *Alexander* bestowed infinite summes, to set out his *He- phestion* to all eternity. ^e *Socrates* professeth himselfe *loues* seruant, ignorant in all arts and sciences, ^a Doctor alone in loue maters. &c. But I conclude there is no end of Loues Symptomes, 'tis a bottomelesse pit, Loue is subiect to no dimensions; not to be suruayed by any art or engine: & besides Jam of ^f *Hædus* minde, no man can discourse of loue matters, or iudge of them a right, that hath not made triall in his owne person, or that as *Eneas Silvius* addes, hath not a little doted, bin mad or loue sicke himselfe. I confesse I am but a nouice in expert in this subiect, *non sum praeceptor amandi*, and what I say, is meere by reading, by mine owne obseruation, and others relation.

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7 Lib. 13. cap.
Dipnoso: bist.

^a See *Puteanus*
epist. 33. de sua
Margarita Be-
roaldus, &c.

^b Hen. Stephani
apol. pro Herod.
est. 5.

^c Mat. 14. 7.

^d *Amoris* fa-
mulus omnem
scientiam diffi-
cultate, amandi
tamen se scien-
tissimum docto-
rem agnoscit.

^e Quis horum
scribere molesti-
as potest, nisi qui
est aliquan-
tum insani.

^f Lib. 1. de non
terminandis amo-
ribus, opinor hæc
de re neminem
aut desceptare
recte posse aut
iudicare, qui non
in ea versatur,
aut magnum se-
cerit periculum.

MEMB. 4.

Prognostickes of Loue Melancholy.

WHAT Fires, Torments, Cares, Jealousies, Suspitions, Feares, Griefes, Anxieties, accompany such as are in loue, I haue sufficiently said: the next question is, what wil be the euent of such miseries, what they foretell. Some are of opinion that this Loue cannot bee cured, *Nullus amor est medicabilis herbis*, it accompanies them to the last,

Idem amor exitio est pecori pecorisq; magistro, and is so continu-
ate, that by no perswasion almost it may be relieued. Bid mee not loue, said ^b *Eurialus*, bid the Mountaines come downe into the plaines, bid the Riuer run backe to their fountaines; I can as soone leaue to loue, as the Sun leaue his course.

† *Et prius aquoribus pisces & montibus umbra,*

Et volucres decerunt syluis & murmura ventis,

Quam mihi discedent formosa Amarillidis ignes.

First Seas shall want their fish, the mountaines shade,

Woods singing birds, the windes murmure shall fade,

Then my faire *Amarillis* loue alaid.

Bid me not loue, bid a deafe man heare, a blinde man see, a dumbe speake, lame runne, counsell can doe no good, a sicke man cannot relish. No Phy-
sicke can ease me. *Qua profunt domino non profunt omnibus artes.*

^a Semper mori-
tur, nunquam
mortuus est qui
amat. *Æn. Silo.*

^b *Eurial. ep. ad*
Lucretiam, apud
Æneam Silvium.

Rogas ut amare
deficiam, roga
montes ut in pla-
num decedant
ut fontes flumina
repetant, tam
possum te non
amare, ac suum
Phebus relin-
quere cursum.

† *Buchanan. Syl.*

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As Apollo confessed, and Iupiter himselfe could not be cured.

^a Propert. lib. 2.
Eleg. 1.^c Omnes humanos curat medicina dolores,
Solut amor morbi non habet artificem.

Physicke can soone cure every disease,

^d Excepting Loue, that can it not appease.^a Est orcus ille
vlt, est immedi-
cabilis, est rabi-
os in sana.
^c Lib. 2.

But whether loue may be cured or no, and by what meanes shall bee explained in his place, in the meane time, if it take his course, and be not otherwise eased or amended, it breakes out into outrageous often and prodigious euents. Amor & Liber violenti dy sunt, as ^c Tattius obserues, & consq. animus incendunt, ut pudoris obliuisci cogant; Loue and Bacchus are so violent gods, & so furiously rage in our minds, that they make vs forget all honesty, shame and common ciuility. For such men ordinarily as are thoroughly possessed with this humour, are *insensati & insani*, for it is *amor insanus*, as the Poet calls it, beside themselves, & as I haue proued, no better then beasts, irrational, stupid, head strong, voide of feare of God or men, they frequently forsweare themselves, spend, steale, commit incests, rapes, adulteries, murders, depopulate Townes, Cities, Countries, to satisfie their lust.

[†] Virg. Egl. 3.[†] R. T.[†] Qui quidem
amor utroq. &
totum Egyptu
extremis cala-
mitatibus inuol-
uit.[†] Plautus.[†] Ut corpus pon-
dere, sic animus
amore precipi-
tatur. Auson. 2.[†] de civ. dei. c. 28.[†] Dial. Hinc o-
runt, peniten-
tia desperatio, et
non vident in-
genium se cum
re simul amisse.[†] Idem Savana-
rola, & plures
aly, &c.[†] Rabidum factu-
rus Orexin. In-
ven.[†] Cap. de He-
roico Amore.[†] Hec passio du-
rans sanguinem
torridum & a-
trabiliarium[†] reddit, hic vero
ad cerebrum de-
latus, insaniam[†] parat, vigilia &
crebro desiderio
exsiccat.[†] Virg. Egl. 2.[†] Insani fiunt,
aut sibiipsis de-
sperantes morte[†] afferunt. Lan-
guetescit mor-
tem aut mani-[†] am patiuntur.[†] Calceagnus.[†] Theocritus[†] Idyl. 14.

^f A Diuell t'is, and mischief such doth worke,
As neuer yet did Pagan, Iew, or Turke.

The warres of Troy may bee a sufficient witnesse; and as Appian lib. 5. hist. saith of Antony & Cleopatra, & Their loue brought themselves, & all Egypt into extreame and miserable calamities, The end of her is as bitter as wormwood, and as sharpe as a two-edged sword. Prov. 5. 4. 5. Her feete goe downe to death, her steppes lead on to hell. She is more bitter then death, Eccles. 7. 28. and the sinner shall be taken by her.

^h Qui in amore precipitavit, peius perit, quam qui saxo salit. ⁱ Hee that runnes headlong from the top of a rocke, is not in so bad a case, as hee that falls into this gulf of Loue. For hence, saith ^k Platina, comes Repentance, Dotage, they loose themselves, their wits, and make shipwracke of their fortunes altogether, Madnesse, to make away themselves & others, violent death. Prognosticatio est talis, saith Gordonius, ^l si non succurratur ijs, aut in maniam cadunt, aut moriuntur. The Prognostication is, they will either runne mad, or dye. For if this passion continue, saith ^m Alien Montaltus, it makes the blood hot, thicke and blacke, and if the inflammation get into the braine, with continuall meditation & waking, it so dries it up, that madnesse followes, or else they make away themselves,

[†] O Coridon, Coridon, que te dementia cepit?
And as Arnoldus addes, it will speedily worke these effects, if it bee not presently helped, ^o They will pine away, runne mad, and dye vpon a sudden. Facile incidunt in maniam, saith Valescus, quickly madde, nisi succurratur, if good order be not taken,

[†] Eheu triste iugum: quisquis amoris habet.
Is prius ac norit se perisse perit.
Oh heauy yoke of loue, which who so beares,
Is quite vndone, and that at vnawares.

So she confessed of her selfe in the Poet.

^o Insaniam priusquam quis sentiat,
Vix pili intervallo a furore absum.
I shall be mad before it be perceiued,
An haire breadth of scarce am I, now distracted.

As

As mad as Orlando for his Angelica, or Hercules for his Hylas.

At ille ruebat quò pedes ducebant, furibundus,

Nam illi seruus Deus intus iecur laniabat,

He went he car'd not whither, mad he was,

The cruell God so tortur'd him, alas.

At the sight of Hero I cannot tell how many ran r mad,

¶ Alius vulnus celans insanit pulchritudine puella,

And whilst he doth conceale his griefe,

Madnesse comes on him like a theefe.

Goe to Bedlam for examples. It is so well knowne in euery village, how many haue either died for loue or voluntary made away themselves, that I need not much labor to proue it. *¶ Nec modus aut requies nisi mors reperitur amoris.*

Death is the common Catastrophe to such persons.

† Mori mihi contingat, non enim alia

Liberatio ab ærumnis fuerit ullo pacto istis.

Would I were dead, for nought God knowes,

But death can rid me of these woes.

As soone as Eurialus departed from Senes', Lucretia his Paramour neuer looked up, no iests could exhilarate her sad minde, no ioyes comfort her wounded & distressed soule: but a little after she fell sicke and died. But this is a gentle end, a naturall death, such persons commonly make away themselves: so did Dido, Pyramus and Thisbe, Medea, Corefus and Callyrboe, * Theagines the Philosopher, & many Myriades besides, & so will euer doe,

—† & mihi fortis

Est manus, est & amor, dabit hic in vulnera vires.

Who euer heard a story of more woe,

Then that of Iuliet and her Romeo.

Valleriola lib. 2. observ. 7. hath a lamentable narration of a Marchant his Patient, that rauing through impatience of Loue, had he not beene watched, would euery while haue offered violence to himselfe. Amatus Lusitanus cent. 3. car. 56. hath such another story, and Felix Platter med. observ. lib. 1. a third of a yong Gentleman that studied Physick, & for the loue of a Doctors daughter, hauing no hope to compasse his desire, poisoned himselfe y An^o 1615. A Barber in Francfort, because his wench was betroathed to another, cut his owne throat. 2 At Neoburge the same yeere, a young man, because hee could not get her Parents consent, killed his sweet-heart, & afterward himselfe, desiring this of the Magistrate, as he gaue vp the Ghost, that they might be buried in a graue,

Quodq; rogis superest unâ requiescat in urnâ,

which Gismunda desired of Tancredus her father, that shee might bee in like fort buried with Guiscardus her Louer, that so their bodies might lye together in the graue, as their Soules wander about * Campos lugentes in the Elysian fieldes,

— quos durus amor crudeli tabe peredit,

in a myrtle groue

— & myrtea circum

Sylua tegit: cura non ipsâ in morte relinquunt.

You haue not yet heard the worst, they doe not offer violence to themselves in this rage of lust, but vnto others, their nearest & dearest friends. † Cateline killed his only sonne for the loue of Aurelia Oristilla, quod eius nuptias vivo filio recusaret. * Laodice the sister of Mithridates, poisoned her husband, to

giue

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¶ Luciani Imag.

So for Lucians

mistris all that

saw her, and

could not en-

ioy her, ranne

mad, or han-

ged theselues.

¶ Musæus.

¶ Ouid. me 2. 10

Æneas Sylvius

Ad eius decessum

nunquam visa

Lucretia videre,

nullis facietis, ioc-

ciis nullo gaudio

potuit ad letitiâ

renouari, mox in

egritudinem in-

cidit, & sic breui

contabit.

† Anacreon.

† Pansanias A-

chaicis lib. 7.

** Megarensis*

amoris flagrans.

Lucian. Tom. 4.

† Ouid. 3. Met.

¶ Furibundus

putavit se vide-

re imaginem

puellæ, & coram

loqui blandiens

illi, &c.

¶ Iuven. He-

braus.

o Iuuenis Me-

dicine operam

dans Doctoris

filium deperibat

&c.

¶ Gotardus Ar-

thus Gallobelgi-

cus, mund. ver-

nal. 1615. collæ

novacula aseru-

it: & inde ex-

piravit.

¶ Cum veniente

parente utroq;

& ipsa virgine

frui non posset,

ipsum & ipsam

interfecit, hoc à

magistratu pe-

tens, ut in eo-

dem sepulchro

sepeliri possent.

† Bocace.

** Sedes eorum*

qui pro amoris

impatentiâ per-

eunt. Virg. 6.

Æneid.

† Sal. Val. Max.

** Sabel. 3. En. 6*

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† Curtius lib. 5.

‡ Chalcococondi-

las de reb. Tur-

cicus lib. 9. Nerei

uxor Athenarū

domina, &c.

b Nicophorus

Greg. hist. lib. 8.

Vxorem occidit,

liberos, &c. Mi-

chaelem filium

videre abhorruit

Thessalonice a-

more captus pro

notary filia &c

c Partonius E-

rot lib. cap. 5.

d Idem cap. 21.

Gubernatoris fi-

lia Achilles amo-

re capta, ciuita-

tem prodidit.

e Idem cap. 9.

f Virg.

g Otiū, nau-

fragium castita-

tis, Austia.

h Buchanan.

Hendecasyll.

giue content to a base fellow, whom she loued. † Alexander to please *Thais* a concubine of his set *Persipolis* on fire. ‡ *Nereus* wife, a widow and Lady of *Athens*, for the loue of a *Venetian* Gentleman, betrayed the City, and he for her sake, murdered his wife, the daughter of a Nobleman in *Venice*. b *Constantine Despotas*, made away *Catharine* his wife, & turned his sonne *Michael* and his other children out of doores, for the loue of a base Scriueners daughter in *Thessalonica*, with whose beauty he was enamored. c *Leucophria* betrayed the city where she dwelt, for her sweet hearts sake, that was in the enemies Campe. d *Pithidice* the Gouvernours daughter of *Methinia*, for the loue of *Achilles*, betrayed the whole Iland to him, her fathers enemy. e *Diognetus* did as much in the City where he dwelt, for the loue of *Policrita*, &c. Such Acts and Scenes hath this Tragedy of Loue.

MEMB. 5. SUBSEC. I.

Cure of Loue Melancholy, by Labour, Diet, Physicke, Fasting &c.

ALTHOUGH it bee controuerted by some, whether Loue Melancholy may be cured, because it is so resistable & violent a passion,

facilis descensus Auerai,
Sed revocare gradum, superasq; evadere ad auras,
Hic labor, hoc opus est.

yet without question, if it bee taken in time, it may be helped, and by many good remedies amended. *Avicenna* lib. 3. *Fen. 1. cap. 23. & 24.* sets down seuen good wayes, how this malady may be eased, altered & expelled. *Savonarola* 9. principall obseruations, *Iason Pratensis* prescribes 8 rules besides Physicke, how this passion may be tamed, *Laurentius* 2. maine precepts, *Arnoldus*, *Valeriolus*, *Montaltus*, *Hildisheim*, *Langius* and others otherwise, all tending to the same purpose. The summe of which I will briefly Epitomize, and enlarge againe vpon occasion, as shall seeme best to me, and to mine owne method. The first rule to be obserued in subduing this stubburne and vnbridled passion, is Exercise & Diet. It is an old & well knowne sentence, *Sine Cerere & Baccho friget Venus*; As an f idle sedentary life, liberall feeding, are great causes of it, so the opposite labour, slender & sparing diet, with continuall businesse, are the best and most ordinary meanes to prevent it.

Otia si tollas periēre Cupidinis artes,
Contemptaq; iacent, & sine luce faces.

Take Idleness away, and put to flight
Are Cupids Arts, his torches giue no light.

Minerva, *Diana*, *Vesta*, and the 9 *Muses* were neuer inamored, because they neuer were idle,

* Frustra blanditiæ appulisti ad has,
Frustra nequitia venisti ad has,
Frustra delitiæ obsidebitis has,
Frustra has illecebræ & procacitates,
Et suspiria, & oscula, & susurri,
Et quisquis mala sana corda amantur,
Blandus ebria fascinat venenis.

In vaine are all your flatteries,

In

In vaine are all your naueries,
Delights, deceipts, procacities,
Sighes, kisses, and conspiracies,
And what ere is done by Art,
To bewitch a Louers heart.

Tis in vaine to set vpon those that are busy. Tis *Savonarola's* third rule, *Occupari in multis & magnis negotijs*, And *Avicenna's* Precept cap. 24.

Cedit amor rebus, res age tutus eris.

To bee busie still, and as *Guianerius* inioynes, about matters of great moment, if it may be. *Magnius* addes, neuer to be idle, but at the houres of sleep.

— k & ni

*Poscas ante diem librum cum lumine, si non
Intendas animum studijs, & rebus honestis,
Invidia vel amore miser torquerere.*

For if thou do'st not ply thy booke,
By candle-light to study bent,
Imploy'd about some honest thing,
Envy or loue shall thee torment.

No better Physicke then to be alwayes occupied, seriously intent.

Cur in penates rariis tenues subit,

Hac delicatas eligens pestis domus,

Mediung, sanos vulgus affectus tenet? &c.

Why do'st thou aske poore folkes are often free,

And dainty places still molested be?

Because poore people fare courly, worke hard, goe wollward and bare.

Guianerius therefore prescribes his patient to goe with haire-cloath next his skinne, to goe bare-footed, and bare-legged in cold weather, to whip himselfe now and then, as *Monkes* doe but aboue all, to fast. Not with Mutton and pottage, as many of them fast whatsoeuer they pretend, but from all manner of meat. Fasting is an all-sufficient remedy of it selfe; for as *Iason Pratenfis* holdes, the bodies of such persons that feed liberally, & liue at ease, are full of bad spirits and Druels, diuelish thoughts, no better Physicke for such persons, then to fast. *Hildesheim spicel.* 2. to this of hunger, addes often bathes, much exercise and sweat, but hunger and fasting he preferres before the rest. And 'tis indeed our Saviours Oracle, This kinde of diuell is not cast out but by Fasting and Prayer, which makes the Fathers so immoderate in commendation of Fasting. As *Hunger*, saith *P Ambrose*, is a friend of virginity, so is it an enemy to lasciuiousnesse, but fulnesse ouerthrowes chastity, & fostereth all manner provocations. If thine horse be too lusty, *Hierome* aduise thee to take away some of his Prouender, by this meanes those *Pauls*, *Hilaries*, *Antonies*, & famous *Anachorites* subdued the lusts of the flesh, by this meanes, *Hilarion* made his asse, as he called his owne body, leaue kicking, (as *q Hierome* relates of him in his life) when the diuell tempred him to any such foule offence. By this meanes those *r Indian Brachmanni* kept themselves continent, they lay vpon the ground, couered with skinnies, as the *Redshankes* doe on Hadder, and dieted themselves sparingly of one dish, which *Guianerius* would haue all young

Ouid lib. 1.

remed.

*Cap. 16. circa
res arduas exerci-*

ceri.

i Part. 2. cap. 13

reg. can. Hii,

præter horam

somni nulla per-

otium transeat.

k Hor. lib. 1.

Epist. 2.

i Seneca.

m Tract. 16.

cap. 18. sepe nu-

da carne cilicium

portent, tempore

frigido, sine cali-

gis & nudis

pedibus incedat,

in pane & aqua

ieiunent, sepius

se verberibus

cedant, &c.

n Demonibus

referta sunt cor-

pora nostra, illo-

rum precipue

qui delicatis ve-

scuntur edulius,

advolitant &

corporibus inhe-

rent, hanc ob

rem ieiunium

imperditi proba-

tur ad pudicitia.

o Vitellus sit at-

ternatus balnei

frequens usus &

sudationes, cold

bathes, not

hot, saith Mag-

ninus part. 3.

cap. 23. to diue

ouer head and

eares in a cold

riuer, &c.

p Sor. de gula:

fames amica vir-

ginitati est, ini-

micala lasciuie:

saturitas vero

castitatem per-

dit, & nutrit

illecebras.

q Vita Hilarionis lib. 3. epist. cum tentasset eum demon titillatione inter cetera; Ego, inquit, aselle, ad corpus suum, faciam, &c.

r Strabo lib. 15. Georg. sub pellibus cubant, &c.

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² Cap. 2. part. 2.
Sistit iuuenis, &
non vult obedi-
re, flagelletur
frequentè &
fortiter, dum in-
cipiat forere.
³ Laertius lib. 6.
cap. 5. amoris me-
detur fames, sin-
aliter, tempus, sin-
non hoc, laqueus.
⁴ Vina parant
animos Veneri,
&c.
⁵ 3. de Legibus.

men put in practise; and if that will not serue, ¹ *Gordonius* would haue them soundly whipped, or to coole their courage, kept in prison, and there fedde with bread & water, till they acknowledge their errour, and become of another minde. If imprisonment & hunger will not take them downe, according to the direction of that ² *Theban Crates*, Time must weare it out, if time will not, the last refuge is an halter. But this you will say, is comically spoken. How- soeuer Fasting by all meanes must bee still vsed; & as they must refrain from such meates formerly mentioned, which cause Venery, or prouoke lust, so they must vse an opposite diet. ³ Wine must bee altogether avoided, of the yonger sort. So ⁴ *Plato* prescribes, & would haue the Magistrates themselues abstaine from it, for examples sake, highly commending the *Carthaginians* for their temperance in this kinde. Women of olde for that cause, in hot countries were forbid the vse of it; and young folkes, as *Leonicus* hath recorded, *Var. hist. lib. 3. cap. 87. 88.* out of *Athenaus* and others, and is still practised in *Italy* and some other Countries of *Europe*, and *Asia*, as *Claudius Minois* hath well illustrated in his comment on the 23. Embleme of *Alciat*. So choice is to be made of other meates.

Nec minus erascas aptum est vitare salaces,

Et quicquid Veneri corpora nostra parat.

Eringo's are not good for to be taken,

And all lasciuious meates must be forsaken.

Those opposite meates which are to be vsed, are Cowcumbers, Mellons, Purs- lan, water lillies, Rue, Woodbine, Amni, Lettice, which *Lemnius* so much commends, *lib. 2. cap. 42* and *Mizaldus hort. med.* to this purpose. *Vitex*, or *Agnus castus* before the rest, which saith ⁵ *Magninus*, hath a wonderfull ver- tue in it. Those *Athenian* women, in their solemne feasts called *Thesmophe- ries*, were to abstaine nine daies from the company of men, during which time, saith *Eliau*, they laïd a certaine hearbe named *Hanea*, in their beddes, which asswaged those ardent flames of loue, and freed them from the tor- ments of that violent passion. See more in *Porta*, *Matthiolus*, *Crescentius*, *lib. 5. &c.* and what every Herbalist almost and Physitian hath writren, *cap. de Sa- tyriasi & Priapismo*, *Rhasis* amongst the rest. In some cases againe, if they be much dejected and brought lowe in body, & now ready to despair through anguish, griefe, and too sensible a feeling of their misery, a cup of wine and full diet is not amisse, and as *Valescus* aduise, *cum aliâ honestâ venerem sepe exercendo*, which *Langius epist. med. lib. 1. epist. 24.* approues out of *Rhasis*, *as- siduationem coitus*, and *Guianerius* seconds, *cap. 16. tract. 16.* as a very profit- able remedy,

** tument tibi quum inguina, cum si Ancilla, aut verna praesto est, tenguinerumpi*

Malis? non ego. Namq, &c.

⁶ *Iason Fratenfis* ap-

proues this counsell of the Poet, *excretio enim aut tollit prorsus aut lenit agri- tudinem*: And to be drunke too by fits, but this is mad Physicke, if it bee at all to be permitted. If not, yet some pleasure is to be allowed, as that which *Vi- ves* speaks of *l. 3. de Anima*, ⁷ *A louer that hath as it were lost himselfe through impotency, impatience, must be called home as a traveller by musicke, feasting, good wine, if need be to drunkenesse it selfe, which many so much commend for the easing of the minde, all kinde of sports and merriments, to see fine pictures, hangings, buildings, pleasant fields, Orchards, Gardens, Groves, Ponds, Pooles,*

Riuers,

¹ Cum muliere
aliquâ gratiosâ
sepe coire erit
utilissimum.
Idem *Laurentius*
cap. 11.
² Cap. 29. de
morb. cereb.
³ Amatori, cu-
ius est pro impo-
tentia mens a-
mota, opus est,
ut paulatim ani-
mus velut à pe-
grinatione do-
mum revocetur
per muscam,
convivia, &c.
Per aucupium
fabulas, & festi-
uas narrationes,
laborem usq; ad
sudorem, &c.

Rivers, fishing, fowling, hawking, hunting, to heare merry tales, & pleasant discourse, reading, to use exercise till he sweat, that new spirits may succeed: or by some other vehement affection or contrary passion, to be diuerted till hee be fully wained from anger, suspicion, cares, feares, &c. and habituated into another course. And as this method of Musicke, merriment, singing, dancing, doth augment the passion in some Louers, as ^a *Avicenna* notes, so it expelleth it in others, and doth very much good. These things must bee warily applyed, as the parties symptomes vary, and as they shall stand diversly affected.

If there be any need of Physicke, that the humours be altered, or any new matter aggregated, they must be cured as melancholy men. *Carolus à Lorme* amongst other questions, discussed for his degree at *Montpelier* in *France*, hath this, *An Amantes & amentes iisdem remedijs curentur?* Whether Louers and madmen be cured by the same remedies, he affirms it, for loue extended is meere madnesse. Such Physicke then as is prescribed, is either inward or outward, as hath beene formerly handled, in the precedent Partition in the Cure of Melancholy. ^b *Amatus Lusitanus* cured a young lew that was almost mad for loue, with the Syrupe of *Hellebor*, and such other evacuations and purges, which are vsually prescribed to blacke choler: ^c *Avicenna* confirms as much if need require, and ^d blood letting about the rest, which makes *amantes ne sint amentes*, Louers to come to themselves, and keepe in their right minds. 'Tis the same which *Schola Salernitana*, *Iason Pratenfis*, *Hildeheim*, &c. prescribe, blood letting to be vsed as a principall remedy. Those old *Scythians* had a trick to cure all appetite of burning lust, ^e by letting themselves blood vnder the eares, and to make both men and women barren, as *Sabellicus* in his *Enneades* relates of them. Which *Salmuth Tit. 10. de Horol. comment. in Pancirol. de nov. repert. Mercurialis var. lec. lib. 3. cap. 7.* out of *Hippocrates*, and *Benzo* saith is still in vse amongst the *Indians*, a reason of which *Langius* giues *lib. 1. epist. 10.*

Huc faciunt medicamenta venerem sopientia, vt *Camphora* pudendis alligata, & in brachia gestata (quidam ait) membrum flaccidum reddit. ^f *Laborans* hoc morbo virgo nobilis, cui inter cetera prescripsit medicus, vt laminam plumbeam multis foraminibus pertusam ad dies viginti portaret in dorso, ad excandandum vero sperma iussit eam quam parcissime cibari, & manducare frequenter coriandrum praparatum, & semen lactuca & acetosa, & sic eam à morbo liberavit. Porro impediunt & remittunt coitum folia salicis, trita & epota, & si frequentius vsurpentur ipsa in totum auferunt. Idem præstat *Topatius* anulo gestatus, dexterum lupi testiculum attritum, & oleo vel aqua rosatâ exhibitum *Veneris* tedium inducere scribit *Alexander Benedictus*: lac buturi comestum & semen Canabis, & *Camphora* exhibita idem præstant. *Verbena* herba gestata libidinem extinguit, pulvis ranæ decollatæ & exiccatae. Ad extinguendum coitum, vngantur membra genitalia, & renes, & pecten aquâ, in qua opium Thebaicum sit dissolutum, libidini maxime contraria *camphora* est, & coriandrum siccum frangit coitum, & erectionem virgæ impedit, idem efficit *synapium* exhibitum. Da verbenam in potu & non erigetur virga sex diebus, vt ere menthâ sicca cum aceto, genitalia illinita succo *Hyscyami* aut *cicute*, coitus appetitû sedant, &c. R. seminis lactuc. portulas, coriandri an. 3 j. menta sicca, 3 B. sacchari albiss. 3 iij. pulueris entur omnia subtiliter, & postea simul misce aqua *Neumpharis*, f. confec. solida in morsulis, Ex his sumat

^a Cap. de Illis.
Multos hoc effectus sanat cantilena letitia musica. & quidem sunt quos hæc augmentant.

^b Cent. 3. curat. 56. Syrupe helleborato, & alijs quæ ad atram bilem pertinent.
^c Purgetur si eius dispositio venerit ad adust. humoris, & phlebotomisetur.
^d Amantium morbus ut prius soluitur, vena sectione & cucurbitulis.
^e Cura à Vene sectione per aures unde semper steriles.

mane unum quum surgat. Innumera ferè his similia petas, ab his disibemo loco prædicto, Mizaldo, Porta cæterisq;

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withstand the beginnings, avoid occasions, change his place: faire and fowle meanes, contrary passions, wistty inventions: to bring in another, and discommend the former.

OTher good rules and precepts are enioyned by our Physitians, which if not alone, yet certainly conioyned may doe much. The first of which is *obstare principijs*, to withstand the beginning, & *Quisquis in primo obstitit, Populitq; amorem tutor ac victor fuit*, hee that will but resist at first may easily be a conqueror at the last, *Balsasar Castilio lib. 4.* vrgeth this prescript aboue the rest, *† when he shall chance (saith he) to light vpon a woman, that hath good behauiour ioyned with her excellent person, and shall perceauie his eyes, with a kinde of greedinesse, to pull vnto them this Image of beauty, and carry it to the heart: and shall obserue himselfe to bee somewhat incended with this influence, which moueth within: when he shall discern those subtile spirits sparkling in her eyes, to administer more fuell to the fire, he must wisely withstand the beginnings, yowze vp reason stupified almost, fortifie his heart by all meanes, and shut vp all those passages, by which it may haue entrance. 'Tis a precept which all concurre vpon,*

¶ Seneca.

† Cum in mulierem incidit, que cum formâ morum suauitatem coniunctam habet, et iam oculos persenserit forme ad se imaginem cum auiditate quâdam rapere, cum eadem, &c.

¶ Ouid. de rem. lib. 1.

¶ Opprime dum noua sunt subiti mala semina morbi, Dum licet, in primo limine siste pedem.

Thy quicke disease, whilst it is fresh to day,

By all meanes crush, thy feet at first step stay.

¶ Eneas Sylvius

Which cannot speedier be done, then if he confesse his griefe and passion to some judicious friend (*qui tacitus ardet magis uritur*, the more he conceales the greater is his paine) that by his good aduise may happily ease him of a sudden; and withall to auoid occasions, or any circumstance that may aggrauate his disease. To keepe out of her company, which *Hierome* so much labours to *Paula*, to *Nepotian*; *Cbrysostome* so much inculcates in *ser. in com. tabern. Cyprian*, and many other Fathers of the Church. *Siracides* in his 6. chapter, *Iason Pratensis*, *Savanorola*, *Arnoldus*, *Valleriola &c.* and euery Physitian that treats of this subiect. Not only to avoid as *Gregory Tholossanus* exhorts, *kissing, dalliance, all speeches, tokens, lone-letters and the like*, or as *Castilio lib. 4.* to conuerse with them, heare them speake, *† those amiable smiles, admirable graces, and sweet gestures*, which their presence affords: but all talke, name, mention, and cogitation of them, and of all other women, persons, or any circumstance, amorous booke, or tale that may administer any occasion of remembrance. *† Prosper* forbids young men to read the *Canticles* & some parts of *Genesis* at other times, but for such as are inamored they forbid, as before, all name, mention, &c. especially al sight, they must not so much as see them, or looke vpon them.

¶ Tom. 2. lib. 4. cap. 10. syntag. med. ars. mirab. uisitantur oscula, eatus, sermo et scripta impudica, litera, &c.

¶ Tam admirabilem splendorem declinet, gratiam, scintillas, amabilem visum, gestus suauissimos, &c.

† Lib. 3. de vit. gelitum compar. cap. 6.

¶ Lucretius.

¶ Et fugitare decet simulachra & pabula amoris,

Abstinere sibi atq; alio conuertere mentem. Gaze not on a maid, saith

Siracides, turne away thine eyes from a beautifull woman, c. 9. ver. 7. 8. auerte oculos

culos, saith David, or if thou doe see them, as *Ficino* aduise, let not thine eye be intentus ad libidinem, doe not intend her more then the rest: but as *Hierome* to *Nepotian*, aut equaliter ama, aut equaliter ignora, either see all alike, or let all alone; and that is the safest course, let all alone, see none of them. Nothing sooner reuiues, ^m or waxeth sore againe, as *Petrarch* holds, then loue doth by sight. As *Pompe* reuiues ambition; the sight of gold, conetousnesse; a beauntious object sets on fire this burning lust.

Et multum saliens incitat vnda sitim.

The sight of drinke makes one dry, and the sight of meat increaseth appetite. Especially if hee haue beene formerly inamored, the sight of his mistris strikes him into a new fit, and makes him raue many dayes after.

*Infirmis causa pusilla nocet,
Vt pend extinctum cinerem si sulphure tangas,
Vinet, & ex minimo maximus ignis erit:
Sic nisi vitabis quicquid renouabit amorem,
Flamma resuscitet, quae modo nulla fuit.*

A sickly man a little thing offends,
As brimstone doth a fire decayed renew,
And make it burne afresh, doth loues dead flames,
If that the former object it reuiue.

Or as the Poet compares it to embers in ashes, which the wind blowes, ^o ut solet à ventis, &c. a scould head (as the saying is) is soone broken, dry wood soone kindles, and when they haue beene formerly wounded by sight, how can they by seeing but bee inflamed? *Ismenius* acknowledgeth as much of himselfe, when he had beene long absent, and almost forgotten his mistresse, ^p at the first sight of her, as straw in a fire, I burned afresh, and more then euer I did before. ^q *Chariclia* was as much moued at the sight of her deare *Theagenes*, after he had beene a great stranger. [†] *Mertila* in *Aristanetus* swore shee would neuer loue *Pamphilus* againe, and did moderate her passion, so long as he was absent; but the next time he came in presence, she could not contain effuse amplexa attriectari se finit, &c. she broke her vow, and did profusely embrace him. *Hermotinus* a young man (in the said * Author) is all out as vnstaide, hee had forgot his mistris quite, and by his friends was well weaned from her loue; but seeing her by chance, he raued amaine. *Illa tamen emergens veluti lucida stella capit elucere*, &c. shee did appeare as a starre, or an Angell to his sight. And it is the common passion of all Louers to bee quercome in this sort. For that cause belike *Alexander* fore-knowing this inconvenience and danger that comes by seeing, ^r when he heard *Darius* wife so much commended for her beauty, would scarce admit her to come in his sight. And when as *Araspus* in *Xenophon*, had so much magnified that diuine face of *Panthea* to *Cyrus*, ^s by how much she was fairer then ordinary, by so much hee was the more unwilling to see her. *Scipio* a yong man of 23 yeares of age, at the siege of a City in *Spain*, when as a Noble and a most faire yong Gentlewoman was brought vnto him, ^t and he had heard she was betrothed to a Lord, rewarded her, and sent her backe to her sweet-heart. *Xenocrates* lay with *Lais* of *Corinth* all night, and would not touch her. ^u It is a good happinesse to be free from this pas-

^m Dial. 3. de contemptu mundi. Nihil facilius recrudescit quam amor, ut pompa visa renouat ambitionem, auris species auariti- am, spectata corporis forma incendit luxuri- am.

ⁿ Ouid.
^o Met. 7. ut so- let à ventis a- limenta resume- re quaeque parua sub inducia la- tuit scintilla fa- villa crescere, & in veteres agi- tata resurgere flammam.

^p Eustathy 13 aspectus amorem incendit, ut mar- cescentem in- palea ignem venius, ardebam interea maiore concepto incen- do.

^q Heliodorus lib. 4. Inflam- mat mentem nouus aspectus, perinde ac ignis materiae admo- tum, Chariclia, &c.

[†] Epist. 15. lib. 2.
^r Epist. 4. lib. 2.
^s Curtius lib. 3. cum uxorem Da- rii laudatam au- diuisset, tantum cupiditati sue frenum iniecit, ut illam vix- set intueri.

^t Cyripedia cum Pantheae forma exuisset Aras- pus, tanto magis, inquit Cyrus, ab- sistere oportet, quanta pulchrior est.

^{*} *Linus*. Cum eam vago equo cuidam desponsatam audiuisset, muneribus cumulatam remisit. ^u *Heliodorus* lib. 4. expertem esse amoris beatitudo est, at quum capta sit ad moderationem remouere animum, prudentia singulari.

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* Lucretius l. 4

* Nam vitare plagas in amoris ne iaceamus
Non ita difficile est, quam captum retibus ipsis
Exire, & validos Veneris perrumpere nodos.

To auoide such nets is no such mastery,
But tane to escape is all the victory.

† Hecus lib. 1.
de amor. cons-
tens.

But forasmuch as few men are free, so discreet Louers, or that can containe themselves, and moderate their passions, to curbe their senses, as not to see them, not to looke lasciuiously, not to conferre with them, such is the fury of this head-strong passion, and their weaknesse *ferox ille ardor à natura insitus*, as † he tearmes it, such a furious desire Nature hath inscrib'd, which neither reason, counsell, pouerty, paine, misery, drudgery, *partus dolor*, &c. can deterre them from, we must vse some speedy meanes to correct and prevent that, and all other inconveniences, that come by conference & the like. The best, readiest, & surest way, & which all approue, is *Loci mutatio*, to send them seuerall wayes, that they may neither heare of, nor see, nor haue opportunity to send to one another againe. *Elongatio à patria*, tis *Savonarola's* fourth rule, and *Gordonius* precept, *distrahatur ad longinquas regiones*, send him to trauell. 'Tis that which all runne vpon, as so many hounds with full cry, Poets, Diuines, Philosophers, Physitians, all, *mutet patriam, Valesius*. * as a sicke man he must be cured with change of Aire, *Tully 4. Tusc.* The best remedy is to get thee gone: *Iason Pratenfis*, change aire and soyle, *Laurentius*, *Fuge littus amarum*. Virg. *Vtile finitimis abstinuisse locis*.

* Loci mutatio-
ne tanquam
non conualescens
curandus est.
cap. 11.

† Amorini lib. 2.
Quisquis amat,
loca nota nocent,
dies egitudinem
adimit, absentia
delet. Ire licet
procul hinc, pa-
triam, relinquere
fines. Ovid.

* Proximum est
ut esurias, 2. ut
moram temporis
opponas. 3. & lo-
cum mutes. 4. ut
de laqueo cogi-
tes.

* Philostratus
de vitis Sophi-
storum.

† Buchanan.

— *sea fuge tutus eris*. Trauelling is an Antidote of loue, time and absence weare away paine and griefe, as fire goes out for want of fuell. All which * *Hensius* merrily inculcates in an Epistle to his friend *Primierus*. First fast, then tarry, thirdly change thy place, fourthly thinke of an haltar. If change of place, continuance of time, absence will not weare it out with those precedent remedies, it will hardly be remoued: but these commonly are of force. *Felix Plater observ. lib. 1.* had a baker to his patient, almost mad for the loue of his maide, and desperate, by remouing her from him, hee was in a short space cured. *Isaues* a Philosopher of *Assyria*, was a most dissolute liuer in his youth, *palam lasciuens*, in loue with all he met; but after hee be-tooke himselfe by his friends aduice to his study, & left womens companies, he was so changed, that he cared no more for pleas, nor feasts, nor masks, fine cloathes, nor no such loue-toyes, he became a new man vpon a sudden, *tanquam si priores oculos amississet*, (saith mine * Author) as if hee had lost his former eyes. *Peter Godefridus* in the last chapter of his third booke, hath a story out of Saint *Ambrose*, of a yong man that meeting his old Loue after long absence, on whom he had extremely doted, would scarce take notice of her, she wondred at it, that he should so lightly esteeme her, called him againe, and told him who she was, *Ego sum inquit, At ego non sum ego*; But hee replied, he was not the same man, loathing his folly, and ashamed of that which formerly he had done, † *Non sum stultus ut ante iam Neera*.

Petrarch hath such another tale of a young gallant, that loued a wench with

one eye, & for that cause by his parents was sent to trauell into farre Countreyes, ^a after some yeeres he returned, and meeting the maide for whose sake he was sent abroad, asked her how and by what chance shee lost her eye? no said she, I haue lost none, but you haue found yours: Signifying thereby that all Louers were blind, as *Fabius* saith, *Amantes de forma iudicare non possunt*, Louers cannot iudge of beautie, nor scarce of any thing else, as they will easily confesse after they returne vnto themselues, by some discontinuance or better aduice, and wonder at their owne folly, madnesse, stupidity, blindnesse, condemn themselues that euer they should be so besotted and misled; and be heartily glad that they haue so happily escaped.

If so be (which is seldome) that change of place will not effect this alteration, then other remedies are to bee annexed, faire and foule meanes, as to perswade, promise, threaten, terrifie, or to diuert by some contrary passion, rumour, tales, newes, or some witty invention, to alter his affection, ^b by some greater sorrow, to driue out the lesse, saith *Gordonius*, as that his house is on fire, his best friends dead, his money stolne, ^c That he is made some great Gouerneur, or hath some honour, office, some inheritance is befallne him, he shal be a Knight, a Baron: or by some false accusation, as they doe to such as haue the hickehope, to make them forget it. *Saint Hierome* lib. 2. epist. 16. to *Rusticus* the monke, hath an instance of a young man of Greece, that liued in a Monastery in Egypt, that by no labour, no continence, no perswasion could be diuerted, but at last by this trick he was deliuered. The Abbot sets one of his conuent to quarrell with him, and with some scandalous reproach or other, to defame him before company, & then to come and complaine first, the witnesses were likewise suborned for the plaintiffe. The yong man wept, and when all were against him, the Abbot cunningly tooke his part, lest he should be ouercome with immoderate griefe: but what neede many words? by this invention hee was cured, and alienated from his pristine loue thoughts. Iniuries, slaunders, contempts, disgraces, are very forcible meanes to with draw mens affections, *contumeliâ affectû amatores amare desinunt*, as *Lucian* saith, Louers reuiled or neglected, contemned or misused, turne loue to hate, ^f *redeam non si me obsecret. Ille neuer loue thee more. Egone illam, que illum, que me, que non?* So *Zephirus* hated *Hyacinthus* because he scorned him, and preferred his coriuall *Apollo* (*Palephatus fab. nar.*) he will not come againe though hee be invited. Tell him but how he was scoffed at behinde his backe, (^g tis the counsell of *Avicenna*) that his loue is false, & entertaines another, cares not for him, or that she is a foole, a nasty queane, a slut, a fixen, a scold, a diuell, or which *Italians* commonly doe, that he or she hath some loathsome filthy disease, gout, stone, strangury, falling sicknesse, & they are hereditary, not to be auoided, hee is subiect to a consumption, hath the Poxe, that hee hath three or foure incurable tetteres, issues: that shee is bald, her breath stinkes, she is mad by inheritance, & so are all the kinred, an h are-braine, with many other secret infirmities, which I will not so much as name, belonging to women. That he is an Hermaphrodite, an Eunuch, imperfect, impotent, a spendthrift, a gamester, a foole, a gull, a begger, a whoremaster, farre in debt, and not able to maintaine her, a common drunkard, his mother was a witch, his father hanged, that he hath a wolf in his bosome, a sore leg, he is a leper, hath some incurable disease, that he will surely beat her, he cannot hold his water, that he walkes in the night, wil stab his

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^a Cum post aliquot annos iam reversus, illi obviam factus esset, quam vehementer amarat, rogat, quocaso illa oculum amississet non inquit, amisi oculum, sed tu oculos invenisti.

^b Annuntiatur valde tristitia, ut maior tristitia possit minorem obscurare.

^c Aut quod sit factus senesculus, aut habeat honorem magnum.

^d Adol. scem.

^e Gracius erat in.

^f Ter.

^g Ter.

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his bedfellow, tell all his secrets in his sleepe, & that no body dare lye with him, his house is haunted with spirits, with such fearefull & tragicall things, able to auert & terrifie any man or woman liuing. *Gordonius cap. 20. part. 2.* hunc in modum consulit, *Paretur aliqua vetula turpissima aspectu, cum turpi & vili habitu: & portet subtus gremium pannum menstruaem, & dicat quod amica sua sit ebriosa, & quod mingat in lecto, & quod est epileptica & impudica, & quod in corpore suo sunt excrescentia enormes, cum fetore anhelitus, & alia enormitates, quibus vetula sunt edocta: si nolit his persuaderi, subito extrahat & pannum menstruaem, coram facie portando, exclamando, talis est amica tua, & si ex his non demiserit, non est homo, sed diabolus incarnatus.* Idem ferè *Avicenna cap. 24. de cura Ilishi, Lib. 3. Fen. 1. Tract. 4. narrent res immundas vetula, ex quibus abominationem incurrat, & res horridas, & hoc assidue.* Idem *Arculanus cap. 16. in 9. Rhafis, &c.*

^g Hypatia Alexandrina quædam se adamantem, prolatis muliebribus pannis, & in eum coniectis, ut amoris insaniâ liberaret. Suidas & Eupapius.
^h Savanarola reg. 5.
ⁱ Virg. Egl. 2.
^j Distributio amoris fiat in plures, ad plures amicas animum applicet.
^k Ouid.

subdivi

Withall as they doe discommend the old, for the better effecting a more speedy alteration, they must commend another Paramour, *alteram inducere*, set him or her to be wooed, or woe some other, that shall bee fairer, of better note, better fortune, birth, parentage, much to be preferred,

[†] *Invenies alium si te hic fastidit Alexis,* by this meanes, which *Iason Pratenfis* wisheth, to turne the streame of affection another way, *Successore novo traditur omnis amor.* or as *Valesius* advi-

seth, by ⁱ *subduing* to diminish it.

^k *Hortor & ut pariter binas habeatis amicas, &c.*

If you suspect to be taken, bee sure, saith the Poet, to haue two mistresses at once, or goe from one to another: or bring him to some publike shewes, playes, meetings, where he may see variety, & hee shall likely loathe his first choice: carry him but to the next town, yea peradventure to the next house, and as *Paris* lost *Oenones* loue by seeing *Helena*, he will dislike his former mistress. A young man in ^a *Lucian* was pitifully in loue, he came to the Theater by chance, and by seeing other faire objects there, *mentis sanitatem recepit*, was fully recovered, ^b and went merrily home, as if he had taken a draught of oblivion. ^c A mouse (saith an Apologer) was brought vp in a chest, there fed with fragments of bread and cheese, thought there could bee no better meate, till comming forth at last, & feeding liberally of other variety of viands, loathed his former life: moralize this fable thy selfe. *Plato* in his seventh booke *De legibus*, hath a pretty fiction of a Citty vnder ground, ^d to which by little holes, some small store of light came, the Inhabitants thought there could not be a better place, & at their first comming abroad they could not endure the light, *agerrimè solem intueri*; but after they were accustomed a little to it, they deplored their fellowes misery that lived vnder ground. A silly Louer is in like state, none so faire as his Mistress at first, he cares for none but her; but after a while when he hath compared her with others, he abhors her name, sight and memory. Tis generally true; for as hee obserues, ^l *Priorem flammam novus ignis extrudit, & ea multorum natura, ut presentes maxime ament.* One fire driues out another, and such is womens weaknesse, that they loue commonly him that is present. And so doe many men (as he confessed) he loued *Amye*, till hee saw *Floriat*, and when he saw *Cynthia*, forgat them both: but faire *Phyllis* was incomparably beyond them all, *Cloris* surpassed her, and yet when he espied *Amaryllis*, she was his sole mistress, *O diuine Amaryllis,*

^a Lib. de salt.

^b E theatro egressus hilaris, ac si pharmacum oblivionis bibisset.

^c Mus in cista natus, &c.

^d In quem specu subterraneo, modicum lucis illabitur.

^e Deplorabant eorum miseriam qui subterraneis illis locis vitam elegant.

^l *Tatiana lib. 6.*

maryllis, quàm procera, quàm elegans, quàm decens? &c. how louely, how tall, how comely ſhe was, (ſaith *Polemius*) till he ſaw another, and then ſhe was the ſole ſubieſt of his thoughts. * *Triton* the Sea god firſt loued *Leucothoe*, till he came in preſence of *Milene*, ſhee was the commandreſſe of his heart till he ſaw *Galatea*; but (as ſhe complaines) hee loued another eſtſones, another, and another. Tis a thing which by *Hieromes* report, hath beene vſually practiſed. ^m *Heathen Philoſophers* drive out one loue with another, as they doe a pegge, for pinne with a pinne. Which theſe ſeuene *Persian Princes* did to *Aſuerus*, that they might requite the deſire of *Queene Vaſhti* with the loue of others. *Pauſanias* in *Eliaci*, ſaith, that therefore one *Cupid* was painted to contend with another, & to take the garland from him, becauſe one loue drives out another. ⁿ *Alterius vires ſubtrahit alter amor.*

and *Tully* 3. nat. deor. diſputing with *C. Cotta*, makes mention of three ſeueral *Cupids*, all differing in office. *Felix Platter* in the firſt booke of his obſervations, boasts how he cured a widower in *Baſil*, a patient of his, by this ſtratagem alone, that doted vpon a poore ſervant his maide, when friends, children, no perſuaſion could ſerue to alienate his minde: they motioned him to another honeſt mans daughter in the towne, whom he loued, & liued with, long after, abhorring the very name and ſight of the firſt. After the death of *Lucretia*, ^o *Enrius* would admit of no comfort, till the Emperour *Sigismunde* married him to a noble Lady of his Court, and ſo in ſhort ſpace he was freed.]

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By counſell and perſwaſion, ſouleſſe of the fact, mens, womens faults, miſeries of marriage, euents of luſt, &c.

AS there bee many cauſes of this burning luſt, or heroicall Loue; ſo there bee many good remedies to eaſe and helpe, amongſt which, good counſell and perſwaſion, which I ſhould haue handled in the firſt place, are of great moment, & not to be omitted. Many are of opinion, that in this blind head-ſtrong paſſion, counſell can doe no good.

P Quæ enim res in ſe, neq; conſilium, neq; modum

Habet, ullo eam conſilio regere non potes.

Which thing hath neither Iudgment, or an end,

How ſhould aduice or counſell it amend?

— *quis enim modus adſit amori?*

But without queſtion, good counſell & aduice muſt needs be of great force, eſpecially if it ſhall proceed from a wiſe, fatherly, reuerent, diſcreet perſon, a man of authority whom the parties doe reſpect, or ſtand in awe of, or from a iudicious friend; of it ſelfe alone, it is able to diuert and ſuffice. *Gordonius* the Phyſician attributes ſo much to it, that hee would haue it by all meanes vſed in the firſt place. *Amoveatur ab illâ conſilio viri quem timet, oſtendendo pericula ſæculi, iudicium inferni, gaudia Paradifi.* Hee would haue ſome diſcreet men to diſſwade them, after the fury of paſſion is a little ſpent, or by abſence allaid; for it is intempeſtiue at firſt, to giue counſell, as it is, to comfort parents when their children are in that inſtant departed: let paſſion haue his courſe a while, and then he may proceede, by fore-ſhewing the miſerable e-

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† *Auſtinetus*

epiſt. 4.

† *Calcagninus*

dial. Galat. Mox

aliâ prætulit,

aliâ prælatu-

rus quàm pri-

mum: occaſio ar-

riſerit.

† *Epist. lib. 2. 16*

Philophi ſeculi

veterem amorem

novi, quaſi cla-

vum clavo re-

pellere, quod &

Aſſuero Regi

ſeptem Principes

Persarum fe-

cere, ut *Vaſta*

Regina deſideri-

um, amore com-

penſarent.

† *Quid.*

† *Lugubri veſte*

indutus, conſola-

tiones non ad-

miſit, donec *Ca-*

ſar ex ducali

ſanguine, forma-

ſam virginem

matrimonio con-

iunxit. *Aeneas*

Sylvius hiſt. de

Eurialo & *Læ-*

erina.

† *Ter.*

† *Ving. Egl. 2.*

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† Lib. de beat.
vit. cap. 14.

* Longo usu di-
dicimus, longā
defectudine de-
discendum est.
Petrarch. epist.
lib. 5. 8.

† Tom. 4. dial.
meret. Fortasse
etiam ipsa ad a-
morem ipsum
nonnihil contri-
bero.

* Quid enim
meretrix nisi ui-
uentis expila-
trix, uirorum
rapina seu mors;
patrimonij de-
voratrix, hono-
ris peritrix, pa-
bulum diaboli,
ianua mortis,
inferni supple-
mentum.

* Sanguinem
hominum sor-
bent.

* Contemplatio-
ne Idiot. c. 34.
discrimen uitæ,
mors blanda,
mel felleum, dul-
ce venenum,
pernitias delica-
ta, malum spon-
taneum, &c.

† Parnodidasc.
dial. Ital. gula,
ira, inuidia, su-
perbia, sacrilegia,
latrocinia, &c.
des, eo die nata
sunt, quo primū
meretrix profes-
sionem fecit.

Superbia maior
quā opulenti
rustici, inuidia
quā his ve-
nerce inimicitia
nocentior melā-
cholia, auaritia
in immensum
profunda.

* Qualis extra
sum vides, qua-
lis intra nouit
Deus, &c.

uents and dangers which will surely happen, the paines of hell, ioyes of Pa-
radise, and the like, which by their preposterous courses they shall forfeit or
incur; and 'tis a fit method, a very good meanes: for which † *Seneca* said of
vice, I say of loue, *Sine magistro discitur, vix sine magistro describitur*, 'Tis lear-
ned of it selfe, but * hardly left without a Tutor. 'Tis not amisse therefore to
haue some such ouerseer, to expostulate and shew them such absurdities, in-
conueniences, imperfections, discontents, as vsually follow; which their
blindnesse, furie, madnesse, cannot apply vnto themselves, or will not apprehend
and good for them to disclose themselves, to giue eare to friendly ad-
monitions. Tell me sweetheart, (saith *Tryphena* to loue-sicke *Charmides* in
† *Lucian*) what it is that troubles thee; per aduenture I can ease thy minde, and
further thee in thy suite, and so without question shee might, and so maist
thou, if the Patient be capable of good counsell, and will heare at least what
may be said.

If he loue at all, she is either an honest woman or a whore. If dishonest,
let him read or inculcate to him that 5. of *Salomons Prou. Eccles. 26. Ambros.*
lib. 1. cap. 4 in his booke of *Abel and Cain*, *Philo Iudeus de mercede meret. Pla-*
tinas dial. in *Amores*, *Espenceus*, and those three bookes of *Pet. Hadus de con-*
tem. amoribus, *Aneas Syluius tart. Epistle*, which he writ to his friend *Nicho-*
las of wartburge, which he calls *medelam illiciti amoris*, &c. † For what's an
whore, as he saith, but a piller of youth, * ruine of men, a destruction, a deuourer of
patrimonies, a downefall of honour, fodder for the diuell, the gate of death, & sup-
plement of hell. † *Talis amor est laqueus anime*, &c. a bitter hony, sweet poy-
son, delicate destruction, a voluntary mischiefe, *commixtum cœnum*, *sterquilini-*
um. And as † *Pet. Aratines Lucretia*, a notable queane, confesseth; *Glutto-*
ny, *anger*, *enuy*, *pride*, *sacrilege*, *theft*, *slaughter*, were all borne that day that a
whore beganne her profession: for as she followes it, her pride is greater then a
rich charles, she is more enuious then the pox, as malicious as melancholy, as co-
vetous as hell. If from the beginning of the world any were mala, peior, pessima,
bad in the superlatiue degree, tis a whore; how many haue I undone, caused to be
wounded, slaine. O *Antonia* thou seest what I am without, but within God
knowes, a puddle of iniquity, a sinke of sinne, a pocky queane. Let him now that
so dotes, meditate on this. Let him see the euent & successe of others, *Samp-*
son, *Hercules*, *Holofernes*, &c. those infinite mischiefes attend it: if shee be an-
other mans wife he loues, 'tis abominable in the sight of God & men, adul-
tery is expressly forbidden in Gods commandement, a mortall sinne, able
to endanger his soule, and if he be such a one as feares God, or haue any reli-
gion, he will eschew it, and abhorre the loathsomenesse of his own fact. If he
loue an honest maid, tis to abuse or marry her: if to abuse, 'tis fornication, a
fowle fact, and almost equall to adultery it selfe. If to marry, let him seriou-
ly consider what he takes in hand, looke before he leape, and examine first the
partie and condition of his estate and hers, whether it bee a fit match, for for-
tunes, yeares, parentage, & such other circumstances, *an sit sue Veneris*. Whe-
ther it be likely to proceed: if not, let him wisely staue himselfe off at the first,
curb in his inordinate passion, & moderate his desire, by thinking of some o-
ther subiect, diuert his cogitations. If hee bee sickly, soft, deformed, let him
thinke of his deformities, vices, infirmities; if in debt, let him ruminate how
to pay his debts; if he be in any danger, let him seeke to auoid it; if he haue a-
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ny law-sute, or other businesse, he may doe well to let his loue matters alone and follow it, and labour in his vocation, what euer it is. But if he cannot so ease himselfe, yet let him wisely premeditate of both their estates; If they be vnequall in yeares, the young and he old, what an vnfit match must it needs be, an vneuen yoke, how absurd & vndecent a thing is it, as *Lycinus* in *Lucian* told *Timolaus*, for an old bald crooke-nosed knaue to marry a young wench, how odious a thing is it to see an old leacher: for a young man to marry an old wife for a peece of good. But put case she bee equall in yeares, birth, fortunes, and other qualities correspondent, and hee doth desire to bee coupled in marriage, which is an honourable estate, but for what respects? Her beauty belike, and comeliness of person, that is commonly the maine obiect, she is a most absolute forme in his eye at least, but doe other men as firme as much? or is it an error in his iudgement? It may be, to thee thy selfe vpon a more serious examination, or after a little absence, she is not so faire as she seemes. *Quadam videntur & non sunt.* Compare her to another standing by, 'tis a touchstone to try, conferre hand to hand, body to body, face to face, eye to eye, nose to nose, necke to necke, &c. examine euery part by it selfe, and then altogether, and tell mee how thou likest her. It may be not she, that is so faire, but her coats, or put another in her cloathes, and she will seeme all out as faire, as the Poet then prescribes, separate her from her cloths: suppose thou sawst her in a base beggers weed, or else dressed in some old hirsute attires out of fashion, fowle linnen, course rayment, besmeared with soot, colly, perfumed with *Opoponax*, *Sagapenum*, *Assafoetida*, or some such filthy gummes, durty, about some vndecent action or other; or in such a case as *Brasilius* the Physitian found *Malacta* his patient, after a potion of *Hellebor*, which he had prescribed: *Manibus in terram depositis, & ano versus caelum elevato (ac si videretur Socraticus ille Aristophanes, qui Geometricas figuras in terram scribens, tubera colligere videbatur) atrabilem in albam parietem iniebat, adeoq; totam cameram & se deturpabat, ut, &c.* all to be rayed, or worse, if thou sawst her (I say) Wouldst thou affect her as thou dost? Suppose thou sawst her in a frosty morning, in cold weather, or in some passion or perturbation of minde, riueld and ill fauoured to behold. She many times that in a composed looke seemes so amiable & delightful, if she doe but laugh or smile, makes an vgly sparrowmouthed face, & shewes a paire of vneuen, lothsome, rotten, blacke teeth. Shee hath a blacke skinne, gouty legges, a deformed crooked carkase vnder a fine coat. It may be for all her costly tyres she is bald, and though she seeme so faire by darke, or by candlelight, or a farre off at such a distance, as *Callieratides* obserued in *Lucian*, If thou shouldst see her neere, or in a morning, shee would appeare more vgly then a beast. Follow my counsell, see her vndrest, see her, if it be possible, out of her attyres. *furtinis nudatam coloribus*, it may bee shee is like *Aesopes* Jay, or *Plinies* *Cantarides*, she will be loathsome, ridiculous, thou wilt not endure her sight: or suppose thou sawst her sicke, pale, in a consumption, on her death bed, skinne and bones, or now dead. *Cuius erat gratissimus amplexus*, as *Bernard* saith, *erit horribilis aspectus.*

Non redolet sed olet, quae redolet solet. As a posie, she smells sweet and is most fresh and faire one day, but dried vp, withered, and stinks another. Beautifull *Nereus*, by that *Homer* so much admired, once dead, is more

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deformed

Tom. 2. in vitiis: calvus cum fis, nasum habes simum, &c.

Ovid.

In Catartico lib. 2.

si serueat deformis, ecce formosa est; si frigeat formosa iam sit informis. Th. Morus Epigram.

* Amorum dial. Tom. 4. si quis ad amorem contempletur multas mulieres a nocte lecto surgentes, turpiter pulabit esse bestias.

* Hist. nat. II. cap. 35. A flye that hath golden wings but a poisoned body.

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† Buchanan
Hendecasyll.

deformed then *Thersites*, and *Solomon* deceased as vgly as *Marcolphus*: thy
louely mistris, that was erst † *Charis charior estimata ocellis*,
dearer to thee then thine eyes, once sicke or departed, is

Vili vilior estimata cano, worse then any durt or dunghill. Her
embraces were not so acceptable, as now her lookes be terrible, thou hadst
better behold a *Gorgons* head, then *Helenas* carcase.

† Apol. pro
Rem. Seb.

† Ouid. 2. rem.

Some are of opinion, that to see a woman naked is able of it selfe to alter
his affection, and it is worthy of consideration, saith † *Montaigne* the *French-*
man in his *Essayes*, that the skilfullest masters of amorous daliances, appoint
for a remedy of venereous passions, a full suruay of the body; which the Poet
insinuates, † *Ille quod obscenas in aperto corpore partes*

Viderat, in cursu qui fuit, hæsīt amor.

The loue stood still, that ran in full careire,

When once it saw those parts should not appeare.

It is reported of *Selencus* king of *Syria*, that seeing his wife *Sratonices* balde
pate, as she was vndressing her by chance, he could neuer affect her after. *Ra-*
mundus Lullius the Physitian, spying an vlcere or canker in his mistris brest,
whom he so dearely loued, from that day following abhor'd the lookes of
her. *Philip* the *French K.* as *Neubrigensis, lib. 4. cap. 24.* relates it, married the
king of *Denmarks* daughter † and after he had used her as a wife one night, be-
cause her breath stunke some say, or for some other secret fault, sent her backe a-
gaine. Many such matches are made for by respects, or some seemely come-
lineffe, which after hony moones past, turne to bitterneffe, for burning lust
is but a flash, a gunpowder passion, and hatred oft followes in the highest
degree, dislike and contempt. † *Cum se cutis arida laxat,*

† Post unam
noctem incer-
tum unde offen-
sam cepit, prop-
ter solentem e-
ius spiritum, a-
lii dicunt, velle
veniem sedita-
tem repudiavit,
rem faciem pla-
ne illicitam, &
regie persone
multum in deco-
ram.
† Juvenal.

Fiunt obscuri dentes — when they wax old, and
ill fauored, they may commonly no longer abide them,

— *Iam graues nobis*, be gone, they growe stale, fulsome
loathsome, odious, thou art a beastly filthy queane, (I say) be gone.

Yea but you will inferre, your mistris is compleat, of a most absolute
forme in all mens opinions, no exceptions can be taken at her person, shee is
the mirror of women for her beauty, comelineffe and pleasant grace.

mera delitia, meri lepores, she is *Myrothecium Veneris, Gratia-*
rum pixis, she hath all the *Veneres*, and graces,

† Lochens.

— *mille faces & mille figuras*, in each part absolute and
compleat, † *Leta genas, leta os roseum, vaga lumina leta*. to be admir-
red for her person, a most incomparable, ynmatchable peice, *nulli secunda*, a
meere quintessence. Put case she be, how long will she continue?

* Seneca.

† Seneca Hipp.
† Camerarius
emb. 68. cent 1.
flos omnium
pulcherrimus fla-
rim languescit
forme typus.

† *Florem decoris singuli carpunt dies*: Euery day detracts from
her person, and this beauty is *bonum fragile*, a meere flash. † *Anceps forma*
bonum mortalibus — *exigui donum breue temporis*, it will not last. As
that fayre flowre † *Adonis*, which wee call *Anemone*, flourisheth but one
month, this gracious all commanding beauty fades in an instant. It is a iewel
soone lost, the painters Goddesse, *falsa veritas*, a meere picture. *Fauour is de-*
ceitfull, and beauty is vanity, *Prou. 31. 30.*

† Bernar. Bau-
bus Epig. l. 4.

† *Vitrea gemmula, fluxaq. bullula, candida forma est,*
Nix, Rosa, ros, ventus, fumus & aura, nihil.

A brittle Jem, bubble, is beauty pale,

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ABose, dewe, snow, smoke, winde, ayre, naught at all.

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If she be fayre, as the saying is, she is commonly a foole, if prowd, scornefull, *sequitur q. superbia formam*, or dishonest, *rara est concordia forma atq. pudicitia*. can she be fayre and honest too? ^a *Aristo* the sonne of *Agasicles* married a *Spartan* lasse, the fairest Lady in all *Greece* next to *Helen*, but for her conditions the most abominable, and beastly creature of the world. So that I would wish thee to respect with ^b *Seneca* not her person but qualities. Will you say thats a good blade which hath a guilded scabbard, embroadered with gold, and jewels? No, but that which hath a good edge, good point, well tempered mettle, able to resist. This beauty is but of the body alone, and what is that, but as ^c *Gregory Nazianzen* telleth vs, 'a mocke of time and sicknesse, or as *Boethius*, as mutable as a flowre, and tis not nature so makes vs, but most part the infirmity of the beholder. For aske another, he sees no such matter. Dic mihi per *Gratias* qualis tibi videtur, I pray thee tell me, how thou likest my sweetheart, as she asked her sister in ^d *Aristinatus*, whom I so much admire, me thinks hee is euen the sweetest Gentleman, the properest man that euer I saw; but I am in loue, I confesse, and cannot therefore well iudge. She suspects her Iudgment, as well she might, and so maist thou. But be she faire indeed, golden haired, as *Anacreon* his *Bathillus*, (to examine particulars) she haue

^a *Pausanias* *Lacon. lib. 3. vxore duxit Spartae mulierum omnium pulcherrimam, atq. mores omnium turpissimos*.
^b *Epist. 76. gladium bonum dices, non cui decoratus est baltheus, nec cui vagina gemmis distinguitur, sed cui ad secundum subtilis acies & mucro munimentum omne rupturus.*
^c *Pulchritudo corporis, temporis & morbi labdibrium orat. 3.*
^d *Florum mutabilitate fugacior, nec sua natura formosus facit, sed spectantium iusi mitas.*
^e *Epist. 1. 1. Quae ego deperes. Iuuenis mihi pulcherrimus videtur sed fors an amore percita de amore non recte iudico.*
^f *Luc. Brugen. sis car. reliquis.*
^g *Idem.*
^h *Bebelius adagius ger.*
ⁱ *Petron. Catal.*

† *Flammeolos oculos, collaq. lactesla.*

or a pure sanguine

complexion, little mouth, corall lippes, whiteteeth, soft & plumpe necke, body, hands, feete, all faire & louely to beholde, composed of all graces, elegances, an absolute piece,

† *Lumina sint Aclitae Iunonia, dextra Minerva, Mamilla Veneris, sura maris domina, &c.*

Let ^d her head be from *Prage*, paps out of *Austria*, belly from *France*, backe from *Brabant*, hands out of *England*, feet from *Rhine*, buttocks from *Switzerland*, let her haue the *Spanish* gate, the *Venetian* tire, *Italian* complements & endowments,

† *Candida syderijs ardescant lumina flammis, Sudent colla rosas, & cedat crinibus aurum, Mellea purpureum depromant ora ruborem, Fulgeat, ac Venerem caelesti corpore vincat, Forma dearum omnis, &c.*

let her be such a one throughout, as *Lucian* decipheres in his *Images*, as *Euphanor* of old painted *Venus*, *Aristinatus* describes *Lais*, another *Helena*, *Chariclia*, *Leucippe*, *Lucretia*, *Panthea*, *Pandora*, let her haue a box of beauty to repaire her selfe still, such a one as *Venus* gaue *Phanias*, when hee carried her ouer the forde, let her haue all helpes Art & Nature can yeeld, be like her and her, and whom thou wilt, or all these in one; A little sicknesse, a feuer, small poxe, a wound, a scarre, losse of an eye, or limme, a violent passion, a distemperature of heat or cold, marres all in an instant, disfigures all, child-bearing, old age, care, riuels her vpon a sudden; after shee hath beene married a small while, and the blacke oxe hath troden on her toe, shee will be so much altered, and wax out of fauour, thou wilt not know her. One growes too fat, another too leane &c. all at last out of fashion. Those faire sparkling eyes will looke dull, her corall lippes will be pale & blew, her skinne rugged, that soft superficies will bee hard and harsh, her whole complexion chang in a moment, as ^{*} *Matilda* writ to king *Iohn*,

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^{*} *M. Drayton.*

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*I am not now as when thou sawest me last,
That fauour soone is vanished and past,
That Rosy blush lapt in a Lilly vale,
Now is with morpheu ouer-growne and pale.*

Tis so in the rest, their beauty fades as a tree in winter, which *Deianira* hath elegantly expressed in the Poet,

• Seneca alt. 2.
Merc. Oetent.

*Deforme solis aspicias truncis nemus?
Sic nostra longum forma percurrans iter,
Deperdit aliquid semper, & fulget minus,
Malisq; minus est quicquid in nobis fuit,
Olim peritum cecidit, & partu labat,
Materq; multum rapuit ex illa mihi,
Atas citato senior eripuit gradu.*

And as a tree that in the Greene woods growes,
With fruite & leaues, and in the Summer blowes,
In Winter like a stocke deformed shewes:
Our beauty takes his race, and iourney goes,
And doth decrease, and loose, and come to nought,
Admir'd of old, to this by childbirth brought:
And mother hath bereft me of my grace,
And crooked old age comming on apace.

• Vides venustam mulierem, fulgidum habentem oculum, vultu hilariter comitantem, eximium quendam aspectum & decorem præ se ferentem, uentem mentem tuam & concupiscentiam agentem? cogita terram esse id quod amas, & quod admiraris. Stercus, & quod te urit, &c. cogita illam iam senescere, iam rugosam, cavis genis, agrotantem tantis sordibus, tantus plena est, pituita, stercore: reputa quid intra nares, oculos, cerebrum gestat, quos sordes, &c.

• Subtil. 13.
• Cardan. subtil. lib. 13.

To conclude with *Chrysostome*, & when thou seest a faire and beautifull person, a comely woman, hauing bright eyes, a merrie countenance, a shining lustre in her looke, a pleasant grace, wringing thy soule, and increasing thy concupiscence; be-
thinke with thy selfe that it is but earth thou louest, a meere excrement, which so vexeth thee, which thou so admirest, and thy raging soule will be at rest. Take her skinne from her face, and thou shalt see all loathsomnesse vnder it, that beauty is but a superficiall skinne and bones, nerues, sinewes: suppose her sicke, now riuell'd, hoarie-headed, hollow-checked, old; within shee is full of filthie fleame, stinking, putride, excrement all stufte: snot and sneill in her nostrils, spittle in her mouth, water in her eyes, what filth in her braines, &c. Or take her at best, & looke narrowly vpon her in the light, stand neare her, nearer yet, and thou shalt perceiue almost as much, and loue lesse, as *Cardan* well writes, *minus amant, qui acutè vident*, though *Scaliger* deride him for it. If he see her neare, or looke exactly, whosoever he is, & according to the true rules of symmetrie and proportion, examine him or her: If he be *elegans formarum spectator*, he shall find many faults in Physiognomie, an ill colour, ill forme, one side of the face likely bigger then the other, crooked nose, bad eyes, prominent veines, concavities about the eyes, wrinkles, pimples, red streekes, freckons, haire, warts, neues, inequalities, roughnesse, scabredity, palenesse, yellownes, and as many colours as are in a Turkecocks necke, many indecorums in their other parts, *est quod desideres, est quod amputes*. And 'tis true that he saith, *hèdiligenter consideranti raro facies absoluta, & quæ vitio caret*, seldome shall you find an absolute face without fault, as I haue often obserued; nor in the face alone is this defect or disproportion to be found, but in all the other parts, of body and mind, She is faire indeed, but foolish; pretty, comely and decent, of a majesticall presence, but peradventure imperious, vn honest, selfewill'd: she is rich, hath a sweet face, but bad carriage, no bringing vp, a rude and wan-

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ton flurt, a neat body she hath, but is a nasty queane otherwise, a very flut of a bad kinde. As flowres in a garden haue colour some, but no smell; others haue a fragrant smell, but are vnseemely to the eye; one is vnsauory to the taste as rue, as bitter as wormewood, & yet a most medicinal cordial flowre, most acceptable to the stomacke; so are men and women, one is well qualified, but of ill proportion, poore & base: a good eye she hath, but a bad hand, a fine leg, bad teeth, a vast body, &c. Examine all parts of body & minde, I aduise thee to enquire of all. See her angry, merry, laugh, weepe, hote, cold, sicke, fullen, dressed, vndressed, in all attires, lites, gestures, passions, cate her meales, &c. and in some of these you will surely dislike; and not her onely let him obserue, but her parents, how they carry themselves: for what deformities, defects, incumbrances of body or minde be in them at such an age, they will likely be subiect to, be molested in like manner, they wil *patrizare* or *matrizare*. Now when they shal perceiue any such obliquity, indecency, disproportion, deformity, bad conditions, &c. let them still ruminare on that, & as † *Hedus* aduiseeth out of *Ouid*, *earum mendas notent*, note their faults, vices, errors, & thinke of their imperfections, 'tis the next way to diuert and mitigate Lones furious head-strong passions, as a Peacockes feete, and filthy combe, they say, make her forget her fine feathers, and pride of her tayle. Besides these outward naues or open faults, errors, there be many inward infirmities, secret, and &c. some more private (which I will omit) and some more common to the sexe, in this case fit to be considered. Consideratio fæditatis mulierum, quam immundæ sunt, quod *Savânarola* proponit regulâ septimâ, penitius observanda, & *Platina* dial. *Amoris* fuscè perstringit. *Lodovicius Boncialus* mulieb. lib. 2. cap. 2. *Pet. Hedus*, *Albertus*, & infiniti ferè medici. * A Lover in *Calcagninus* Apologies, wished with all his heart hee were his Mistris Ring, to heare, embrace, see & doe I know not what: O thou foole, quoth the Ring, if thou werst in my roome, thou shouldst heare, obserue, and see *pu-denda* & *pœnitenda*, that which would make thee lothe and hate her, & peradventure all women for her sake.

I will say nothing of the vices of their mindes, their pride, envy, inconstancy, weaknesse, malice, selfewill, lightnesse, insatiable appetite, jealousy. *Eccles* 25. 14. No malice to a womans: no bitternesse like to hers, *Eccles* 7. 21. and as the same Author vrgeth *Prov.* 31. 10. Who shall find a vertuous woman? He makes a questipn of it. † *Neg. ius, neg. bonum, neg. equum sciunt, melius peius, pro sit ob sit, nihil vident nisi quod libido suggerit.* They know neither good nor bad, be it better or worse (as the Comical Poet hath it) beneficiall or hurtfull, they will doe what they list.

* *Insidia humani generis, querimonia vita,
Exuvia noctis, durissima cura diei,
Pena virum, nex & iuvenum, &c.*

when *Leander* was drowned, the Inhabitants of *Sestos* consecrated *Hero's* Lanterne to *Anteros*, *Anteroti sacrum*, † and hee that had good successe in his loue, should light the candle: but neuer any man was found to light it, which I can referre to nought, but the inconstancy & lightnesse of women.

† For in a thousand, good there is not one,
All be so proud, vntankfull and unkind,
With flintie hearts, carelesse of others moane,

† *Lib. de con-
tem. amoribus.
Earum mendas
volvunt animo,
sepe ante oculos
constituant, sepe
damnant.*

* *Quum ama-
tor anulum se
amicæ optaret,
ut eius amplexu
frui posset, &c.
O te miserum,
ait annulus, si
meas vices obi-
res, videres, au-
dires, &c. nihil
non odio dignū
observares.*

* *Lædæus.*

† *Qui se faci-
lem in amore
probavit, hanc
succendit. At
qui succendat,
ad hunc diem
reperitus nemo.
Calcagninus.*

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In their owne lusts carried most headlong blind,
But more heerein to speake I am forbidden,
Sometime for speaking truth one may be chidden.

† Hor.

I am not willing, you see, to prosecute the cause against them, and therefore take heed you mistake me not, † *matronam nullam ego tango*, I honour the sex, with all good men, and as I ought to doe, rather then displease them, J will voluntarily take the oath which *Mercurius Britannicus* tooke, *Viragin. descript. lib. 2. fol. 95. Me nihil unquam mali nobilissimo sexui, vel verbo, vel facto machinaturū, &c.* let *Mantuan*, *Platina*, *Pet. Aretine*, & such women haters, beare the blame, if I haue said amisse, I haue not said an halfe of that which might be vrged out of them & others. And that which J haue said (to speak truth) no more cōcernes thē then men, though women be more frequently named in this Tract; (to Apologize once for all) I am neither partiall against them, or therefore bitter: what is said of the one, *mutato nomine*, may most part be vnderstood of the other. My words are like *Passus* picture in † *Lucian*, of whom, when a good-fellow had bespoke an horse to bee painted with his heeles vpward, tumbling on his backe, he made him passant: now when the fellow came for his picce, he was very angry, and said, it was quite opposite to his mind; but *Passus* instantly turning the Picture vpside downe, shewed him his horse at that site which he requested, & so gaue him satisfaction. If any man take exception at my words, let him alter the name, reade him for her, and t'is all one.

† Encom. De-
mosthen.

But to my purpose: If women in generall be so bad (and men worse then they) what an hazard is it to marry, where shall a man finde a good wife, or a woman a good husband? A woman a man may eschue, but not a wife: wedding is vndoing (some say) marrying, marring: wooing, woing: *a wife is a fever heeticke, as Scaliger calls her, and not to be cured but by death, as out of Menander, n Athenaeus addes,*

in Febris he-
cticæ, & non
nisi morte avel-
lenda.
n Dypnosophist.
lib. 13. cap. 3.

*In pelagus te iacis negotiorum, —
Non Libyū, non Egæū, ubi ex triginta non pereunt
Tria navigia: ducens uxorem servatur prorsus nemo.
Thou wadest into a Sea it selfe of woes,
In Lybicke and Egæan each man knowes,
Of thirty not three ships are cast away,
But on this rocke not one escapes, J say.*

The worldly cares, miseries, discontents, that accompany marriage, J pray you learne of them that haue experience, for I haue none; many married mē exclaime at the miseries of it, and rayle at wiues downe right; I neuer tryed, but as I heare some of them say,

o *Mare haud mare, vos mare acerrimum.*

An Irish Sea is not

so turbulent and raging as a litigious wife,

o *Plautus Aſin.
act. 1.
* Senec. in Her-
cul.*

* *Scylla & Charybdæ Sicula contorquens freta,
Minus est timenda, nulla non melior fera est.*

Which made the Diuell belike, as most interpreters hold, when hee had taken away *Iobs* goods, *corporis & fortuna bona*, health, children, friends, to persecute him the more, leaue his wicked wife, as *Pineda* proues out of *Tertullian*, *Cyprian*, *Austin*, *Chrysostome*, *Prosper*, *Gaudentius*, &c. *ut nouum calamitatis inde genus viro existeret*, to vex and gaule him worse, as knowing the condi-
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tions of a bad woman. Better dwell with a Dragon or a Lion, then keepe house with a wicked wife. Eccles. 25. 18. better dwell in a wilderness. Prov. 21. 19. no wickednesse like to her. Eccles. 25. 22. She makes a sorry heart, an heauy countenance, a wounded minde, weak hands, and feeble knees, vers. 25. And yet for all this we Batchelers desire to be married, with that Vestall virgin, wee long for it, *† Felices nupta, moriar, nisi nuber dulces est.* 'Tis the sweetest thing in the world, I would I had a wife faith he, hahho for an husband cries shee, and happy are they that are so coupled, we doe earnestly seeke it, and are neuer well till wee haue effected it. But with what fate? like those birds in the

† Seneca.

† Embleme, that fedde about a cage, so long as they could flye away at their pleasure, liked well of it; but when they were taken and could not get loose, though they had the same meat, pined away for fullennesse, and would not eat. So we commend marriage, — *donec miselli liberi,*

† Amator Emble. 19.

Aspicimus dominam, sed postquam heu ianua clausa est,

Felintus est quod melius fuit. So long as we are wooers, may kisse

and koll at our pleasure, nothing is so sweet, we are in heauen as wee thinke; but when we are once tied, and haue lost our liberty, marriage is an hell, giue me my yellow hose againe, a mouse in a trappe liues as merily, we are in a purgatory some of vs, if not hell it selfe. *Dulce bellum inexpertis,* as the proverbe is, tis fine talking of warre, and marriage sweet in contemplation, till it bee tried, & then as warres are most dangerous, irksome, euery minute at deaths dore. When those wild Irish Peeres, saith *o Stanihurst*, were feasted by king Henry the second (at what time he kept his Christmas at Dublin) and had tasted of his Princelike cheere, exquisite wines, dainty fare, had seene his P. maiesie plate of siluer, gold, inameled, beset with Iewels, golden candlestickes, goodly rich hangings, braue furniture: heard his Trumpets sound, Fifes, Drummes, and his exquisite musicke in all kindes: When they had obserued his maiestically presence as he sate in purple robes, crowned, with his scepter, &c. in his royall seat, the poore men were so amased, inamored, and taken with the object, that they were *pertasi domestici & pristini tyratarichi*, as weary and ashamed of their owne sordidity and manner of life. They would all be English forthwith, who but English, but when they had now submitted themselves, & lost their former liberty, they began to rebell some of the, others to repent of what they had done, when it was too late. Tis so with vs Batchelours, when we see & behold those gaudy shewes that women make, giue eare to their Siren tunes, see them dance, &c. we are taken with dumbe shewes, and would faine be married. But when we feele the miseries, cares, woes, that accompany it, we make our moane many of vs, cry out at length and cannot be releas'd. If this be true now, as some out of experience will enforme vs, farwell wiuing for my part, and as the Comickall Poet merrily saith,

o De rebus Hibernicis, lib. 3.

P Gemmea porcula, argentea vasa, calata, edelabra aurea, &c. Conchiliata antea, buccinarum clangorem, tibiarum cantum & symphoniam suauitatem, maiestatemque principis coronati cum viderent, sella deaurata, &c.

P *Perdatur ille pessime qui feminam*

Duxit secundus, nam nihil primo imprecor,

Ignarus ut puto mali primus fuit.

† Foule fall him brought the second match to passe,

The first I wish no harme, poore man alas,

He knewe not what he did, nor what it was.

What shall I say to him that marries againe and againe,

* *Stulta maritali qui porrigit ora capistro,*

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I pittie him not, for the

† Eubulus in Crisil. Albenens dyposophist. lib. 13. cap. 3.

† Translated by my brother Rasse Burton.

* Inuerm.

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¶ Gomeſius de
ſale lib.3. cap.7.¶ Batchelers
alwaies are
the braveſt
men, Bacon.
ſeeke eternity
in memory
not in poſte-
rity.¶ Hec in ſpeci-
em diſta caue
ut credas.¶ Qui cupit ux-
orem licem cu-
pit atq; dolorem.

¶ Eccleſ. 28. 1.

¶ Euripides
Andromach.

the firſt time he muſt doe as he may, beare it out ſometimes by the head and ſhoulders, and let his next neighbour ride, or elſe runne away, or as that ¶ Syracuſian in a tempeſt, when all ponderous things were to be exonerated out of the ſhip, *quia maximum pondus erat*, ſling his wife into the Sea. But this I confeſſe is Comically ſpoken,* and ſo I pray you take it. In ſober ſadneſſe, marriage is a bondage, a thraldome, a yoke, an hinderance to all good enterpriſes, a ſtop to all preferments, a rocke on which many are ſaued, many impinge and are caſt away: not that the thing is euill in it ſelfe or troubleſome, but full of all contentment and happineſſe, one of the three things which pleaſe God,* *when a man and his wife agree together*, An honorable & happy eſtate, who knowes it not? If they be ſober, wiſe, honeſt, as the Poet infers

† *Si commodos nanciſcantur amores,**Nullum iſs abeſt voluptatis genus.*

If ſitly match'd be man and wife,

No pleaſures wanting to their life.

But to vndiſcreet ſenſuall perſons, that as brutes are wholly led by ſenſe, it is a ſerall plague, many times an hell it ſelfe, and can giue little or no content, being that they are often ſo irregular and prodigious in their luſts, ſo diuerſe in their affections. *Vxor nomen dignitatis non voluptatis*, as he ſaid; a wife is a name of honour, not of pleaſure, ſhe is fit to beare the office, gouerne a family, to bring vp children, ſit at bords end and carue, as ſome carnall men thinke and ſay; they had rather goe to the ſtewes, or haue now and then a ſnatch as they can come by it, borrow of their neighbours, then haue wiues of their owne. Except they may, as ſome Princes and great men doe, keepe as many Curtiſans as they will themſelues, fly out Impune,

Permolere uxores alienas, or that poligamy of Turks,

or Iriſh diuorcement were in uſe: but as it is, 'tis hard and giues not that ſatisfaction to theſe carnall men, beaſtly men as too many are, † what ſtill the ſame? to be tied to one, be ſhe neuer ſo faire, neuer ſo vertuous, is a thing they may not endure. Say thy pleaſure and counterſeit as thou wilt, as P Parmeno told Thais, *Neg. tu vno eris contenta*, one man will neuer pleaſe thee. Nor one woman many men: But as ¶ Pan replied to his father Mercury, when he asked whether he were married? *Nequaquam pater, amator enim ſum, &c.* No father, no, I am a loue ſtill, and cannot be contented with one woman, Pythias, Eccho, Menades, and I knowe not how many beſides, were his Miſtriſſes, he might not abide marriage. *Varietas delectat*, 'tis loathſome and tedious, one ſtill, as he ſaid of Iberina.

† *Vnus Iberina vir ſufficit? ocyus illud**Extorquebis, ut hac oculo contenta ſit vno.*

'Tis not one man will ſerue her by her will,

As ſoone ſhe'll haue one eye as one man ſtill.

As capable of any impreſſion as *materia prima* it ſelfe, that ſtill deſires new formes, like the Sea their affections ebbe and flowe. Husband is a cloake for ſome to hide their villany; once married ſhe may fly out at her pleaſure, the name of Husband is a ſanctuary to make all good. *Eò ventum* (ſaith Seneca) *ut nulla virum habeat, niſi ut irriter adulterum*. They are right and ſtraight, as true Troians as mine hoſtes daughter, that Spaniſh wench in Arioſto, as good wines as Meſſalina. And many men are as conſtant in their choice, and as good husbands

¶ Elius Verus
imperator. Spar.
vit. ciuſ.† Hor.
¶ Quod licet iſ-
gratum eſt.¶ For better
for worſe, for
richer for
poorer, in
ſickneſſe and
in health, &c.
tis durus ſermo
to a ſenſuall
man.

¶ Ter. act. 1.

Se. 2. Eunuch.

¶ Lucian, Tom.
4. neg. cum vna
aliqua rem ha-
bere contentus
forem.

† Iuuenal.

¶ Lib. 28.

bands as *Nere* himselfe, they must haue their pleasure of all they see. Being that men and women are so irreligious, depraued by nature, so wandering in their affections, so brutish, so subiect to disagreement, so vnobseruant of marriage rites, what shall I say? If thou beest such a one, or thou light on such a wife, what concord can there be, what hope of agreement? As the Reed and Ferne in the Emblemie auerse & opposite in nature, 'tis twenty to one thou wilt not marry to thy contentment.

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Nec integrum vnquam transiges latus diem.

If he or shee be such a one,

Thou hadst much better be alone.

If she be barren, she is not. -- &c. If she haue ^x children, and thy state bee not good, though thou be wary and circumspect, thy charge will vndoe thee,

^x Children make misfortunes more bitter. Bacon.

secunda domum tibi prole grauat, thou wilt not be able to bring them vp, *and what greater misery can there bee, then to beget children, to whom thou canst leaue no other inheritance but hunger and thirst.*

^y Hensius Epist. Primiero nihil miserius quam procreare liberos ad quos nihil ex hereditate tua pervenire videas preter famem & sitim.

To turne them vp to the wide world, to shift for themselves. No plague like to want: and when thou hast good meanes, and art very careful of their education, they will not be ruled. Thinke but of that old proverbe, *ἡ πόλις πάλαι*

^z Liberi sibi carcerinorata.

Heroum filij noxe, great mens sonnes seldome do well, *Optinam aut calebs mansissem aut prole carcerem*, ^x Augustus exclames in Suetonius. Jacob had his Ruben, Simcon and Leui: David an Ammon, an Absalon, Adonias, wisemens sonnes are commonly fooles, in somuch that Spartian concludes, *Neminem*

^y Melius fuerat eos sine liberis discessisse.

propè magnorum virorum optimum & utilem reliquisse filium; ^y They had beene much better to haue beene childlesse. 'Tis too common in the middle

^z Lemnius, cap. 6. l. 6. 1. Si morosa, si non in omnibus obsequia omnia impacata in adibus omnia fursum misceri videas, multa tempestates, &c.

sort; Thy sonne's a drunkard, a gamester, a spendthrift, thy daughter a foole, a

^z Lib. 2. numer. 101. fil. nup. b Iuvénal.

whore, thy seruants lazy drones and theecues, thy neighbours diuells, they will make thee weary of thy life. ^z If thy wife be froward, if she may not haue her

^z Idem. & quis sane mentis finere queat, &c.

will, thou hadst better to be buried alive, she will bee so impatient, nothing but

^c Subegit ancillas quod uxoris eius deformior esset.

tempests, all is in an uproare. If she be soft or foolish, thou hadst better haue a

^c Sil. nup. lib. 2. num. 55. Diues inducit tempestatem, pauper curam: Diues viduam se inuadit in laqueum.

blocke, shee will shame thee, and reveale thy secrets: if wise, and learned, well qualified, there is as much danger on the other side, *mulierem doctam ducere*

^c Idem. & quis sane mentis finere queat, &c.

periculosissimum, saith *Nevisanus*, she will be too insolent and peeuish,

^c Idem. & quis sane mentis finere queat, &c.

Malo Venusinam quam te Cornelia mater. Take heed, if she be a slut, thou wilt loath her; if prowd shee'll begger thee, ^x shee'll spend thy pa-

^c Idem. & quis sane mentis finere queat, &c.

trimony in bables, all Arabia will not serue to perfume her haire, saith *Lucian*: If faire and wanton, shee'll make thee a *Corauto*; if deformed, she will paint. [†] If

^c Idem. & quis sane mentis finere queat, &c.

her face be filthy by nature, she will mend it by art, alienis & adscititijs impostu- ris, which who can endure? If she doe not paint, she will looke so filthily, thou

^c Idem. & quis sane mentis finere queat, &c.

canst not loue her, that will peradventure make thee vn honest. *Cromerus lib. 12. hist.*, relates of *Casimirus*, ^c that hee was vnchast, because his wife *Adleida*

^c Idem. & quis sane mentis finere queat, &c.

the daughter of *Henry*, *Lansgrau* of *Hassia*, was so deformed. If shee bee poore, shee brings beggery with her saith *Nevisanus*, & discontent. If you marry a maide, it is vncertaine how she proues,

^c Idem. & quis sane mentis finere queat, &c.

Hac forsā veniet non satis apta tibi. if a rich ^d widow,

^c Idem. & quis sane mentis finere queat, &c.

induces te in laqueum, thou dost halter thy selfe, shee will make all away be- fore-hand, to her other children, &c. --- *dominam quis possit ferre tonantem?*

^c Idem. & quis sane mentis finere queat, &c.

she will hit thee still in the teeth with her first husband. If shee be rich, well descended, bring a great dowre, or be nobly allied, thy wiues friends will eat

^c Idem. & quis sane mentis finere queat, &c.

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thee out of house and home, she will be so proud, so high minded, so imperious: *(nihil est magis intolerabile Dite)*

Si dotata erit, imperiosa, continuo, vivo inquitare conabitur. Petrarch. b. 4. If a woman nourish her husband, shee is angry and impudent and full of reproch Eccles. 25. 24. Scilicet vxiri nubere nolo mee

thou shalt be as the Tassell of a gosse-hauke, *she will ride vpon thee, domineere as she list, weare the breeches, and begger thee besides. Vxores diuites, seruitutem exigunt, as Seneca hits them (declam. lib. 2. declam. 6) Dotem accepi, imperium perdidit.* They will haue soueraigny, they will haue attendance, they will doe what they list. *f* In taking a dowre thou loosest thy liberty, hazardest thine estate. *Ha sunt atq. alia multa in magnis dotibus Incommoditates, sumptusq. intolerabiles, &c.*

with many such inconveniences, take her at best, shee is a commanding seruant, thou hadst better haue taken a good huswifely maide in her smocke. Since then there is such hazard, if thou be wise, keep thy selfe as thou art, 'tis good to match, much better to be free,

† Plautus mil. glor. act. 3. sc. 1.

† procreare liberos lepidissimum; Hercle verò liberum esse, id multò est lepidius, art thou yong, then match not yet; if old, match not at all, Vis inuenis nubere? nondum venit tempus, Ingravescente atate iam tempus præterijt.

and withall consider how free, how happy, how secure, how heavenly, in respect, a single man is, how merrily he liues, he hath no man to care for but himselfe, none to please, no charge, none to controule him, is tied to no residence, no cure to serue, may goe and come, when, whither, liue where hee will, his owne master, and doe what he will himselfe. Consider of the excellency of Virgins, *virgo cælum meruit*, virginity is a precious Iewell, a faire garland, a neuer-fading flowre, *h* for why was *Daphne* turned to a greene Bay tree, but to shew that virginity is immortall? a fine picture, as *Bonaventure* calls it, a blessed thing in it selfe, & if you wil beleue a Papist, meritorious. Consider last of all these commodious prerogatiues a Bachelor hath, how well he is esteemed, how hartily welcome to all his friends, *quàm mentis obsequiis*, as *Tertullian* obserues, with what counterfeite curtesies they will adore him, follow him, present him with gifts. *It cannot be beleued (saith o Ammianus) with what humble seruice he shall be worshipped, how loued and respected: If he want children (and haue meanes) he shall be often inuited, attended on by Princes, and haue aduocates to plead his cause for nothing, as P Plutarch ads. wilt thou then be reuerenced, and had in estimation?*

h Daphne in laurum semper uiuentem, immortalem docet gloriam paratam virginibus pudicitiam seruantes.

i Diet. salut. cap. 22. pulcherrimū serium infiniti precij gemma, et pictura speciosa.

Lib. 24. Quia obsequiorum diuersitate colantur homines sine liberis.

† Annal. 11. 96 de bene. fic. cap. 38.

dominus tamen & domini rex Si tu vis fieri, nullus tibi paruulus aulā Luferit Aeneas, nec filia dulciōr illā? Incundum & charum sterilis facit uxor amicū.

Liue a single man, marry not, and thou shalt soone perceauē how those *Harredipates* for so they were called of old will seeke after thee, bribe and flatter thee for thy fauor, to be thine heire or executor: *Aruntius* and *Aterius*, those famous parasites in this kinde, as *Tacitus* and *Seneca* haue recorded, shall not goe beyond them. *Periplectomenes* that good personat old man, *delitium senis*, well vnderstood this in *Plautus*, for when *Pleusides* exhorted him to marry that hee might haue children of his owne, he readily replied in this sort,

Quando habeo multos cognatos, quid opus mihi sit liberis? Nunc bene uiuo & fortunatè, atq. animo ut lubet.

Mea

Mea bona meâ morte cognatis dicam interpartiant.

Illi apud me edunt, me curant, visunt, quàm agam, ecquid velim,

Qui mihi mittunt, munerâ ad prandium ad cenam vocant,

Certatim dona mittunt. Ego mecum musito, &c.

Whilst I haue kinne, what need I brats to haue?

Now I liue well, and as I will, most braue.

And when I dye my goods Ile giue away,

To them that doe invite me euery day,

That visite me, and send me pretty toyes,

And strue who shall doe me most curtesies.

This respect thou shalt haue in like manner liuing as hee did, a single man, but if thou marry once, besides a Myrriade of cares and troubles, all gifts & inuitations cease, no frend wil esteeme thee. If this which I haue said wil not suffice, see more in *Lemnius lib. 4. cap. 13. de occult. nat. mir. Esphenus de continentia, lib. 6. cap. 8. Kornman de uirginitate, Platina in Amor. dial. Practica artis amandi, Barbarus de re uxoria. Arniseus in polit. cap. 3. and hee that is in-
star omnium, Nevisanus the Lawyer, Sylua nuptial. almost in euery page.* him

SUBSECT. 4.

Philters, Magicall and Poëticall cures.

WHere perswasions and other remedies will not take place, many fly to vnlawfull meanes, Philters, Amulets, Magicke spells, Ligatures, Characters, Charmes, which as a wound with the speare of Achilles, if so made and caused, must so be cured. If made by Spells and Philters, saith *Paracelsus*, it must be so eased by Characters, *Mag. lib. 2. cap. 28.* and by Incantations, *Fernelius Path. lib. 6. cap. 13. Skenius lib. 4. obseruat. Med.* hath some examples of such as haue beene so magically caused, and magically cured, and by witchcraft, so saith *Baptist. Codronchus, lib. 3. cap. 6. de mor. ven. Malleus mallef. cap. 6.* 'Tis not permitted to be done, I confesse, yet often attempted: see more in *Wierus lib. 3. cap. 18. de prestig. de remedijs per Philtra. Delrio Tom. 2. lib. 3. quest. 3. sect. 3. disquisit. magic. Cardan. lib. 16. c. 90.* reckons vp many magneticall medicines, as to pisse through a ring, &c. *Mixaldus, cent. 3. 30. Baptista Porta, Iason Pratensis, Lobelius pag. 87. Matthiolus, &c.* prescribe many absurd remedies. *Radix mandragoræ ebibitæ, Annuli ex ungulis asini, Stercus amatæ sub ceruical positû, illâ nesciente &c. quum odorē foederratis sentit, amor soluitur. Nocturæ ouum abstemios facit comestum, ex consilio Iarthe indorum gymnosophistæ apud Philostratum lib. 3. Sanguis amariæ ebibitus omnem amoris sensum tollit, Faustina, Marci Aurelij uxorem, gladiatoris amore captam, ita penitus consilio Chaldaeorum liberatam, refert Iulius Capitolinus.* Our old Poets and phantasticall writers haue many fabulous remedies for such as are loue sicke, as that of *Protisilaus* tombe in *Philostratus*, in that Dialogue betwixt *Phenix* and *Vinitor*: *Vinitor* vpon occasion discoursing of the rare vertues of that shrine, telleth him that *Protisilaus* altar and tombe, ¹cures almost all manner of diseases, consumptions, dropsies, quartan aques, sore eyes, and amongst the rest, such as are loue-sicke, shall there be helped. But the most famous is ^m*Leucata Petra*, that renowned rock in Greece,

¹ Extinguitur virilitas ex incantamentorum mal. fictu, neq. enim fabula est, nonnulli reperti sunt qui ex veneficiis amore privati sunt, v. ex multis historiis patet.

¹ Curat omnes morbos, Pityes hydropes & oculorum morbos & febre quartana laborantes, & amore captos, miris artibus eos demulcet.

^m The morall is, vehement Feare expells Loue.

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of which *Strabo* writes, *Geog. lib. 10.* not farre from *St. Maures*, saith *Sands lib. 1.* From which rocke if any Louer flung himselfe downe headlong, hee was instantly cured. *Venus* after the death of *Adonis*, when she could take no rest for loue, † *Cum vesana suus torreret flamma medullas*, came to the Temple of *Apollo* to know what she should doe to be eased of her paine: *Apollo* sent her to *Leucata Petra*, where she precipitated her selfe, and was forthwith freed, and when she would needs know of him a reason of it, he told her againe, that he had often obserued † *Iupiter* when he was enamored on *Iuno*, thither goe to ease and wash himselfe, and after him diuers others. *Cephalus* for the loue of *Protela*, *Degonetus* daughter leapt downe heere, that *Lesbian* *Sappho* for *Phaon*, on whom she miserably doted.

† *Caenilius*.

† *Quum Juno-
nem deperiret
Iupiter impo-
ceter, ibi solium
lauari, &c.*

† *Menander*.• *Ouid. ep. 21.*

† *Cupidinis astro percita è summo praeceptis ruit.*
hoping thus to ease her selfe, and to be freed of her loue pangs.

*Hic se Deucalion Pyrrha succensus amore
Merfit, & illa so corpore pressit aquas,
Nec mora, fugit amor, &c*

Hither *Deucalion* came, when *Pyrrha's* loue
Tormented him, & leapt down to the Sea,
And had no harme at all, but by and by
His loue was gone, and chased quite away.

† *Apud anti-
quos amor Le-
thes olim fuit, is
ardentes facies in
profuentem in-
clinabat, huius
statua Veneris
Elusinae templo
visitatur, quo
amantes consu-
ebant, qui amice
memoriam de-
ponere volebant.*

† *Lib. 10. Vota
ei nuncupant a-
matores, multis
de causis, sed im-
primis viduis mu-
lieres, ut sibi al-
ternis à deâ nup-
tias exposcant.*
† *Seneca.*
† *Rhodiginus
ant. lect. lib. 16.
cap. 25. calsit
Selenus, Omnis
amore liberat.*
† *Cupido cruci-
fixus, lepidum
poema.*

This medicine *Ios. Scaliger* speaks of, *Ausoniarum lectionum lib. 18. Salmat x. in Pancirol. de 7. mundi mirac. & other writers.* *Pliny* reports, that amongst the *Cyzeni*, there is a Well consecrated to *Cupid*, of which if any Louer tast, his passion is mitigated: And *Anthony Verdurius Imag. deorum, de Cupid.* saith, that amongst the Ancients there was † *Amor Lethes*, hee tooke burning torches, and extinguished them in the riuer, his statua was to be seene in the Temple of *Venus Elusina*, of which *Ouid* makes mention, and saith, that all Louers of old went thither on pilgrimage, that would bee rid of their loue pangs. *Pausanias* in † *Phocicis*, speaks of a Temple dedicated *Veneri* in speluncâ, to *Venus* in the vault, at *Naupactus* in *Achaia* (now *Lepanto*) in which all widows that would haue second husbands, made their supplications to the goddesse, & all manner of suites concerning Louers were commenced, & their grieuances helped. The same Author in *Achaicis*, tells as much of the riuer *Sennelus* in *Greece*, if any Louer washed himselfe in it, by a secret vertue of that water, he was healed of Loues torments,

† *Amoris vulnus idem qui sanat facit.* which if it be
so, that water as he holds is *omni auro preciosior*, better then any gold. Where none of all these remedies will take place, I know no other, but that all Louers must make an head, & rebell, as they did in † *Ausonius*, and crucifie *Cupid* till he grant their request, or satisfie their desires.

SVBSEC. 5.

The last and best cure of Loue Melancholy, is, To let
them haue their Desire.

THE last refuge and surest remedie, to bee put in practise in the vtmost place, when no other meanes will take effect, is to let them goe together, and enioy one another; *potissima cura est ut heros amantia sua potiatur,*

atur, saith *Guianerius* cap. 15. tract. 15. *Æsculapius* himselfe to this malady, cannot invent a better remedy, *quam ut amanti cedat amatum*, † (*Iason* *Pra-*

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† Cap. 19 de morb. cerebri.

Et pariter torulo vini iungantur in uno,

Et pulchro detur Æneæ, Lauinia coniux.

And let them both be joynd in a bed,

And let *Æneas* faire *Lauinia* wed.

It is the speciall cure, and if it be possible, so let it be. *Arculanus* holdes it the speediest and the best cure, it is *Savonarola's* last precept, a principall infallible remedy, the last, sole and safest refuge.

Iulia sola potes nostras extinguere flammæ,

Non nive, non glacie, sed potes igne pari.

Iulian alone can quench my desire

With neither ice nor snow, but with like fire.

When you haue all done, saith *Avicenna*, there is no speedier or safer course, then to ioyne the parties together according to their desires and wishes, the custome and forme of loue, and so wee haue seene him quickly restored to his former health, that was languished away to skinne and bones, after his desire was satisfied, his discontent ceased, and we thought it strange, our opinion is therefore, that in such cases Nature is to be obeyed. *Arctem* an old Author, lib. 3. cap. 3. hath an instance of a young man, when no other meanes could preuaile, was so speedily relieved. What remaines then but to ioyne them in marriage?

Yea but *hic labor, hoc opus*, this cannot conveniently be done, by reason of many and senerall impediments. Sometimes both parties themselues are not agreed, Parents, Tutors, Masters, Guardians, wil not giue consent; Lawes, Customes, Statutes hinder: pouerty, superstition, feare and suspicion: many men dote on one woman, *semel & simul*, she dotes as much on him, or the, and in modesty must nor, cannot, dare not make it knowne, shew her affection, or speake her mind. And hard is the choise (as it is in *Euphuus*) when one is compelled either by silence to dye with griefe, or by speaking to liue with shame. In this case almost was that faire Lady *Elizabeth*, *Edward* the 4th his daughter, when she was enamored on *Henry* the 7th, that noble young Prince, and new saluted King, when shee brake forth into that passionate speech, *O that I were worthy of that comely Prince, but my father being dead, I want friendes to motion such a matter. What shall I say? I am all alone, and dare not open my mind to any. What if I acquaint my mother with it? bashfulnesse forbids. What if some of the Lords? audacity wants: O that I might but conferre with him, perhaps in discourse I might let slip such a word that might discover mine intention.* How many modest maids may this cōcerne, I am a poore seruant, what shall I doe? I am a fatherlesse child, & want meanes; faine they would & cannot wooe, make sute, with many such lets and inconveniences, which I know not, what shall we doe in such a case? Some are so curious in this behalfe, as those old *Romanes*, our moderne *Venetians*, *Dutch* and *French*, that if two parties dearely loue, the one noble, the other ignoble, they may not by their Lawes match, though equall otherwise in yeares, fortunes, education, and all good affection. In *Germany* except they can proue their gentility by their descents, they scorne to match with them. A noble man must marry a noble woman, a Baron, a Barons daughter; a Knight, a Knights, a Gentle-

† *Patiens potitur re amata, si fieri possit, optima cura.* cap. 16. in 9. *Rhasis*.
† *Si nihil aliud, nuptie & copulatio cum ea.*
† *Petronius* *Catal.*

† *Cap. de illis.*
Non inuenitur cura, nisi regimen coniunctionis inter eos, secundum modum promissionis, & legis, & sic videmus ad carnem restitutum, qui iam venerat ad arefactionem, evanuit cura postquam sensit, &c.

† *Fama est melancholicum quendam ex amore insanabiliter se habentem, ubi puella se coniunxisset, restitutum &c.*
† *Speeds* hist. de *M. S. Ber. Andrea*.

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man, a Gentlemans, as flatters fort their flattes, doe they degrees & families. If she be neuer so rich, faire, well qualified otherwise, they wil make him forsake her. The *Spaniards* abhorre all widowes, The *Turkes* repute them old women, if past fīue and twenty. But these are too seuerer Lawes, & strict Customes, *dandum aliquid amori*, we are all the sonnes of *Adam*, 'tis opposit to Nature, it ought not to be so. Againe, he loues her most impotently, she loues not him, & so *è contra*. *Cupid* hath two darts, one to force loue, all of gold, & that sharpe, — *quod facit auratum est*: another blunt, of Leade, & that to hinder, — *fugat hoc, facit illud amorem*. This wee see

Ouid. Met. 1.

Pausanias

Achaic lib. 7.

Perdite amabat

Challirboen vir-

ginem, & quan-

to erat Corefi a-

mor uehementi-

or, tanto erat

puelle animas

ab eius amore

alienior.

Erasmus Egl.

Galatea.

too often verified in our common experience. *Choresus* dearly loued that Virgin *Callyrboe*, but the more he loued her, the more she hated him. *Oenone* loued *Paris*, but he reiected her, they are stiffe of all sides, as if Beauty were therefore created to vndoe, or be vndone. I giue her all attendance, all obseruance (as he cōplaines in the *Eglogue*) I lament & sigh, & make my moane to her, but she is hard as flint — *cantibus ismarijs immotior* — she will not respect, *Despectus tibi sum*, or heare me, — *fugit illa vocantem*.
Nil lachrymas miserata meas, nil flexa querelis.

What shall I doe? I wooed her as a yong man should doe,
But Sir she said, I loue not you.

I send presents, but they are refused.

d Virg.

Lucbeus.

Rusticus est Coridon, nec munera curat Alexis.
I protest, I sweare, I weepe, — *odiog, rependit amores,*
Irrisus lachrymas — shee neglects me for all this, shee floutes me, shee hates mee. And 'tis most true, many Gentlewomen are so nice, they scorne all suiters, crucifie their poore Paramours, & thinke no body good enough for them, as dainty to please as *Daphne* her selfe,

† Ouid. Met. 1.

Multi illam petiere, illa aspernata petentes,
Nec quid Hymen, quid amor, quid sint connubia curat,
Many did wooe her, but she scorn'd them still,
And said she would not marry by her will.

One while they will not marry, as they say at least (when as they intend nothing lesse) another while not yet, when 'tis their only desire, they raue vpō it. She will marry at last, but not him: he is a proper man indeed, & well qualified, but he wants meanes: another of her suiters hath good meanes, but he wants wit; one is too old, another too yong, too deformed, they like not his carriage: a third too loosely giuen, he is rich, but base borne. shee will be a Gentlewoman, a Lady, as her sister is, as her mother is, shee is all out as faire, as well brought vp, hath as good a portiō, & shee looks for as good a match as *Matilda* or *Dorinda*; if not, she is resolu'd as yet to tarry. In the meane time, *quot torfit amantes*, one suiter pines away, languisheth in loue, *mori quot deniq, cogit*: another sighes and grieues, she cares not: and which * *Stroza* obiected to *Ariadne*,

* Erat. lib. 2.

Nec magis Euriali gemitu, lacrymisq, moueris,
Quam prece turbati flectitur ora sali.
Tu iuuenem, quo non formosior alter in urbe,
Spernis, & insano cogis amore mori.

Is no more mou'd with those sad sighes and teares,
Of her sweet-heart, then raging Sea with prayers:

Thou

Thou scorn'st the fairest youth in all our City,
And mak'st him almost mad for loue to dye.

They take a pride to pranke vp themselves, to make yong men enamored, to dote on them, & to runne mad for their sakes,

—† *sed nullis ille mouetur*

Fletibus, aut voces nullas tractabilis audit.

† *Virg. 4. Ene.*

whilest niggardly their fauours they discover,

They loue to be belou'd, yet scorne the Louer.

All sute & seruice is too little for them, presents too base: As *Atalanta* they must be ouer-runne, or not wonne. Many young men are as obstinate, and as curious in their choice, as tyrannically proud, insulting, deceitfull, false-hearted, as irrefragable & peeuish on the other side, *Narcissus* like,

* *Multi illum iuuenes, multa petiere puella,*

Sed fuit in tenera tam dira superbia forma,

* *Metamorph. 3.*

Nulli illum iuuenes, nulla petiere puella.

Young men and maides did to him sue,

But in his youth so proud; so coy was hee;

Young men and maides bade him adue.

Eccho wept & wooed him by all meanes aboue the rest, but he was obstinate,

Ante ait emoriar quam sit tibi copia nostri,

He would rather dye then giue consent. So many Louers doe hold out so long doting on themselves, stand in their own light, till in the end they come to be scorned and reiected, as *Siroza's Gargiliana* was,

Te iuuenes, te odere senes, desertaq; langues,

Que fueras procerum publica cura prius.

Both yong & old do hate thee scorned now,

That once was all their ioy and comfort too.

as *Narcissus* was himselfe,

—† *who despising many*

Dyed ere he could enioy the loue of any.

and to bee con-

temned themselves of others, as he was of his shadow. Yet this is a common humor, and will not be left, and cannot be helped.

† *Hanc volo qua non vult, illam qua vult ego nolo,*

† *Ausonius.*

Vincere vult animos, non satiare Venus.

I loue a maid, she loues me not: full faine

She would haue me, but I not her againe;

So Loue to crucify mens soules is bent,

But feldome doth it please or giue content.

Their loue danceth in a ring, and *Cupid* hunts them round about, he dotes, is doted on againe. *Dumq; petit petitur pariterq; accendit & ardet,* and their loue cannot be reconciled: oftentimes too they may and will not, 'tis their owne foolish proceeding that marres all, they omit oportunities, *oscula qui sumpsit, &c.* they neglect the vsuall meanes and times.

He that will not when he may,

when he will he shall haue nay.

they looke to be wooed &

sought after, and sued too. But most part they will, and cannot, either for the aboue-named reasons, or for that there is a multitude of suiters equally enamored, doting all alike, and where one alone must speed, what shall become of the rest? *Hero* was beloued of many, but one did enioy her, *Penelope* had a

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company of suters, yet all missed of their sute. In such cases he or they must wisely & warily vnwinde themselves, vnsettle his affections by those rules above prescribed, diuert his cogitations, or els brauely beare it out, as *TURNUS* did, *Tua sit Lavinia coniux*, when he could not get her, with a kind of Heroicall scorne he bid *Aeneas* take her, or with a milder farewell, let her goe,

---*Et Phillida solus habeto*, take her to you, God giue you ioy Sir.

Many such inconveniences, lets and hinderances there are, which crosse their proiects, & crucify poore Louers, which sometimes may, sometimes againe cannot bee so easily remoued. but put case they bee reconciled all, helped hitherto, suppose this loue or good liking be betwixt two alone, and both parties were pleased, *mutuus amor*, mutuall loue and great affection, their parents, gardians, tutors, cannot agree, all is dashed, the match is vnequall; one rich, another poore, *durus pater*, an hard-hearted, vnnaturall, a couetous father will not marry his sonne, except he haue so much mony, nor ioine his daughter in marriage, to saue her dowry, or for that hee cannot spare them for their seruice they doe him, or that he wants meanes to set her out, he hath no mony, she must and shall tarry. Many slacke and carelesse Parents, measure their childrens affections by their owne; they are now cold & decrepit themselves, past all such youthfull conceits, and they will therefore

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starue their childrens *Genius*, *Illico nasci senes*, they must not marry; *nec earū participes esserent quas secum fert adolescentia*: as he said in the Comcedy, they will stifle nature, their yong bloods must not participat of youthful pleasures, but be as they are themselves, old vpon a suddē. And 'tis a general fault amongst most parents in bestowing of their childrē, the father wholly respects wealth, when through his own folly, riot, indiscretiō, he hath embeazled his estate, to recouer himselfe, he confines and prostitutes his eldest sonnes loue and affection to some deformed peece for mony, if he looke or hope to inherit his lands, he shall marry, not when or whom hee loues, but whom his father commands, when and where hee likes, his affection must dance attendance. Now the mother respects good kindred, most part the sonne a proper woman. As ² *Liuy* relates *dec. 1. lib. 4.* a Gentleman & a Yeoman woo'd a wench in *Rome* (contrary to that statute that the gentry and commonalty must not match together) the matter was controuerted. The Gentleman was preferred by the mothers voice, *que quam splendidissimis nuptijs iungi puellam volebat*: the ouerseers stood for him that was most worth, &c. But parents ought not to be so strict in this behalfe, Beauty is a dowry of it selfe allsufficient, ^a *Rabell* was so married by *Jacob*, and *Bonaventure* in *4. sent.* denies that he so much as venially sinnes, that marries a maid for comeliness of person. The *Iewes*, *Deut. 21. 11.* if they saw amongst the captiues a beautiful woman, some small circumstances obserued, might take her to wife. They should not be too seuerē in that kinde, especially if there bee no such vrgent occasion, or grieuous impediment. 'Tis good for a commonwealth [†] *Plato* holds, that in their contracts young men should neither auoid the affinity of poore folkes, or seeke after rich. Pouerty and base parentage may be sufficiently recompenced by many other good qualities, modesty, vertue, religion, & good bringing vp, ^{*} *I am poore*, I confesse, but am I therefore contemptible, and an abiect? Loue it selfe is naked, the Graces, the Starrēs, and *Hercules* clad in a *Lions skinne*. Giue something to vertue, loue, wisdom, fauour, beauty, person

² *Plebeius & nobilis ambiebant puellam* puella certamē in partes venit. &c.

^a *Gen. 28.*

^b *Non peccat venialiter qui mulierem ducit ob pulchritudinem.*

[†] *Lib. 6. de leg. Ex usu reipub. est ut in nuptiis iuvenes neq. pauperum affinitatem fugiant, neq. diuitum seclentur.*

^{*} *Philosr. epist. quoniam pauper sum idcirco contemptior & abiectioni tibi videtur. Amor ipse nudus est, gratie et astra, Hercules pelle leonina indutus.*

son, be not all for mony. Besides you must consider that *Amor cogi non potest* 455
 Loue cannot be compelled, they must affect as they may: *Fatum est in parti-*
bus illis Quas sinus abscondit, as the saying is, marriage and hanging goes by
 destiny, matches are made in heauen.

*It lies not in our power to loue or hate,
 For will in vs is overrul'd by fate.*

A seruant maid in *† Aristanetus* loued her mistris Minion, which when her
 Dame perceaued, *furiosa emulatione*, in a iealous humour shee dragged her
 about the house by the haire of the head, and vexed her sore. The wench cri-
 ed out, * *O mistris, fortune hath made my body your seruant, but not my soule.*
 Affections are free, not to be commanded. Moreouer it may be to restraine
 their ambition, pride, and couetousnesse, to correct those hereditary diseases
 of a family, God in his iust iudgement assigns and permits such matches to
 be made. For I am of *Plato* and *† Bodines* minde, that Families haue their
 bounds and periods as well as kingdomes, beyond which for extent or conti-
 nuance they shall not exceede six or seuen hundred yeares, as they there illu-
 strate by many examples, and which *Peucer* and *† Melancthon* approue; but
 in a perpetuall tenor (as we see by many pedegrees of Knights, Gentlemen,
 Yeomen) continue as they began, for many descents with little alteration.
 Howsoeuer let them, I say, giue something to youth, to loue, they must not
 thinke that they can fancy whom they appoint. * *Amor enim non imperatur,*
affectus liber si quis alius & vires exigens, this is a free passion, as *Pliny* said in
 a Panegyricke of his, and may not be forced, it requires mutuall loue, a cor-
 respondency. And consider withall the miseries of enforced marriages, take
 pittie vpon youth; and such about the rest as haue *†* daughters to bestowe,
 must be very carefull and prouident to marry them in due time, *Virgines e-*
nim tempestiue locande, as *Lemnius* admonisheth, *lib. 1. cap. 6.* Virgins must be
 provided for in season, to prevent many diseases, and other inconueniences,
 and for a thing that I knowe besides, they perchance will marry themselues
 else, or doe worse. If *Neuisannus* the Lawyer doe not impose, they may doe
 it by right; for as he proues out of *Curtius*, and some other Civilians, *Sylua*
nup. lib. 2. numer. 30. & A maid past 25 yeares of age, against her parents consent
 may marry such a one as is unworthy of her, and inferiour to her, & her father
 by law must be compelled to giue her a competent dowry. For if they tarry lon-
 ger they are past date, and no body will respect them. A woman with vs in
 Italy (saith *† Aretines* *Lucretia*) 24 yeares of age, is old already, past the best, of
 no account. A Virgin, as the Poet holds, is like a flowre, a Rose withered on a
 sudden. *† Quam modo nascentem rutilus conspexit Eous,*
Hanc rediens sero vespere vidit anum.

She that was erst a maid as fresh as May,

Is now an old Crone, time so steales away.

Let them take time then while they may, make aduantage of youth, and as
 he prescribes, *Collige virgo rosas dum flos novus & noua pubes,*

Et memor esto anum sic properare tuum.

Faire maid goe gather Roses in thy prime,

And thinke that as a flowre so goes on time.

Let's all loue, *dum vires annig. sinuat*, whiles wee are in the flowre of yeares,
 fit for loue matters, and while time serués. For

† Lib. 2. epist. 7.

* *Euclans in-*
quit, non men-
tem vna addix-
it mihi fortuna
seruituti.

† De repub. cap.
de period. rerum
sub. 3.

† Com. in Car.
Chron.

* *Plin. in paneg.*

* *Puella inpro-*
mis nulla dan-
da occasio lap-
sus, Lemn. lib. 6.
54. de vit. instit.

* *Filia excedens*
annum 25. po-
test incipio patre
nubere, licet in-
dignus sit mari-
tus, & eum ce-
gere ad congrue
dotandum.

† Mulier apud
nos 24 annorum
vetula est &
proiectitia.

† Ausonius
edyl. 14.

Idem.

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P. Catullus.

¶ Translated
by M. B. John-
son.

¶ Soles occidere & redire possunt,
Nobis cum semel occidit brevis lux,
Nox est perpetua una dormienda.
¶ Sunnes that set may rise againe,
But if once we loose this light,
'Tis with vs perpetuall night.

Volat irreuocabile tempus, time past cannot be recal'd. But wee need no such exhortation, we are all commonly too forward, yet if there be an escape, and all be not as it should, as *Diogenes* stroke the father when the sonne swore, because he taught him no better: if a maid or young man miscarry, I thinke their parents oftentimes, Guardians, Overseers, Gouvernours, are in as much fault, and ought as seuerely to be punished as their children, in prouiding for them no sooner.

Now for those that haue free liberty to bestow themselues; I could wish that good counsell of the Comick old man were put in practise,

P. Plautus.

* *Opulentiores pauperiorum ut filias
Indotatas ducant uxores domum.
Et multo fiet ciuitas concordior,
Et inuidia nos minore utemur, quam utimur.*

That rich men would marry poore maidens some,
And that without dowry, and so bring them home.
So would much concord be in our city,
Lesse envy should we haue, much more pittie.

If they would care lesse for wealth, we should haue much more content and quietnesse in a commonwealth. Beauty, good bringing vp, mee thinkes, is a sufficient portion of it selfe, and he doth well that will accept of such a wife. *Eubulides* in P. *Aristanetus* married a poore mans child, in pittie of her estate, and that quickly. *Acontius* comming to *Delos*, to sacrifice to *Diana*, fell in loue with *Cydicpe* a noble lasse, and wanting meanes to get her loue, flung a golden apple into her lap, with this inscription vpon it,

¶ *Epist. 12. lib. 2.*
*Elegit coniugem
pauperem, indotatam, & subito
deamauit, ex
commiseratione
eius inopie.*

*Inro tibi sane per mystica sacra Diana,
Me tibi venturum comitem, sponsumq; futurum.*

I sweare by all the rites of *Diana*,
Ile' come and be thy husband if I may.

Shee considered of it, and vpon some small enquiry of his person and estate, was married vnto him. Blessed is the wooing,

That is not long a doing,

As the saying is, when the parties are sufficiently known to each other, what needs such scrupulosity, so many circumstances? dost thou knowe her conditions, her bringing vp, like her person, let her meanes be what they wil, take her without any more adoe. ¶ *Dido* and *Aeneas* were accidentally driuen by a storme both into one caue, they made a match vpon it; if thou louest the party, doe as much. good education and beauty is a competent dowry, stand not vpon mony. *Leontius* a Philosopher of *Athens*, had a faire daughter called *Athenais*, multo corporis lepore ac Venere, (saith mine author) of a comely carriage, he gaue her no portion, but her bringing vp, occulto forma prasagio, out of some secret fore-knowledge of her fortune, bestowing that little which he had amongst his other children. But she thus qualified, was preferred

¶ *Virg. En.*
¶ *Lipsius polit.*
Sebast. Mayer.
Select. Sect. 1.
cap. 13.

ferred by some friends to *Constantinople* to serue *Pulcheria* the Emperours sister, of whom she was baptized and called *Eudocia*. *Theodosius* the Emperour in short space tooke notice of her excellent beauty and good parts, and a little after, vpon his sisters sole commendation made her his wife: 'Twas nobly done of *Theodosius*. ¹ *Rodophe* was the fayrest Lady in her dayes in all *Egypt*, she went to wash her, and by chance (her maids meane while looking but carelessly to her cloathes) an Eagle stole away one of her shooes, and laid it in *Psammetichus* the king of *Egypt*s lap at *Memphis*. He wondred at the excellency of the shooe and pretty foot, but more *Aquila factum*, at the manner of the bringing of it: & caused forthwith proclamation to be made, that she that owned that shooe should come presently to his Court, shee came and was forthwith married to the king. I say this was heroically done, and like a Prince: I commend him for it, and all such as haue meanes, that will either doe as hee did themselfes, or so for loue, &c. marry their children. If he be rich, let him take such a one as wants, if shee haue fortunes of her owne, let her make a man. I but in this yron age of ours wee respect riches alone, couetousnesse and filthy lucre marres all good matches, so loue is banished, and we feelee the smart of it in the end. But I am too lauish per-adventure in this subiect.

¹ *Mayerus* Select. sect. 1. c. 14.
 & *Alian.* l. 13. cap. 33. Cum famule lauantis vestes incuriosius custodirent, &c. Mandauit per vniuersum Aegyptum ut femina quere-retur, cuius is calceus esset, e-amq. sic inuentam in matrimonium accepit.

Another let or hinderance is strict and seuer discipline, lawes & rigorous customes that forbid men to marry at some set times, and in some places: As Prentises, Seruants, Collegiats, states of liues in cōpny holds, or in some base inferiour offices, ¹ *Velle licet* in such cases, *potiri non licet*, as he said. They see but as prisoners through a grate, they may conet and catch, but as *Tantalus à labris*, &c. Their loue is lost, and in vaine in such an estate to attempt. [†] *Gravissimum est adamare nec potiri*, 'tis a grieuous thing to loue and not enioy. They may indeed, I deny not, marry if they will, and haue free choice some of them; but in the meane time their case is desperat, *Lupum auribus tenent*, they hold a wolfe by the eares; they must either burne or starue. 'Tis *Cornutum sophisma*, hard to resolute, if they marry they forfeit their estates, they are vndone and starue themselfes through beggery and want: if they doe not marry, in this heroicall passion they furiously rage, and are tormented, torne in peeces by their predominate affections. Euery man hath not the gift of continence, better it is to marry then burne, for their soules health, but for their present fortunes, by some other meanes to pacifie themselfes, and diuert the streame of this fiery torrent, to continue as they are, ^k rest satisfied, and with *Iepthes* daughter to bewaile their virginities.

¹ *Apuleius* in Catel. nobis Cupido velle dat, posse abnegat.
[†] *Anacreon.* 46.

Of like nature is superstition, those rash vowes of Monkes and Friers, and such as liue in religious orders; but farre more tyrannicall and much worse. Nature, youth, and this furious passion forcibly inclines, and rageth on the one side: but their order and vow checkes them on the other.

^k The Foxe would eat no Grapes. If she may not bee had, let her go

^{*} *Potōq. suo sua forma repugnat.* What merits and Indulgences they heape vnto themselfes by it, what commodities, I knowe not; but I am sure, from such rash vowes, and inhumane manner of life proceed many inconueniences, many diseases, many vices, mastupration, Satyriasis, Priapismus, melancholy, madnesse, fornication, adultery, Sodomy, theft, murder, and all manner of mischiefs: read but *Bales Catalogue of Sodomites*, at the visitation of Abbies here in *England*, *Henry Stephen* his Apol. for *Herodo-*

^{*} *Ouid.* l. 1. mel.

¹ *Mercurius de Priapismo.*

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m Memorabile
quod Vricus e-
pistolâ refert,
Gregorium quâ
ex piscina qua-
dam allata plus
quam sex mille
infantium capi-
ta vidisset, inge-
nuis se, et decre-
tum de celibatu
tantam cedis
causam confessus
condigno illud
penitentie fru-
ctu purgasse Kê-
nisi ex concil.
Trident part.3.
de celibatu sa-
cerdotum.
n^o Si nubat, quâ
si domi concubi-
nam alat.
o Alphonsus Ci-
camus lib. de
gest. pontificum.
p Cum medici
suaderent ut aut
nuberet, aut coi-
tu vteretur, sic
mortem vitari
posse, mortem
polius intrep-
idus expectauit.
Gr.
o Lidgate in
Chaucers flow-
er of curtesie.

that which Vricus writes in one of his Epistles, ^m that Pope Gregory when he saw 600. skulls and bones of Infants taken out of a fishpond neere a Nunnery, thereupon retracted that decree of Priests marriages, which was the cause of such a slaughter, was much grieved at it, and purged himselfe by repentance. Read many such, and then aske what is to be done; Is this vow to bee broke or not? No, saith Bellarmine, cap. 38. lib. de Monach. melius est scortari & vri, quam de voto celibatus ad nuptias transire, better burne or fly out then to breake thy vow. And Coster in his Enchirid. de calibat. sacerdotum, saith it is absolutely grauius peccatum, ⁿ a greater sinne for a Priest to marry, then to keepe a Concubine at home. Gregory de Valence, cap. 6. de calibat. maintaines as much, as those Essai and Montanists of old. Insomuch that many Votaries, out of a false perswasion of merit and holinesse in this kinde, will sooner dye then marry, though it be to the sauing of their liues. o Anno 1419. Pius 2. Pope, James Rossa Nephew to the king of Portugall, and now elect Arch-bishop of Lisbon, being very sicke at Florence, ^p when his Physitians told him, that his disease was such, he must either lye with a wench, marry, or dye, cheere-fully chose to dye. Now they commend him for it. But St Paul teacheth other-
wise, better marry then burne, and Cyprian Epist. 8. boldly denounceth, Adul-
terum est, impium est, sacrilegum est, quodcumq; humano furore statuitur, vt di-
spostio diuina violetur, It is abominable, impious, adulterous, and sacrilegi-
ous, what men make and ordinate after their owne furies to crosse Gods
lawes. It is an vnnaturall and impious thing to barre men of this Christian
liberty, too seuer and inhumane an edict.

o The silly wrenne, the Titmouse also,
The little Redbreast haue their election,
They flye I saw and together gone,
Whereas hem list, about enuiron
As they of kinde haue inclination,
And as nature Impresse and guide,
Of euery thing list to prouide.

But man alone, alas the hard stond,
Full cruelly by kinds ordnance
Constrained is, and by statutes bound.
And debarred from all such pleasure:
What meaneth this, what is this pretence
Of lawes, I wis, against all right of kinde
Without a cause, so narrow men to binde.

Many Lay-men repine still at Priests marriages about the rest, and not at Cleargy men only, but all of the meaner sort and condition, they would haue none marry but such as are rich and able to maintaine wiues, because their parish belike shall be pestered with Orphans, and the world full of beg-
gers: but ^p these are shallow politicians, they doe not ^q consider that a great
part of the world is not yet inhabited as it ought, how many Colonies into
America, Terra Australis incognita, Africa may bee sent? Those politique
Romans were of another mind, they thought their Citty & Country could
neuer be too populous. ^r Augustus Caesar made an Oration in Rome ad cali-
bes, to perswade them to marry, some countries compelled them to marry
of

^p Tis not mul-
titude but idle-
nesse which
causeth beg-
gery.
^q Or to set
them a work,
and bring the
vp in some
honest trades.
^r Dion. Cassius
lib. 56.

of old, as^f *Jewes, Turkes, Indians, Chinese*, amongst the rest in these dayes, who much wonder at our discipline to suffer so many idle persons to liue in Monasteries, & often marvell how they can liue honest. * In the Isle of *Margnan*, the Gouvernour and petty King there did wonder at the *Frenchmen*, & admire how so many Friars, and the rest of their company could liue without wiues, they thought it a thing vnpossible, and would not beleue it. If these men should but Survey our multitudes of religious houses, obserue our numbers of Monasteries all ouer *Europe*, 18 Nunneries in *Padua*, In *Venice* 31. Cloisters of Monkes, 28. of Nunnes, &c. *ex vngue leonem*, ris to this proportion, in all other Prouinces & Cities, what would they think, doe they liue honest? Let them dissemble as they will, I am of *Tertullians* mind, that few can containe but by compulsion. * O chastity (saith he) thou art a rare Goddesse in the world, not so easily got, seldome continuat: Thou maist not & then be compel'd either for defect of nature, or if discipline perswade, decrees enforce: Or for some such by respects, want of meanes, rash vowes, &c. But can he willingly containe? I thinke not. Therefore either out of commiseration of humane imbecillity, or in policy, or to preuent a farre worser inconvenience, " In most countries they doe much encourage them to marriage, giue great rewards to such as haue many children, and mulct such as will not marry, *Ius trium liberorum*, and in *Agellius lib. 2. cap. 15.* * Wee read that three children freed the father from painefull offices, and free from all contributions. A woman shall be saued by bearing children. *Epictetus* would haue all marry, and *Plato* of *de legibus*, he that marrieth not before 35 yeares of his age, must be compelled and punished, and the money consecrated to *Iuno's* Temple, or applied to publike vses. They account him in some countries vnfortunate that dies without a wife, and lament him for it: o my sweet sonne, &c. See *Lucian de luctu*, *Sands fol. 83.*

Yet notwithstanding many with vs are of the opposit part, they are married themselves and for others let them burne, fire and flame they care not, so they be not troubled with them. Many poore people, and of the meaner sort are too distrustfull of Gods prouidence, they will not marry for such worldly respects, feare of want, woes, miseries, or that they shall light, as *Lemnius* saith, on a scold, a slut, or a bad wife. And therefore † *Tristem Iuuentam uenere deserti colunt*, they are resolu'd to liue single, and ready with *Hippolitus* to abiure all women. * *Detestor omnes horreo, fugio, execror, &c.* But these me are too distrustfull and much to blame,

^a *Parcite paucorum diffundere crimen in omnes.* They must not blame all for some. As there be many bad, there be some good wiues: read what *Solomon* hath said in their praises, *Prov. 31.* and *Siracides cap. 26. & 36.* *Minuuntur atra coniuge cura*, women are the sole only ioy, and comfort of a mans life. P *Delitie humani generis, solatia vite,*

Blanditie noctis, placidissima cura diei,

Vota virum, iuuenum spes, &c.

A wife is a young mans Mistress, a middle ages companion, an old mans nurse: Particeps letorum & tristitia. a prop, an helpe, &c. because marriage is troublesome, to avoid it, is no argument; c he that will avoid trouble must avoid the world, saith *Eusebius* prepar. *Evangel. 5. cap. 50.* Some trouble there is in marriage I deny not, *Et si graue sit matrimonium*, saith *Erasmus*, *edulcatur tamen multis, &c.* yet there bee many things

^f *Sardus.*
^f *Buxdorsius.*
^f *Riccius.*
^f *Claude Albe-*
^f *nille in his hist*
^f *of the French*
^f *men to the*
^f *Isle of Morag-*
^f *nan. An. 16 14*

* *Rara quidem*
deu tu es O cha-
stitas in his ter-
ris, nec facile
perfecta variis
perpetua, cogi
nonnunquam po-
test, ob natura
defectum, vel s
disciplina per-
suaferit, censura
compresserit.

^u *Alexander ab*
Alexandro lib.
4. cap. 8.

* *Tres filij fra-*
trems ab excubi-
is quinq. ab om-
nibus officiis li-
berabant.

^y *Precepto pri-*
mo. Cogatur nu-
bere aut mule-
tator & pecu-
niam templo In-
nonis dedicetur
& publica fiat.

^z *Qui se capi-*
suo matrimonij
alligari non pa-
tiuntur. Lemni-
lib. 4. 13. de oc-
cult nat. Abhor-
rent multi a ma-
trimonio, ne mo-
rosam, querulan-
acerbam, ama-
ram uxorem
perferre cogan-
tur.

† *Senec. Hippol.*

* *Idem Hipp.*

^a *Ouid.*

^b *Lockeus.*

^c *Bacons Essays*

^c *Qui vult vi-*

^c *tare molestias*

^c *vitet mundum.*

— Pludite vs lubet & breui
Liberos date. —

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Calullus.

Then modestly goe sport and play,
And let's haue euery yeare a boy. ^{† Goe giue a sweet smell} ^{Eccl. 39. 14}
as Incense, and bring forth flowres as the Lilly: that we may say hereafter,
Scitus Mecastor, natus est Pamphilo puer.

In the meane time, I say, *Ite agite o iuvenes, non murmura vestra columba,* ^{† Galien Epist.}
Brachia non hederæ, neq; vincant oscula concha.

O gentle youths goe sport your selues betimes,
Let not the Dones outpasse your murmurings,
Or Ivy clasping armes, or oyster kissings.

And in the morne betime, as those ^{† Theocritus} Lacedamonian Lasses saluted *Helenâ & Menelaw,* ^{edyl. 18.} singing at their windowes, & wishing good successe, doe wee at
yours. *Salve o sponsa, salve falix, det vobis Latona*

Fallicem Sobolem, Venus dea det aequalem amorem
Inter vos mutuo, Saturnus durabiles diuitias,
Dormite in pectora mutuo amorem inspirantes,
Et desiderium. —

Goodmorrow Master Bridegrome, & mistris Bride,
Many faire louely Bernes to you betide:
Let *Venus* to you mutuall loue procure,
Let *Saturnus* giue you riches to endure,
Long may yon sleepe in one anothers armes,
Inspiring sweet desire, and free from harmes.

And all your liues long, *† Contingat vobis turturum concordia,*
Cornicula viracitas. —

The loue of Turtles hap to you,
And Rauens yeares still to renew.

Let the *Muses* sing (as he said) the *Graces* dance, not at their weddings only,
but all their liues long; so couple their hearts, that no irksomnesse or anger euer
befall them: Let him neuer call her other name then my ioy, my light, or her call
him otherwise then sweet-heart. To this happinesse of theirs, let not old age any
whit detract but as their yeares, so let their mutuall loue and comfort increase.

And when they depart this life --- *† concordet quoniam vixere tot annos,*

Auferat hora duos eadem, nec coniugis usquam
Busta sue videat, nec sit tumultandus ab illâ.

Because they haue so sweetly liu'd together,
Let not one dye a day before the other,
He bury her, she him with euen fate,
One houre their soules let ioyntly separate.

^{† Erasmus Epist.}
^{thal. P. Egidij.}
Nec saltem modò
sed duo charissimâ
ma pectora in-
diffolubili mutue
benevolentie
nodo copulent, ut
nihil unquam
eos incendere
possit ira vel ta-
dy. Illa perpetua
nihil. audiat nisi
mea lux: Ille
vicissim nihil nisi
anime mi: Atq;
huic iucunditatē
se necesse de-
trahat, imo poti-
us aliquid adan-
geat.
^{† Ouid. Met. 8.}

Falliciter nuptis.

Atq; hæc de amore dixisse sufficiat, sub correctione, h quod ait ille, cuiusq;
melius sentientis. Plura qui volet de remediis Amoris, legat *Iasonem Praten-*
sem, Arnoldum, Montanum, Savanarolam, Langium, Valescum, Crimisonum, A-
lexandrum Benedictum, Laurentium, Valleriolam, & Poëtis Nasonem, & nostra-
tibus Chancerum, &c.

^{h Kornmannus}
^{de lineâ Amoris.}

SECT. 3.

MEMB. I. SUBSECT. I.

Jealousie, his Equivocations, Name, Definition, Extent, severall kinds, of Princes, Parents, Friends, in Beasts, Men, before marriage, as Courtials, or after, as in this place.

Valescus de Taranta cap. de Melanchol. *Alian Montaltus, Felix Plate- rus, Guianerius*, put Jealousie for a cause of Melancholy, others for a Symptome; because melancholy persons amongst other passions & perturbations of the mind, are most obnoxious to it. But me thinks for the latitude it hath, and that prerogative about other ordinary Symptomes, it ought to be treated of as a Species a-part, being of so great and eminent note, so furious a passion, & almost of as great extent as Loue it selfe, as *Benedetto Varchi* holds, *No loue without a mixture of Jealousie*. For these causes I will dilate it, & treat of it by it selfe, as a bastard branch, or kind of Loue Melancholy, and of like note; which as *Heroicall Loue*, goeth commonly before marriage, this vsually followes, tortures, and crucifies in like sort, deserves therefore to be rectified alike, requires as much care and industry, in setting out the severall causes of it, prognostickes & cures. Which I haue more willingly done, that he that is, or hath beene Jealous, may see his error as in a glasse; he that is not, may learne to detest, auoid it himselfe, and dispossesse others that are any way affected with it.

In his Orati- on of Jealousie, put out by Fran. Sanjekino.

Benedetto Varchi.

Exercitat. 3. 17 Cum mecumus ne amate rei exturbemur possessione.

Zelus de forma, & invidentie species, ne quis forma, quam amamus, fruatur.

de Anima.

R. de anima. Tangimus Zelo typia de pupillis liberis, charis, cure nostre creditis, non de forma, sed ne male sit ipsi, aut ne nobis sibi, parenti ignominiam.

Plutarch. Seneca in Herc. fur.

Jealousie is described & defined to be ^ka certaine suspicion which the Louer hath of the party he chiefly loneth, lest he or she should be enamored of another: or an eager desire to enioy some beauty alone, to haue it proper to himselfe only: a feare or doubt, lest any forrainger should participate or share with him in his loue. Or (as *Scaliger* addes) a feare of loosing her fauour, whom hee so earnestly affects. *Cardan* calls it, a ^mzeale for loue, and a kinde of enuy lest any man should beguile vs. *Lodovicus Vives* defines it in the very same words, or little differing in sense.

There be many other Jealousies, but improperly so called all; as that of Parents, Tutors, Guardians ouer their children, friends whom they loue, or such as are left to their wardship or protection,

Storax, non redijt hac nocte à cænâ. Eschinus,

Neg. servulorum qui spiam qui aduorsum ierant?

As the old man in the Comedy cryed out in passion, and from a solicitous feare and care he had of his adopted sonne, ^o not of beauty, but lest they should miscarry, doe amisse, or any way discredit; disgrace (as *Vives* notes) or indanger themselves and vs. *P. Agens* was so solicitous for his sonne *Thesens*, (when he went to fight with the *Minotaure*) of his successe, lest hee should be foyled; *a Prona est timori semper in peius fides*. We are still apt to suspect the worst in such doubtfull cases, as many wiues in their husbands absence, fond mothers in their childrens, lest if absent they should be misled or sicke, and are continually expecting newes of them, how they doe fare, & what is become of them, they cannot endure to haue them long out of their sight:

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O my sweet sonne, O my deare child, &c. Paul was iealous ouer the Church of Corinth, as he confesseth 2. Cor. 11. 12. With a godly Iealousie, to present them a pure Virgin to Christ, and he was afraid still, lest as the Serpent beguiled Eva through his subtilty, so their mindes should bee corrupt from the simplicity that is in Christ. God himselfe in some sense is said to be iealous, *I am a iealous God, and will visite, &c.* and Psal. 79. 5. Shall thy Iealousie burne like fire for euer? But these are improperly called Iealousies, and by a Metaphor, to expresse the care and sollicitude they haue of them. Although some Iealousies expresse all the Symptomes of this which we treat of, feare, sorrow, anguish, anxiety, suspition, &c. the obiekt only varied. As that of Princes, which is most notorious, as when they feare corriuals (if I may so call them) successors, emulators, subiects, or such as they haue offended. *Omniſq. potestas Impatiens consortis erit: They are still suspitious, lest their authority should bee diminished,* as one obserues; And as Comineus hath it, *It cannot bee expressed what slender causes they haue of their griefe and suspition, a secret disease, that commonly lurkes and breeds in Princes families.* Sometimes it is for their honour only, as that of Adrian the Emperour, *that killed all his Emulators.* Saul envied David; Domitian, Agricola; because hee did excell him; obscure his honor as he thought, ecclipte his fame. Iuno turned Prætus daughters into Kine, because they contended with her for beauty, Cyparisse King Eteocles daughters, were envied of the Goddes for their excellent good parts, and dancing amongst the rest, saith Constantine, and for that cause, flang downe headlong from beauen, and buried in a pit, but the earth tooke pittie of them, and brought out Cypresse trees to preserue their memories. Niobe, Arachne, and Marsias, can testify as much. But it is most grievous whē it is for a kingdome it selfe, or matters of commodity, it produceth lamentable effects, especially amongst Tyrants, in Despotico Imperio, and such as are more feared, then beloued of their subiects, that get and keepe their soueraignty by force. *Quod civibus tenere te inuitis scias, &c.* as Phalaris, Dionysius, Periander held theirs. *What slave, what hangman* (as Bodine well expresseth this passion, l. 2. cap. 5. de rep.) can so cruelly torture a condemned person, as this feare, and suspition? Feare of death, infamy, torments, are those furies and vultures, that vex and disquiet tyrants, and torture them day and night, with perpetuall terrors and affrights, envy, suspition, feare, desire of revenge, and a thousand such disagreeing perturbations, turne and affright the soule out of the hinges of health, and more grievously wound and pierce, then those cruell masters can exasperate and vex their prentises or seruants, with clubbes, whippes, chaines and tortures. Many terrible examples we haue in this kind amongst the Turkes, especially many iealous outrages, *Selimus* killed Cornutus his youngest brother, fūe of his Nephewes, *Mustapha Bassa*, and many others. *Baiazet* the second Turke, iealous of the valour and greatnesse of *Acmet Bassa*, caused him to be slaine. *Solyman* the magnificent, mured his owne sonne *Mustapha*, and 'tis an ordinary thing amongst them, to make away their owne brothers, or any competitors: at the first comming to the Crowne, 'tis all the solemnity they vse at their funerals. What mad pranks in his iealous furie did *Herod* of old, commit in *Jury*, when he massacred al the children of a yeere old? And what mad pranks hath *Io. Basilus*, that Musconian tyrant, practised of late? It is a wonder to read that strange suspition, which *Suetonius* relates of *Claudius*

Exod. 20.

Lucian.

Dancus Aphor. polit. Semper metuunt ne eorum auctoritas minuat.

Belli Neapol. lib. 5.

Dici non potest quam tenues & infirmas causas habent metus & suspitionis, & hic est morbus occultus, qui in familiis principum regnat.

Omnes amulos interfecit, Lampridius.

Constant. Agricola. lib. 10. cap. 5. Cyparisse Eteocles filie,

saltantes ad amulationem deorum, in putum demolite sunt, sed terram miserata, cupressos inde produxit.

Ovid. Met. Seneca.

Quis autem carnis ex additum supplicio crudelius afficiat, quam metus? Metus inquam mortis, infamie, cruciatus sunt, ille ultres furie, que tyrannos exagitant, &c. Multo acerbius sauciant & pungunt, quam crudeles domini servos victos, fustibus ac tormentis exulcerare possunt.

Lonicus. To. 1. Turc. hist. c. 24.

Iovius vita eius.

Knyoles. Bushequius. Sands fol. 52.

Alexander Gargimus Musconian tyrant, practised of late. It is a wonder to read that strange suspition, which Suetonius relates of Claudius cap. 5.

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Cesar, and of Domitian, they were afraid of euery man they saw. And which Herodian of Antoninus and Geta, those two iealous brothers, the one could not endure so much as the others seruants, but made away him, and all his followers, and all that belonged to him, or were his well-wishers. & Maximinus perceiving himselfe to be odious to most men, because he was come to that height of honour out of base beginnings, and suspecting his meane parentage, would be objected to him, caused all the Senators that were nobly descended, to be slaine in a iealous honour, turned all the seruants of Alexander his predecessor out of doores, and slew many of them, because they lamented their Masters death, suspecting them to be traitors, for the loue they bare to him. When Alexander in his fury had made Clitus his deare friend to be put to death, and saw now (saith ^b Curtius) an alienation in his subiects hearts, none durst talk with him, he began to be iealous of himselfe, lest they should attempt as much on him, and said they liued like so many wilde beasts in a wildernesse, one afraide of another. Our moderne stories afford vs many notable examples. ⁱ Henry the third of France, iealous of Henry of Loraine Duke of Guise, Anno 1588, caused him to be murdered in his own chamber. Lewes the eleuenth was so suspitious, he durst not trust his owne children, euery man about him he suspected for a traitor; Many strange tricks Comineus telleth of him. How iealous was our Henry the fourth of King Richard the second, so long as hee liued, after he was deposed; and of his owne sonne Henry, in his latter dayes? which the Prince well perceining, came to visite his father in his sicknesse, in a watchet veluet gowne, full of iilet holes, and with needles sticking in them, (as an embleme of Jealousie) and so pacified his suspitious father, after some speaches, and protestations, which hee had vsed to that purpose. Perpetuall imprisonment, as that of Robert, Duke of Normandy, in the dayes of Henry the first, forbidding of marriage to some persons, with such like edicts & prohibitions, are ordinary in all estates. In a word (as he said) three things cause Jealousie, a mighty state, a rich treasure, a faire wife, or where there is a crackt title, much tyranny, and many exactions. In our state, as being freed from all these feares and miseries, we may be most secure and happy, vnder the raigne of our fortunate Prince.

*o His fortune hath indebted him to none,
But to all his people vniuersally,
And not to them but for their loue alone,
Which they account as placed worthily.
He is so set, he hath no cause to be
Jealous, or dreadfull of disloyaltie;
The pedestal whercon his greatnesse stands,
Is held of all our hearts, and all our hands.*

But I roue, I confesse. These Equivocations, Jealousies, and many such, which crucifie the soules of men, are not heere properly meant, or in this distinction of ours included, but that alone which is for beauty, tending to loue, and wherein they can brooke no corriuall, or endure any participation: and this Jealousie belongs aswell to bruite beasts, as to men. Some creatures, saith ^p Vives, as Swannes, Doves, Cocks, Bulles, &c. are iealous as well as men, and as much moued, for feare of communion.

q Venere instructi quam magna gerunt

Grege

^e D^r Fletcher.
timet omnes ne
insidie essent.

^b Herodian. li. 7.
Maximus in-
visum se senti-
ens, quod ex in-
fimo loco in tan-
tam fortunam
uenisset, moribus
ac genere barba-
ris, metuens ne
natiui obcu-
ritas obiceretur,
omnes Alexan-
dri predecesso-
res ministros ex
aula eiecit, plu-
ribus interfecit
quod macta-
rent ad mortem
Alexandri, insi-
dias inde metu-
ens.

ⁱ Lib. 8. tanquam
fere solitudine
vivebant, ter-
rentes alios, ti-
mentes.

ⁱ Serres fol. 56.

^k Neapol. belli
lib. 5. nulli pro-
fus homini fide-
bat, omnes insi-
dians sibi puta-
bat.

^l Camdens Re-
maines.

^m Mat. Paris.

ⁿ R. T. Notis in
blasph. iealousie.

^o Daniel in his
Panegyricke
to the King.

^p 3. de animalia
cap. de zel: Ani-
malia quedam
zelotypia tan-
guntur, ut olores,
columbe, galli,
tauri, &c. ob me-
tum communio-
nis.

^q Seneca.

Grege pro toto bella iuvenci,

Si coningio timere suo,

Poscunt timidi praelia cervi,

Et mugitus dant concepti signa furoris.

In Venus cause what mighty battles make

Your raving Buls, and stirres for their heards sake,

And Harts and Buckes that are so timorous,

Will fight and roare if once they be but ielous.

In Bulles, Horses, Goates, this is most apparantly discerned, Bulles especial-ly, *alium in pascuis non admittit*, he will not admit another Bull to feed in the same pasture, saith † *Oppian*: which *Stephanus Bathorius*, late King of Poland vfed as in Imprese, with that Motto, *Rengum non capit duos*. R. T. in his blason of Jealousie, telleth a story of a Swanne about *Windsore*, that finding a strange cocke with his mate, did swimme I know not how many miles after to kill him, and when hee had so done, came backe and killed his henne, a certaine truth, hee saith, done vpon Thames, as many Water-men, and neighbour Gentlemen can tell. *Fidem suam liberet*; for my part, I doe beleue it may be true, for Swannes haue euer beene branded with that Epithete of Jealousie.

† The ielous Swan against his death that singeth,

And eke the Owle that of death bode bringeth.

Some say as much of Elephants, that they are more ielous then any other creatures whatsoeuer; and those old *Egyptians*, as † *Pierius* informeth vs, expressed in their *Hieroglyphickes*, the passion of Jealousie by a Camell, because that fearing the worst still about matters of Venerie, he loues solitudes; that he may enioy his pleasure alone.

But this furious passion is most eminent in men, and is aswell amongst Bachelors, as married men: if it appeare amongst Bachelours, we commonly call them riualls or corriualls, a metaphore deriued from a riuer, *riuales à trivo*, for as a riuer, saith *Acron* in *Hor. art. Poet.* and *Donat.* in *Ter. Eunuch.* diuides a common ground betwixt two men, and both participate of it, so is a woman indifferent betwixt two suters, both likely to enioy her; and thence comes this emulation, which breakes out many times into tempestuous stormes, and produceth lamentable effects, murder it self with much cruelty, many single combats. They cannot endure the least iniury done to them before their mistris, and in her defence, will bite off one anothers noses, they are most impatient of any flout, disgrace, or least emulation or participation in that kind. † *Phedria* could not abide his corriuall *Tbraso*; for when *Parmeno* demanded, *numquid aliud impetras?* whether he would command him any more seruice, *No more* (said he) *but to speak in his behalfe, and to driue away his corriuall if he could.* *Constantine* in the eleuenth booke of his husbandry, cap. 11. hath a pleasant tale of the Pine tree, * she was once a faire maide, who *Pineus* and *Boreas* two corriualls, dearely sought; but ielous *Boreas* broke her necke, &c. And in his 18 chapter, he telleth another tale of † *Mars*, that in his ielousie slew *Adonis*. *Petronius* calleth this passion, *amantium furiosam emulationem*, a furious emulation, and their symptomes are well expressed by † *Jeffrey Chaucer* in his first *Canterbury tale*. It will make the nearest & dearest friends fall out; they will endure al other things to be common, goods, lands, moneyes, participate of all other pleasures, and take in good part any disgra-

† Lib. 11. Cyn-
get.

† Chaucer in his
assembly of
foules.

† *Alderovandus*

† Lib. 12.

† *Sibi timens
circa res vener-
as, solitudines
amat, quod solus
sola semina fru-
atur.*

† *Qui diuidit
agrum commu-
nem, inde dedu-
citur ad amari-
tes.*

† *Ter. Eun. act.
1. sc. 1. Munus
nostrum ornato
verbis, & istum
amulum, quod
pateris, ab ea
pellito.*

* *Pinea puella
quondam fuit,
&c.*

† *Mars zeloty-
pus, Adonidem
interfecit.*

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ces, iniuries in another kind, but as *Propertius* well describes it in an Elegie of his, in this they will suffer nothing, haue no corriuals.

Tu mihi vel ferro pectus, vel perde veneno,

A domina tantum te modo tolle mea,

Te socium vita, te corporis esse licebit,

Te Dominum admitto rebus amice meis.

Lecto te solum, lecto te deprecor uno,

Riualem possum non ego ferre Iovem.

R. T.

Stab me with sword, or poyson strong

Giue me to worke my bane;

So thou court not my lasse, so thou

From mistris mine refraine.

Command my selfe, my body, purse,

As thine owne goods take all,

And as my euer dearest friend,

I euer vse thee shall.

O spare my Loue, to haue alone

Her to my selfe I craue,

Nay, Ioue himselfe Ile not endure

My Riual for to haue.

This Iealousie which I am to treat of, is that which belongs to married men, in respect of their owne wiues, to whose estate, as no sweetnesse, pleasure, happinesse can be compared in the World, if they liue quietly and louingly together; so if they disagree or bee iealous, those bitter pilles of sorrow and grieffe, disastherous mischiefes, mischances, tortures, gripings, discontents are not to be separated from them. A most violent passion it is where it taketh place, an vnspeakable torment, a hellish torture, an infernall plague, as *Aristo* calles it, *A furie, a continuall feuer, full of suspicion, seare, and sorrow, a martyr dome, a mirth-marring monster. The sorrow and grieffe of heart, is one woman iealous of another, heavier then death, Eccles 28.6. as Peninnah did Hannah, Vexe her, and vpbraid her sore. Tis a maine vexation, a most intollerable burden, a frenzie, a madnesse it selfe, as Beneditto Varchi proues out of that select Sonnet of Giovanni de la Casa, that reuerend Lord, as he stiles him.*

* 1 Sam. 1.6.

* Blason of iealousie.

SUBSEC. 2.

Causes of Iealousie, who are most apt. Idlenessse, Melancholy, Impotency, long Absence, Beauty, wantonnesse, bad themselves, Allurements, from time, place, persons, bad vsage.

Astrologers make the starres a cause or signe of this bitter passion, and out of every mans *Horoscope*, will giue a probable coniecture whether he will be iealous or no, and at what time: their Aphorismes are to be read in *Albumazar, Pontanus, Schoner, Iunctine, &c. Bodine c. 5. method. hist.* ascribes a great cause to the country or clime, & discourseth largely there of this subiect, saying that southerne men are more hot, lasciuious, and iealous, then such as liue in the north, they can hardly containe themselves

selues in those hotter climes, but are most subiect to prodigious lusts. *Leo* After telleth incredible things almost of the lust and iealousie of his countrymen of *Africke*, and especially such as liue about *Carthage*, and so doth every Geographer of them in *Asia*, *Turkie*, *Spaniards*, *Italians*. In *Italy*, some account them of *Piacenza* more iealous then the rest. In *Germanie*, *Brittain*, *Scandia*, *Poland*, *Musconie*, they are not so troubled with this ferall malady, although *Damianus à Goes*, which I doe much wonder at, in his description of *Lapland*, and *Herbastein* of *Russians*, against the streame of all other Geographers, would fasten it vpon those Northerne inhabitants. *Altomarus*, *Poggins* and *Munster* in his description of *Baden*, reports that men and women of all sorts goe commonly into the Bathes together, without all suspition, the name of iealousie (saith *Munster*) is not so much as once heard of amongst them. In *Frisland* the women kisse him they drinke to, & are killed againe of those they pledge. The Virgins in *Holland* goe hand in hand with young men from home, glide on the Ice, and lodge together abroad without suspition, which rasha *Sanfovius* an *Italian* makes a great signe of vnchastity. In most Northerne Countries young men and maids familiarly dance together, men and their wiues, † which *Siena*, onely excepted, *Italians* may not abide. † The *Greekes* on the other side haue their priuate Bathes for men and women, where they must not come neere, not so much as see one another: & as *Bo-dine* obserues lib. 5. de repub. the *Italians* would neuer endure this, or a *Spaniard*, the very conceit of it would make him mad: and for that cause they lock vp their women, and will not suffer them to bee together, so much as in the Church, but with a partition betweene. Hee telleth moreouer, how that when he was Embassador in *England*, he heard *Mendoza* the *Spanish* Legate finding fault with it, as a filthy custome for men and women to sit promiscuously in Churches together, but Dr *Dale* the master of the Requests told him againe, that it was indeed a filthy custome in *Spaine*, where they could not containe themselves from lasciuious thoughts in their holy places, but not with vs. we are farre from any such strange conceits, and will permit our wiues and daughters to go to the *Tauerne* with a friend, as *Auban* saith, *modò absit lascinia*, and suspect nothing, to kisse comming and going, which as *Erasmus* writes in one of his Epistles, they cannot endure. Some make a question whither this headstrong passion, rage more in women then men, as *Montaigne* l. 3. But sure it is more outrageous in women, as all other *Melancholy* is, by reason of the weaknesse of their sexe. *Scaliger* Poet. li. ca. 13. concludes against women. ‡ Besides their inconstancy, treachery, suspition, dissimulation, superstition, pride, (for all women are by nature proud) desire of souerainty, if they be great women, (hee giues instance in *Iuno*) bitterness and iealousie are the most remarkable affecti-
ons.

Sed neq; fuluus aper media tam fuluus in ira est,

Fulmineo rapidos dum rotat ore canes.

Nec Leo, &c.

† Tyger, Boore, Beare, Viper, Lionesse,

‡ A womans fury cannot expresse.

h Some say red headed women, pale coloured, blacke eyed, and of a shrill voice, are most subiect to iealousie.

High colour in a woman choller shewes,

Naught are they pecuifish, proud, malicious,

But worst of all red, shrill, and iealous.

† Fines Mori-
son.

o Mulierum
conditio misera,
nulla honestam
credunt nisi do-
mo conclusa vi-
uat.

c Nomen zelo-
typie apud istos
locum non ha-
bet. lib. 3. cap. 8.

† Fines Mor.
part. 3. cap. 2.

o Buslequius.
Sands.

c Pre amore &
zelotypia sepius
insaniunt.

§ Australes ne
sacra quidem
publica feri pa-
tuntur, nisi u-
terq; sexus pari-
ete medio diui-
datur: & quum
in Angliam in-
quit, legationis
causa profectus
essem, audiui
Mendozam le-
gatum Hispani-
arum dicentem,
turpe esse viros
& feminas in
&c.

§ Idea: mulieres
preterquam quod
sunt infide suspi-
caces, inconstan-
tes, insidiosae, su-
mulatrices, su-
persitiosae, & si
potentes, intole-
rabiles amore
zelotype supra
modum. Ouid.
2. de art.

h Bartello.

R. T. No 200

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Comparisons are odious, I neither parallell them with others, nor debase them any more: men and women are both bad, and too subiect to this pernicious infirmity. It is most part a symptome and cause of Melancholy, as *Plater* and *Valescus* teach vs: melancholy men are apt to be iealous, and iealous apt to be melancholy.

R.T.

Pale iealousie child of insatiate loue,
Of heart-sicke thoughts which melancholy bred,
Abell tormenting feare, no faith can moue,
By discontent with deadly poison fed.
With headlesse youth and error vainely led.
A mortall plague, a vertue drowning flood,
A hellish fire not quenched but with blood.

If idlenesse concurre with melancholy, such persons are most apt to bee iealous, and 'tis ¹ *Neuisanus* note, *An idle woman is presumed to be lasciuious and often iealous. Mulier cum sola cogitat, male cogitat.* And 'tis not vnlikely, for they haue no other businesse to trouble their heads with.

¹ Lib. 2. num. 8.
mulier otiosa facile presumitur luxuriosa, & sepe zeloty p.

More particulat causes be these which follow. Impotencie first, when a man is not able of himselfe to performe those dues which hee ought vnto his wife, and he perceaues her to be more crauing, clamorous, vnfatiable & prone to lust then is fit, he beginnes presently to suspect that wherein hee is defectiue, she will satisfie her selfe, she will be pleased by some other means. This cause is most euident in old men, that are cold and drye by nature, and married *succi plenis*, to young wanton wiues, with old doting *Ianiuer* in *Chaucer* they beginne to mistrust all is not well. And how should it otherwise be? Old age is a disease of it selfe, loathsome, fulsome, full of suspicion and feare, when it is at best, vnable, vnfit for such matters. ² *Tam apta nuptijs quam bruma messibus*, as welcome to a young woman as snowe in haruest, faith *Neuisanus*. *Et si capis iuenculam faciet tibi cornua*: Marry a maid and she will surely graft hornes on thy head. ³ *All women are slippery, vnfaithfull to their husbands most part* (as *Aeneas Sylvius* epist. 83. seconds him) but to old men most treacherous: they had rather *mortem amplexarier*, ly with a corse then with such a one. On the other side most men, faith *Hieronymus*, are suspicious of their wiues, ⁴ if they be lightly giuen, but old folks aboute the rest. In somuch that she did not complaine without a cause in ⁵ *Apuleius* of an old bald, bedridden knaue she had to her goodman. *Poore woman as I am, what shall I doe? I haue an old grimme sire to my husband, as bald as a coot, as little and as vnable as a child, a bedfellow of bones, he keepes all the doores barred & locked vpon me, woe is me, what shall I doe?* He was iealous, and she made him cuckold for keeping her vp: suspicion without a cause, hard vsage, is able of it selfe to make a woman fly out, that was otherwise honest. *Nam quando mulieres cognoscunt maritum hoc aduertere, licentius peccant*, as ⁶ *Neuisanus* holds, when a woman thinkes her husband watcheth her, she will sooner offend, *P Liberius peccant & pudor omnis abest*, rough handling makes them worse: as the good wife of *Bathe* in *Chaucer* bragges,

² Lib. 2. num. 4.
³ *Quam omnibus infideles femine, senibus infidelissime.*
⁴ *Vix aliqua non impudica, et quam non suspexitam merito quis habeat.*

⁵ Lib. 5. de aur. asino. *At ego misera patre meo seniore mari-tum nactus sum, dein cucurbita caluiorem, & quous puero pu-milorem, cum-Flam domum seris & cathenis obditam custo-dientem.*

⁶ Lib. 4. n. 80.
⁷ *Ouid. 2. de art. amandi.*

In his owne greafe I made him frie,
For anger and for very Jealousie.

⁷ Every man out of his humour.

Of two extreames, this of hard vsage is the worst, 'tis a great fault (as some men are *uxorij*) to bee too fond of their wiues, to dote on them as *P Senior*

Deliro

Deliro on his *Fallace*, to be too effeminate, or as some doe, to be sick for their wiues, breed children for them, and as the *q Tiberini* doe lye in for them, as some birds hatch egges by turnes, they doe all womens offices. *Calius Rhodiginus*, *ant. lect. lib. 16. cap. 24.* makes mention of a fellow out of *Seneca*,¹ that was so besotted on his wife, he could not endure a moment out of her company, he wore her scarfe when he went abroad next his heart, and would never drinke but in that cup she began first. Wee haue many such fondlings that are their wiues packhorses and slaues, to carry her muffle, dog, and fanne, let her weare the breeches, lay out, spend, and doe what shee will, goe whether she will, they giue consent.

Here take my muffle, and doe you heare good man,

Now giue me Pearle, and carry you my fanne, &c.

These offend in one extreame, but too hard & too seuer are far more offensive on the other. Another iust cause may bee long absence of either party, when they must of necessity bee much from home, as Lawyers, Phylitians, Marriners, by their professions, or otherwise make friuolous impertinent journeyes, and tarry long abroad to no purpose, vpon small occasions, it must needs yeeld matter of suspicion; when they vse their wiues otherwise vkindly, and neuer tarry at home, it cannot choose but ingender some such conceit.

q Vxor si cessas amare te cogitat,

Aut tete amari aut potare, aut animo obsequi,

Et tibi bene esse soli, quum sibi sit male.

If thou be absent long, thy wife then thinkes,

Th'art drunke, at ease, or with some pretty minkes,

'Tis well with thee, or else beloued of some,

Whil'st shee poore soule doth fare full ill at home.

Hippocrates the Phylitian had a smacke of this disease, for when hee was to goe from home, as farre as *Abdera*, and some other remote citties of *Greece*, he writ to his friend *Dionysius* (if at least those² Epistles be his) to ouersee his wife in his absence, although she liued in the house with her father and mother, whom he knew would haue a care of her, yet that would not satisfie his ielousie, he would haue his especiall friend *Dionysius* to dwell in his house with her, all the time of his peregrination, and to obserue her behaviour, how shee carried her selfe in her husbands absence, and that she did not lust after other men.³ For a woman had need to haue an overseer to keepe her honest, they are bad by nature, and lightly giuen all, and if they bee not curbed in time, as an unpruned tree, they will be full of wild branches, and degenerate of a sudden. Especially in their husbands absence, though one *Lucretia* were trusty, and one *Penelope*, yet *Clytemnestra* made *Agamemnon* cuckold, and no question there bee too many other conditions. If their husbands tarry too long abroad vpon vnecessary businesse, well they may suspect; or if they flye one way, their wiues at home will flye out another, *Quid pro quo*. Or if present, and giue them not that content which they ought,⁴ *Primum ingrata, mox inuise noctes que per somnum transiguntur*, They cannot endure to lye alone, or to fast long.⁵ *Peter Godefridus* in his second booke of lone and sixt chapter, hath a story out of *S^t Antonies* life, of a Gentleman, that by that good mans aduise, would not meddle with his wife in the passion weeke, but for his paines shee set a paire of hornes on his head. Such another he hath out of *Abstemius*, one per-

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¹ *Calcegius*
Apol. Tiberini
ab uxorum par-
tu earum vices
subeunt, ut aues
per vices incu-
bant, &c.

² *Exiturus*
fascia uxoris pe-
ctus alligabat,
ne momento
praesentia eius
sacere poterat,
potius non hau-
diebat nisi pre-
gustatum labris
eius.

³ *Ter. Adelp.*
Act 1. sc. 1.

⁴ *Fab. Caluo.*
Rauennate in-
terprete.

⁵ *Dum rediero*
domum meam
habitabis, & li-
cet cum parenti-
bus habiter, hac
mea peregrina-
tione, cum tamē
eius mores
obseruabis, ut
absentia viri su-
probe deget, nec
alios viros cogi-
ter aut querat.
⁶ *Femina sem-*
per custode eget
qui se pudicam
contineat, suap-
re enim natura
acutius in-
tas habet, quas
nisi in dies com-
primat, ut arbo-
res *Solones* emi-
tunt, &c.

⁷ *Hensius.*

⁸ *Vxor cuius-*
dam nobilis quā
debitum mari-
tale sacra passio-
nis hebdomada
non obtineret,
alterum adiit.

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Ne tribus
prioribus nobili-
bus rem habe-
ret cum ea, ut
esset in pecori-
bus fortunatus,
ab uxore more
impaciente &c.
Totam nocte n-
bene & pudice
nemini molestus
dormiendo tran-
segit, ma e aute
quon nullius
conscius facino-
ris sibi esset, &
ine rie pueret;
audisse se aiebat
cum dolore cal-
culi solere eam
constitari. Duo
praecepta iuris
una nocte ex-
pressit, neminem
leserai & hone-
ste vixerat, sed
an suum cuiq;
reddidisset que-
ri poterat, Mu-
tius opinor &
Trebatius hoc
negassent.

Asterius loci
emendationem
serio optabat,
quem corruptum
esse ille non in-
venit.

Such ano-
ther tale is in
Melander de To-
coseris his first
tale.

Lib. 2. epist. 3.
Si pergit alienis
negotys operam
dare: sui negli-
gens, erit alius

mibi orator qui
rem meam agat
Ovid. rara est
concordia firmas
arg. pudicitie.

† pist.
Quod stride-
ret eius calcea-
mentum.

De uxoria
lib. 1. cap. 5.

swaded a new married man, & to forbear the three first nights, and hee should
all his life time after be fortunate in cattle, but his impatient wife would not
tarry so long: well he might speed in cattle, but not in children. Such a tale
tath *Hersius* of an impotent and slacke scholler, a meere student and a friend
of his, that seeing by chance a fine damsell sing and dance, would needs mar-
ry her, the match was soone made, for he was rich. ² The first night, hauing
liberally taken his liquor (as in that countrey they doe) my fine scholler was
so fussed, that he no sooner was laid in bed, but hee fell fast asleepe, and neuer
waked till morning, and then much abashed, he made an excuse, I know not
what, out of *Hippocrates Cous*, &c. and for that time it went currant, but when
as after ward he did not play the man as he should doe, she fell in league with
a good fellow, and whilst hee sate vp late at his study about his Criticisnes,
mending some hard places in *Festus* or *Pollux*, and came cold to bed, & would
tell her still what he had done, shee did not much regard what hee said, &c.
^a She would haue another matter mended much rather, which hee did not per-
ceane was corrupt: thus he continued at his study late, she at her sport, hating
all schollers for his sake, till at length hee began to suspect, and turne a little
yellow, as well he might; for it was his owne fault, and if men bee ielalous in
such cases (^b as oft it falls out) the mends is in their owne hands, they must
thanke themselues. A Lawyers wife in ** Aristanetus*, because her husband
was negligent in his businesse, quando lecto danda opera, threatned to cornute
him: and did not sticke to tell *Philinna* one of her gossips as much, and that
aloud for him to heare; If he follow other mens matters and leaue his owne, Ile
haue an Orator shall plead my cause, I care not if he knowe it.

A third eminent cause of ielousie may be this, when he that is deformed,
hirsute, ragged, vertuously giuen, will marry some very faire nice peece, or
some light huswife, he beginnes to misdoubt (as well he may) shee doth not
affect him. ^c *Lis est cum formâ magna pudicitia*. Beauty and honesty haue euer
beene at oddes. *Abraham* was ielalous of his wife because shee was faire; so
was *Vulcan* of his *Venus*, when he made her creeking shooes, saith *Philos-
tratus*, ne macharetur. *sandalio scilicet deferente*, That hee might heare by them
when she stirred, which *Mars indignè ferre*, ^{*} was not well pleased with.
Good cause had *Vulcan* to doe as he did, for shee was no honeste then shee
should be. Your fine faces haue commonly this fault, and it is hard to finde,
saith *Francis Philelphus* in an epistle of his to *Saxola* his friend, a rich man ho-
nest, a proper woman not proud or vnchast. Can shee bee faire and honest too?
He that marries a wife that is snout faire alone, let him looke, saith *Barbarus*
for no better successe, then *Vulcan* had with *Venus*, or *Claudius* with *Messali-
na*. And 'tis impossible almost in such cases thy wife should containe, or the
goodman not be ielalous, for when he is so farre defectiue, ill proportioned,
vnpleasing in those parts which women most affect, and she most absolutely
faire on the other side, if she be not very vertuously giuen, how can she loue
him, and although she bee not faire, yet if he admire her and thinke her so, in
his conceit she is absolute, he holds it vnpossible for any man liuing not to
dote as he doth, to looke on her and not lust, not to couet, and if he be in cō-
pany with her, not to lay siege to her honesty: or else out of a deepe appre-
hension of his infirmities, deformities, & other mens good parts, he suspects
she cannot affect him, or be not so kinde and louing as she should, shee cer-
tainely

tainely loues some other man better then himselfe.

^e *Nenianus lib. 4. num. 72.* Will haue barrenesse to be a maine cause of Ielousie. If her husband cannot play the man, some other shall, they will leaue no remedies vnassaid, and thereupon the good man growes jealous, I could giue an instance, but be it as it is.

J find this reason giuen by some men, because they haue beene formerly naught themselves, they think they shall be so serued by others: they shall haue *legem talionis*, like for like.

^f *Ipse miser docui, quo posset ludere pacto
Custodes, eheu nunc premor arte mea,
Wretch as J was, I taught her bad to be,
And now mine owne slye trickes are put vpon me.*

Mala mens, malus animus, as the saying is, ill dispositions cause ill suspicions.

^g *There is none ielous I durst pawne my life,
But he that hath defil'd anothers wife,
And for that he himselfe hath gone astray,
He straightway thinks his wife will tread that way.*

To these aboue-named causes, I may very well annexe those circumstances of time, place, persons, by which it ebbes and flowes, as ^h *Vives* very well obserues, & such like accidents or occasions, proceeding from the parties themselves or others, which much aggrauate and intend this suspicious humour. For many men are so lasciuiously giuen, either out of a depraued nature, or too much liberty, which they doe assume vnto themselves, by reason of their greatnesse, in that they are noble men, though their owne wiues be neuer so faire, noble, vertuous, honest, wise, and well giuen, they must haue change.

ⁱ *Qui cum legitimi iunguntur fœdere lecti,
Virtute egregijs, facieq; domoq; puellis,
Scorta tamen, fedaq; lupas in fornice querunt,
Et per adulterium nova carpere gaudia tentant.*

Who being match'd to wiues most vertuous,
Noble and faire, slye out lasciuious.

Quod licet ingratum est, that which is ordinary, is vnpleasant. *Nero* (saith *Tacitus*) abhorred *Octavia* his owne wife, a noble vertuous Lady, & loued *Acte* a base queane in respect.

— *tanta est alienâ in messe voluptas*, or that ^k *stolne waters be more pleasant*, or as *Vitellius* the Emperour was wont to say, *lucundiores amores, qui cum periculo habentur*, like stolne Venison that is still the sweetest, is Loue, which is most difficultly attained; they like better to hunt by stealth in another mans walke, then to haue the fairest course that may be at game of their owne.

^l *Aspice ut in cælo modò sol modò luna ministrat,
Sic etiam nobis una puella parum est.*

As Sunne and Moone in Heauens change their course.

So they change Loues, though often to the worse.

Or that some faire obiect so forcibly moues them, they cannot containe themselves, be it heard or scene, they will be at it. ⁺ *Neptune* saw by chance that *Thessalian Tyro*, *Ennippus* wife, he forthwith in the fury of his lust, counterfeited her husbands habit, and made him cuckold. *Tarquine* heard *Collatine* commend his wife, and was so farre enraged, that in midst of the night

^e *Cum steriles
sunt, ex imitati-
one viri se pu-
tant concipere.*

^f *Tibullus eleg. 6*

^g *Withers Sax.*

^h *3. de Animâ.
Crescit ac de-
crescit zelotypia
ex personis, locis,
temporibus, ne-
gotijs.*

ⁱ *Marullus.*

^k *Prov. 9. 17.*

^l *Propert. Eleg. 2*

⁺ *Lucian. Tom. 5*

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to her he went. Great men are most part thus affected all, as an horse they neigh, saith *Jeremiah*, after their neighbours wiues, and if they be in company of other women, though in their owne wiues presence, they must bee dallying with them. *Iano* in *Lucian*, complaines of *Inpiter*, that he was still kissing *Ganymede* before her face, which did not a little offend her.

Seneca.

Lib. 2. cap. 23.

Or that they care little for their owne wiues, or feare no Lawes, they dare freely keepe whores at their wiues noses. Tis too frequent with noble men to be dishonest, *Pietas, probitas, fides, privata bona sunt*, as he said long since, piety, chastity, and such like, are for priuate men. Great personages will familiarly fly out in this kind, and yeeld occasion of offence. *Montaigne* in his *Es* sayes, giues instance in *Cesar*, *Mahomet* the Turke, that sacked *Constantinople*, and *Ladislaus* king of *Naples*, that besieged *Florence*: great men, & great souldiers, are commonly great &c. *Mars* and *Venus* are equally ballanced in their actions.

† *Petroneus* *Cal.*

† *Militis in galea nidum fecere columba,*
Apparet Marti quam sit amica Venus.

A Doue within an head-piece made her nest,
Twixt *Mars* and *Venus* see an Interest.

Cesar, saith *Curio* in *Sueton*, was *omnium mulierum vir*, hee made loue to *Eno* noe Queene of *Mauritania*, to *Cleopatra*, to *Posthumia* wife to *Sergius Sulpitius*, to *Lollia* wife to *Gabinus*, to *Tertulla* of *Crassus*, and to *Matia* *Pompie's* wife, and I know not how many besides: Euery priuate history will yeeld such variety of instances: Otherwise good, wise, discreet men, vertuous and valiant, but too faulty in this. *Philippus bonus* left 14 bastards, *Laurence Medices* a good Prince, and a wise, but, saith *Machiauel*, prodigiously lasciuious. None so valiant as *Castrucius Castrucianus*, but as the Author hath it, & none so incontinent as he was. And 'tis not onely predominant in *Grandies* this fault, but if you will take a great mans Testimony, 'tis familiar with euery common souldier in *France* (and elsewhere I thinke.) *This vice* (* saith mine Author) *is so common with vs in France, that he is of no account, a meere coward, not worthy the name of a souldier, that is not a notorious whore master.* In *Italy* he is not a Gentleman, that besides his wife hath not a Curtisan and a Mistris. Tis no maruaile then, if poore women in such cases be icalous, when they shall see themselves manifestly neglected, and their disloyall husbands to entertaine others in their roomes, and many times to court Ladies to their faces, other mens wiues to weare their jewels, how shall a poore woman in such a case moderate her passions?

† *Pontius* *Heu-*
ter vita eius.

† *Lib. 8. Flor.*

† *hist. Dux omni-*
um optimus et
sapientissimus,
sed in re venerat
prodigiosus.

† *Vita Castruc-*
cij. Idem uxores
mariti abalie-
navit.

† *Sesellius lib. 2.*
de repub. Gallo-

rum. Ita nunc
apud infimos

obtinuit hoc vi-
tium, ut nullius

ferè pretij sit, et
ignavus miles,

qui non in scor-
tatione maxime

excellat, et a-
dultero.

† *Virg. Æn. 4.*

† *Epig. 9. lib. 4.*

† *Quis tibi tunc Dido cernenti talia sensus?*

How on the other side shall a poore man containe himselfe from this ferall malady, when hee shall see so manifest signes of his wiues inconstancy? when as like *Milo's* wife, shee dotes vpon euery young man shee sees, or as * *Martials* *Sota* ----- *deserto sequitur Clitum marito.* Though her husband be proper and tall, faire and lovely to behold, able to giue contentment to any one woman, yet she will taste of the forbidden fruit, *Iuvenals* *Iberina* to an haire, she is as well pleased with one eye, as one man. If a yong Gallant come by chance into her presence, a *Fastidius* *Briske*, that can weare his clothes well in fashion, with a locke, a gingling spurre, a feather, that can cringe, and withall complement, court a Gentlewoman, she raues vpon him, *What a lovely proper man he was*, how sweetly he carried himselfe, with how comely

comely a grace, *sic valens, sic ora ferebat*, how neatly he did weare his clothes, discourse, sing and dance, &c. and then she beginnes to loath her husband, to hate him & his filthy beard, his gotish complexion, how like a dizard, a foole, an asse he lookes, how like a Clowne he behaues himselfe. So did *Lucretia* a Lady of *Sena*, after she had but seene *Eurialus*, *In Eurialum tota ferebatur, domum reversa, &c.* she would not hold her eyes off him in his presence,

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Aeneas Silvius

* *tantum egregio decus enitet ore.*

and in his absence could thinke of none but him, *odit virum*, shee loathed her husband forthwith, could not abide him.

Virg. 4. En.

† *Et coniugaliu negligens tori, viro**Præsente, acerbo nauseat fastidio.*

† E. Græco Silvius.

All against the Lawes of Matrimony,

She did abhorre her husbands *Phisnomy*.

and sought all opportunity to see her sweet-heart againe. Now when the good man shall obserue his wife so lightly giuen, to be so free & familiar with euery gallant, her immodesty and wantonnesse (as *Camerarius* notes) it must needes yeeld matter of suspition to him, when shee still pranks vp her selfe beyond her meanes and fortunes, and so frequently goes to playes, masks, feasts, and all publike meetings, and shall vse such immodest^u gestures, free speeches, and withall shew some distaste of her owne husband; how can hee chuse, though he were another *Socrates*, but be suspicious & instatly iealous? More especially, when he shall take notice of their more secret & sly tricks, which to cornute their husbands they commonly vse, they pretend loue, honour, chastity, and seeme to respect them before all men liuing, Saints in shew, so cunningly can they dissemble, they will not so much as looke vpon another man, in his presence, † so chaste, so religious, and so deuoute, they can not endure the name or sight of a queane, an harlotte, out vpon her, and in their outward carriage are most louing and officious, and will kisse their husbands, & hang about his necke (deare husband, sweet husband) and with a composed countenance, salute him, especially when he comes home, or if he goe from home, weepe, sigh, lament, & take vpon them to be sicke & swoun, (like *Iocundo's* wife in *Ariosto*, when her husband was to depart) and yet ar-

* Cont. 2. cap. 38.
Oper. subcis. mulieris liberius & familiaris communicantia cum omnibus licentia & immodestia, sinistri sermonis & suspitionis materiam viro prebet.

^u Voces liberae, oculorum colloquia, contrectationes parum verecunde, motus immodici, &c.

Hensius.
† What is here said, is not preiudiciall to honest women.

* Lib. 28. f. 13

Aye me the thought (quoth she) makes me so fraid,

That scarce the breath abideth in my brest,

Peace my sweet loue and wife, *Iocundo* said,

And weepes as fast, and comforts her his best, &c.

All this might not assuage the womans paine,

Needs must I dye before you come againe,

Nor how to keepe my life can I deuise,

The dolefull dayes and nights I shall sustaine,

From meat my mouth, from sleepe will keep mine eyes, &c.

That very night that went before the morrow,

That he had pointed surely to depart,

Iocundo's wife was sicke, and swoun'd for sorrow,

Amid his armes, so beauey was her heart.

And yet for all these counterfeite teares and protestations, *Iocundo* comming backe in all haste for a Jewell he had forgot,

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¹ Dial. Amor.
Pendet fallax
& blanda circa
oscula mariti,
quem in cruce, si
feri posset, deos-
culari velit. Illi-
us vitam charis-
simam esse sua in-
reuerendo affir-
mat: quam certe
non redimeret a-
nimam, catelli se
posset.

² Aduent tem-
plum, ut rem di-
uinam audiant,
ut ipse simulant,
sed vel ut Mo-
nachum, fratrem,
vel adulterum
lingua, oculis, ad
libidinem provo-
cent.

³ Lib. 4. num. 8. E
Ipse sibi persua-
dent, quod adul-
terium cum
Principe vel cum
Praefule, non est
pudor nec pecca-
tum.

⁴ Deum rogat
non pro salute
mariti, filii, cog-
nati, vota susci-
pit, sed pro redi-
tu mechis abest,
pro valetudine
lenius si egro-
tet.

⁵ Tibullus.
⁶ Gotardus Ar-
thus descript. lu-
die Orient.
Linceo often.

⁷ Garcias ab
Horto hist. lib. 2.
cap. 24. Datuā
berbam vocat
& describit.

Tam proclives
sunt ad venerem
mulieres, ut viros
inebrient per 24
horas, liquore
quodam, ut nihil
videant, recor-
dentur, at dor-
miant, & post
lotionem pedum,
ad se restituant,
&c.

Aristo.

⁸ Lib. 28. ft. 75

⁹ Lipsius polit.

His chaste and yoke-fellow be found
Tol'd with a knave, all honesty neglected,
Th' adulterer sleeping very sound,
Yet by his face was easily detected,
A beggars brat bred by him from his cradle,
And now was riding on his masters saddle.

Thus can they cunningly counterfeit, as y Platina describes their customes, and kisse their husbands, whom they had rather see hanging on the Gallows, and swear they loue them dearer then their owne liues, whose soule they would not ransom for their little dogges. Many of them seeme to be precise & holy forsooth, & will goe to such a Church, to heare such a good Man by all meanes, an excellent man, when 'tis for no other intent (as he followes it) then to see & to be scene, to obserue what fashions are in vse, to meet some Pandar, Bawd, Monke, Frier, or to entise some goodfellow. For they perswade themselves, as a Neuisanus shewes, That 'tis neither sinne nor shame to lye with a Lord or a parish Priest, if he be a proper man: and though she kuele often, and pray deuoutly, 'tis (saith Platina) not for her husbands welfare, or childrens good, or any friend, but for her sweet-hearts returne, her Panders health. If her husband would haue her goe, she faines her selfe sicke, Et simulat subito condoluisse caput: her head akes, and she cannot stirre: but if her Paramour aske as much, she is for him at all seasons, at all houres of the night. In the kingdome of Malabar, and about Goa in the East Indies, the women are so subtile, that with a certaine drinke they giue them, to driue away cares, as they say, They will make them sleepe for 24 houres, or so intoxicate them, that they can remember nought of that they saw done, or heard, and by washing of their feet, restore them againe, and so make their husbands Cuckolds to their faces. But as he said,

¶ No penne could write, no tongue attaine to tell,

By force of eloquence, or helpe of Art,

Of womens treacheries the hundreth part.

Both, to say truth, are often faulty, Men and Women giue iust occasions in this humour of discontent, aggravate & yeeld matter of suspition: but most part the chiefe causes proccede from other adventitious accidents, and circumstances, though the parties be free, and both well giuen themselves. The vndiscreet carriage of some lasciuious gallant (& contra of some light woman) by his often frequenting of an house, and bold vnseemely gestures, may make a breach, and by his ouer familiarity, if hee be inclined to yellownesse, colour him quite out. If he be poore, basely borne, saith Benedetto Varchi, and otherwise vnhandsome, hee suspects him the lesse; but if a proper man, well descended, commendable for his good parts, hee taketh on the more, and watcheth his doings. Theodosius the Emperour, gaue his wife Eudoxia a golden apple when he was a suter to her, which shelong after bestowed vpon a yong Gallant in the Court, of her especiall acquaintance. The Emperour espying this apple in his hand, suspected forthwith, more then was, his wifes dishonesty, banished him the Court, and from that day following, forbare to accompany her any more. Now when those other circumstances of time & place, opportunity & importunity shall concur, what will they not effect?

Faire opportunity can winne the coyest shee that is,
So wisely he takes time, as hee'l be sure he will not misse:

Then

Then he that loues her gamesome veine, and tempers toys with Art,
Brings Loue that swimmeth in her eyes, to diue into her heart.

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As at Playes, Maskes, great Feasts and banquetts, one singles out his wife to dance, another courts her in his presence, a third tempts her, &c. and then as he saith,

She may no while in chastity abide,
That is assaide on euery side.

Chaucer.

And after a great feast, *Vino sapè suum nescit amica virum.*

Noah (saith Hierome) shewed his nakednesse in his drunkenesse, which for six hundred yeares he had covered in sobernesse. Lot lay with his daughters in his drinke.

* *quid enim Venus ebria curat?*

The most continent may be ouercome, or if otherwise they keepe bad company, they that are modest of themselves, and dare not offend, confirmed by others, grow impudent and confident, and get an ill habite. Or if they dwell in suspected places, as in an infamous Inn, neere some Stewes, neere Monkes, Friers, Neuisanus addes, where bee many temptors and sollicitors, idle persons that frequent their companies, it may giue iust cause of suspicion. *Encas Silvius* puts in a caveat against Princes Courts, because there be too many *iuvenes qui promittunt* so many braue suters to tempt, &c. If you leaue her in such a place, you shall likely finde her in company you like not, either they come to her, or she is gone to them. *Kornmannus* makes a doubting iest in his lasciuious Country, *Virginis illibata censeatur ne castitas ad quam frequenter accedant scholares?* And *Baldus* the Lawyer scoffes on, *quum scholaris, inquit, loquitur cum puella, non presumitur ei dicere, Pater noster, When a Scholler talks with a maide, or another mans wife in private, it is presumed he saith not a Pater noster.* These are the ordinary causes of lealousie, which are intended or remitted as the circumstances vary.

Titulius

† Epist. 89. ad

Oceanum. Ad

milius hore ebri-

tatem nudat se

mora, que per

sexcentos annos

sobrietate con-

tulerat.

* Iuuenal Sat.

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† Nihil audent

primò, post ab a-

liis confirmate,

audaces & con-

fidentes sunt. V-

bi semel vere-

cundie limites

transierint.

† De miser. Cu-

rialium. Aut a-

lium cum ea in-

uenies, aut isse

ad alium repe-

ries.

† Cap. 18. de

Ving.

MEMB. 2. SUBJECT. I.

Symptomes of lealousie, feare, sorrow, suspicion, strange actions,
gestures, outrages, locking vp, oathes, trials, Lawes, &c.

Of all passions, as I haue already proued, Loue is most violent, and of all those bitter potions which this Loue Melancholy affords, Jealousie is the greatest, as appeares by those prodigious Symptomes which it hath and effects, that it produceth. For besides that Feare & Sorrow, which is common to all melancholy, anxiety of minde, restless thoughts, palenesse, leannesse, meagernesse, neglect of businesse, and the like, these men are farther yet misaffected, and in an higher strain. Tis a more vehement passion, a more furious perturbation, a bitter paine, a fire, madnesse, plague, hell: They are more then ordinarily disquieted, more then ordinarily suspicious. Jealousie, saith *K. Vives*, begets vnquietnesse in the mind, night & day: he hunts after euery word he heares, euery whisper, & amplifies it to himselfe (as all melancholy men doe in other matters) with a most iniust calumny of others, he misinterprets euery thing is said or done, most apt to mistake and misconster, he pryces in euery corner, followes close, obserues to an haire. Tis proper to Jealousie so to doe, Pale hag, infernall fury, pleasures smart,
Envies obseruer, prying in euery part.

k3. De animâ.

Omnes voces,

auras, omnes su-

surros capiat ze-

lotypus, & am-

plificat apud se

cum iniquissimâ

de singulis ca-

lumniâ.

Maximè suspiti-

os, & ad peiora

credendum pro-

clives.

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Besides all those strange gestures of staring, frowning, grinning, rolling of eyes, menacing, gastly looks, broken pace, interrupt, precipitate, halfe turnes, He will sometimes sigh, weepe, sob for anger, sweare and belye, slander any man, curse, threaten, brawle, scold; and sometimes againe flatter, and speake faire, aske forgiuenesse, and then againe, impatient as he is, raue, and lay about him like a mad man, accusing & suspecting not strangers onely, but Brothers and Sisters, Father and Mother, nearest and dearest friends. He thinkes with those Italians,

Chi non tocca parentado,

Tocca mai erado.

And through feare, conceaues vnto himselfe things almost incredible and impossible to bee effected. As an Hearne when he fishes, still prying on all sides; or as a cat doth a mouse, his eye is neuer off hers, he glotes on him, on her, accurately obseruing on whom shee lookes, who looks at her, what she saith, doth, at dinner, at supper, sitting, walking, at home, abroad, hee is the same, still enquiring, mandring, gazing, listning, affrighted with euery small object. As he confesseth in the Poet,

Propertius.

Omnia me terrent, timidus sum, ignosce timori,

Et miser in tunica suspicor esse virum.

Me ledit si multa tibi dabit oscula mater,

Me soror, & cum qua dormit amica simul.

Each thing affrights me, I doe feare,

Ah pardon me my feare,

I doubt a man is hid within

The cloathes that thou dost weare.

Is't not a man in womans apparell, is not some body in that great chest, or behind the doore, or hangings, or in some of those barrels? May not a man come in at the window with a ladder of ropes, or come downe the chimney, or haue a false key, or come in when he is asleepe? If a Mouse doe but stirre, or the wind blow, a casement clatter, that's the villain, there he is, by his good will, no man shall see her, salute her, speake with her, she shall not goe forth of his sight, so much as to doe her needes. *Non ita bovem Argus, &c. Argus* did not so keepe his Cow, that watchfull dragon the golden fleece, or *Cerberus* the comming in of Hell, as hee keepes his wife. If the necessity of his businesse be such, that he must goe from home, hee doth either locke her vp, or commit her with a deale of iniunctions and protestations, to some trusty friends, him and her hee sets and bribes to ouersee; and yet all this will not serue, though his businesse be very vrgent, he will when he is halfe way, come backe againe in all post haste, rise from supper, or at midnight, and bee gone, and sometimes leaue his businesse vndone. Though there be no danger at all, no cause of suspicion, shee liue in such a place, where *Messalina* her selfe could not be dishonest if shee would, yet hee suspects her as much as if shee were in a bawdy house, or some Princes Court, or in a common Inne, where all commers might haue free acceffe. No perswasion, no protestation can diuert this passion, nothing can ease him, secure or giue him satisfaction. It is most strange to report what outrageous acts by men and women haue been committed in this kinde, by women especially, that will runne after their husbands into all places, all companies, as *Iouianus Pontanus* wife did by him, follow him whither soeuer he went, it matters not, or vpon what busi-
nesse

Bene Silv.

Ant. dial. 1

nesse, rauing like *Iuno* in the Tragedy, cursing, swearing, and mistrusting euery one she sees. *Gomesius* sometime Archbishop of *Toledo*, hath a strange story of that incredible Iealousie of *Isane* Queene of *Spaine*, wife to King *Philip*, and mother of *Ferdinand*, and *Charles* the 5. Emperours; when her husband *Philip*, either for that hee was tyred with his wifes Iealousie, or had some great businesse, went into the Low-countries; shee was so impatient & melancholy vpon his departure, that she would scarce eat her meat, or converse with any man; and though she were with childe, and the season of the yeare very bad, the winde against her, in all haste shee would to sea after him. Neither *Isabella* her Queene mother, or the Archbishop, or any other friend could perswade her to the contrary, but she would after him. When she was now come into the Low-countries, and kindly entertained by her husband, she could not containe her selfe, ^o but in her rage ranne vpon a yellow hair'd wench, with whom she suspected her husband to be naught, cut off her haire, and did beat her blacke and blew, and so dragged her about. It is an ordinary thing for women in such cases, to scrat the faces, slit the noses of such as they suspect; as *Henry* the Seconds importune *Iuno*, did by *Rosamund* at *Woodstocke*: for she complaines in a † moderne Poet, she scarce spake,

But flies with eager fury to my face,
 Offring me most vnwomanly disgrace,
 Looke how a tigresse, &c.
 So fell she on me in outragious wise,
 As could Disdaine and Iealousie deuise.

Or if it be so they dare not or cannot execute any such tyrannicall iniustice, they will raile and reuile them, beare them deadly hate and malice, as *P Tacitus* obserues, *The hatred of a iealous woman is inseparable against such as shee suspects.*

* *Nulla vis flammæ, tumidique, venti
 Tanta, nec teli metuenda torti,
 Quanta quum coniux viduata tædis
 Ardet & odit.*

Windes, weapons, flames make not such hurly burly,
 As rauing women turne all topsie turuy.

So did *Agrippina* by *Lollia*, and *Calphurnia* in the dayes of *Claudius*. But women are sufficiently curbed in such cases, the rage of men is more eminent, and more frequently put in practise. See but with what rigour those iealous husbands tyrannize ouer their poore wiues. In *Greece*, *Spaine*, *Italy*, *Turkie*, *Africke*, *Asia*, and generally ouer all those hot countries, they locke them vp still, and will suffer no body to come at them, or their wiues to come abroad, and if they be great persons they haue *Eunuchs* to keepe them, as the *Grand Senior* amongst the *Turkes*, the *Sophies* of *Persia*, those *Tartarian Mogors*, & *Kings of China*. *Infantes masculos castrant innumeros, ut regi seruiant*, saith *Riccius*, they geld innumerable infants to this purpose, the King of *China* maintaines 10000. *Eunuchs* in his family to keepe his wiues. The *Xeriffes* of *Barbary* keepe their *Curtesans* in such strict manner, that if any man come but in sight of them he dies for it, and if they chance to see a man, & doe not instantly cry out, though out at their windowes, they must be put to death. The vulgar sort of women, if at any time they come abroad, which is very seldome, to visite one another, or to goe to their *Bathes*, are so couered that

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v. Errato

o *Rabie concepta, caesariem abrasit, puellæq; miserabiliter insultans, faciem vibicibus sedauit.*

† *Daniel.*

P *Amal. lib. 12. Principis mulieris zelotypæ est in aliis mulieres quas suspectas habet, odium inseparabile.*

* *Seneca in Medea.*

q *Expedir in Sinas, l. 3. c. 9. Decem Eunuchorum milia numerantur in regia familia, qui seruant uxores eius.*

[†] Semotas à vi-
vis seruant in in-
terioribus, ab eo-
rum conspectu
inimicos.

[†] Lib.1. fol.7.

^u Disruptiones
hymenis sepe fi-
unt à proprijs di-
gitis vel ab alijs
instrumentis.
^x Idem Rhafis
Arab. cont.

[†] Epist. 6. Me-
tello Inter.

Ego docebo te,
qui mulier ante
nuptias sponso te
prober virginem

[†] Qui mulierē
violasset virilia
exceabant, et
mille virgas da-
bant.

[†] Dion. Halicar.

no man can see them, *Velat a tota incedunt*, which *Alexander ab Alexandro* relates of the *Parthians* lib. 5. cap. 24. which with *Andreas Tiraquellus* his commentator, I rather thinke should be vnderstood of *Persians*. I haue not yet said all, they doe not only lock them vp, *sed & pudendis seras adhibent*: heare what *Bembius* relates lib. 6. of his *Venetian* history, of those inhabitants that dwell about *Quiloa* in *Africke*. *Lusitani*, inquit, *quorundam ciuitates adierunt, qui natis statim feminis naturam consuunt, quoad vrina exitus ne impediatur, easq; quum adoleuerint sic consutas in matrimonium collocant, ut sponsi prima cura sit conglutinatas puellæ oras ferro interseindere*. In some parts of *Greece* at this day, like those old *Iewes*, they will not belecue their wiues are honest, *nisi pannum menstruatū primā nocte videant*, our countrey man *Sandes* in his peregrination, saith it is seuerely obserued, in *Zazynthus*, or *Zante*, and *Leo Afer* in his time at *Fez* in *Africke*, *non credunt virginem esse nisi videant sanguineam mappam, si non, ad parentes pudore reijcitur*. Those sheets are publicly shewed by their parents, and kept as a signe of incorrupt virginity. Those old *Iewes* examined their maides *ex tenui membranā*, called *Hymen*, which *Laurentius* in his *Anatomy*, *Columbus* lib. 12. cap. 16. *Capiuacius* lib. 4. cap. 11. *de uteri affectibus*, *Vincent. Alsarius Genuensis* *quest. med. cent. 4.* *Hieronymus Mercurialis* *consult. Ambros. Pareus, Iulius Caesar Claudius* *Respons. 4.* as that also de *ruptura venarum ut sanguis fluat*: copiously confute, tis no sufficient triall, they contend. And yet others againe defend it, *Gaspar Bartholinus* *Institut. Anat. lib. 1. cap. 31.* *Pineus* of *Paris*, *Albertus Magnus* *de secret. mulier. cap. 9. & 10. & c.* and thinke they speake too much in fauour of women. *Lodovicus Boncialus*, lib. 2. cap. 2. *muliebr. naturalem illam uteri labiorum constrictionem, in qua virginitatem consistere volunt, astringentibus medicinis fieri posse vendicat, et si deflorata sint, asuta mulieres* (inquit) *nos fallunt in his*. Idem *Alsarius Genuensis* *ysdem ferè verbis*. An olde bawdie nurse in *Aristenetus*, when a faire maide of her acquaintance wept & made her moane to her, how she was deflowred; and now ready to be married, was afraid it would be perceaued; comfortably replied, *Noli vereri filia, &c. seare not daughter, Ile teach thee a trick to helpe it. Sed hac extra callem*. To what end are all those Astrologically questions, *an sit virgo, an sit casta, an sit mulier*? And those strange absurd trialls in *Albertus Magnus*, *Baptista Porta*, *Mag. lib. 2. cap. 21. & wecker lib. 5. de secret.* by Stones, perfumes, to make them pisse, and confesse I knowe not what in their sleepe, some iealous braine was the first founder of them. And to what passion may wee ascribe those seuerelawes against icalousie, *Numb. 5. 14.* *Adulterers, Deut. c. 22. v. 22.* as amongst the *Hebrewes*, amongst the *Egyptians*, *Bohemus*, l. 1. c. 5. *de mor. gen.* of the *Carthaginians*, cap. 6. of *Turkes*, lib. 2. cap. 11. amongst the *Athenians* of olde, *Italians* at this day, wherein they are to bee seuerely punished, cut in peeces, burned, buried aliue, and seuerall expurgations as so many Symptomes of incredible icalousie? As for those vestall virgins to fetch water in a Cisse, as *Tatia* did in *Rome*, *Anno ab urb. condita 800.* before the Senators, and *Emilia*, *virgo innocens*, to runne ouer hot irons: as *Emma*, *Edward the Confessors* mother did, the king himselfe being a spectator, and the like. We read in *Nicephorus* that *Chunegunda* the wife of *Henricus Bavarus* Emperour, suspected of adultery, *in simulata adulterij per ignitos vomeres illa transiit*, trod vpon red hot coulter and had no harme, the like we finde in *Regino*, lib. 2. In

Auentinus

Aventinus and *Sigonius* of *Charles* the third and his wife *Richarda* An^o 887. that was so purged with hot irons. *Pausanias* saith that hee was once an eye witnesse of such a miracle at *Diana's* Temple, a maid without any harme at all walked vpon burning coales, *Pius* 2. in his description of *Europe*, cap. 46. makes mention of the same, that it was commonly vsed at *Diana's* Temple, for women to goe barefoot ouer hot coales, to try their honesties; *Plinius*, *Solinus*, and many writers make mention of *Feronias* Temple, and *Dionysius Halicarnassensis*, l. 3. of *Memmons* statue, which were vsed to this purpose, *Tacitus* lib. 6. of *Pan* his Gaue, (much like olde *S^t wilfrides* needle in *Yorkshire*) wherein they did vse to try maides, ^a whether they were honest, when *Leucippe* went in, *suauissimus exaudiri sonus cepit*. *Austin* de civ. Dei, lib. 10. c. 16. relates many such examples, all which *Lauater de spectr.* part. 1. cap. 19. contends to be done by the illusion of Diuells, though *Thomas* quest. 6. de potentia, &c. ascribe it to good angells. Some, saith ^b *Austin*, compell their wiues to sweare they be honest, as if periury were a lesser sin then adultery, ^c some consult oracles, as *Pharus* that blind king of *Egypt*. If all this will not serue, saith *Alexander Gaguinus*, cap. 5. de script. *Musconia*, the *Muscovites*, if they suspect their wiues, will beat them till they confesse, and if this will not auail, like those wild *Irish*, be diuorced at their pleasures, or else knock them on the heads. Of this tyranny of iealousie read more in *Parthenius Erot.* cap. 10. *Camerarius* cap. 53. hor. subc. 1. & cent. 2 cap. 34. *Calius* Epistles, and *Th. Chaloner* de repub. Eng. lib. 9. *Aristo* lib. 31. stasse 1. *Felix Platerus* obseruat. lib. 1. &c.

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^a Viridi gaudet
Feronia ludo.
Vrg.

^a Ismene was
sotried by Di-
ana's well, in
which maides
did swimme,
vnchast were
drowned. Eu-
statius lib. 8.

^b Contra mea-
dac. ad confess.
21. cap.

^c Pharus E.
gypti rex captus
oculis per decen-
nium, oraculum
consultat de ux-
oris pudicitia.
Herod. Euterp.

Memb. 3.

Prognosticks of iealousie, Despaire, Madnesse, to
make away themselves and others.

THose which are Jealous most part, if they bee not otherwise relieued, proceed from suspicion to hatred, from hatred to frensie, madnesse, iniury, murder and despaire.

^a A plague by whose most damnable effect
Diuerse in deepe despaire to die haue sought,
By which a man to madnesse neere is brought,
As well with causelesse as with iust suspect.

In their madnesse many times, saith ^f *Vives*, they make away themselves and others. Which makes *Cyprian* to call it *Fecundam & multiplicem perniciem*, *fontem cladum & seminarium delictorum*, a fruitfull mischiese, the seminarie of offences, and fountaine of murders. Tragicall examples are too common in this kinde, both new and old, in all ages. *Cephalus* and *Procris*, ^g *Pharus* of *Egypt*, *Tereus*, *Atrous*, and *Thiestes*. ^h *Alexander Pharens* murdered of his wife, ob pellicatus suspicionem, *Tully* saith. *Antoninus Verus* so made away by *Lucilla*, *Demetrius* the sonne of *Antigonus*, *Nicanor*, by their wiues. *Hercules* poysoned by *Deianira*. ⁱ *Cacinnus* murdered by *Vespasian*, *Iustina* a *Roman* Lady by her husband. ^k *Amestris*, *Xerxes* wife, because shee found her hus-

^d Animi dolores
& zelotypia si
diutius perseue-
rent dementes
reddunt. Acak.
conuenit in par-
art. Galeni.

^e *Aristo* lib. 31
stasse 6.

^f 3. De anima,
c. 3. de zelotyp.
transit in rabi-
em & edium, et
sibi & alijs vio-
lentas saepe ma-
nus iniungit.

^g *Pharus* E.
gypti rex de ca-
citate oraculum
consultans, visum
ei rediturum
accepit, si oculos
ablisset. lotio
mulieris, que a
liorum virorum

esset expertus, uxoris urinam expertus nihil profecit & aliarum, frustra eas omnes (ea excepta per quam curatus fuit) unum in locum ca-
abitas coniecit. Herod. Euterp. ^h *Offic.* lib. 2. ⁱ *Aurelius Victor*. ^k *Herodot.* lib. 9 in *Calliope*. *Majile* uxorem excarnificans
mamillas praescindit, easq; canibus adiecit. filiae naves praescidit, labra, linguam, &c.

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¹ Lib. 1. Dum
forma curande
intenta capilli
in sole pectit, a
marito per lusu
leniter percussa,
furtim superue-
niente virga.
Risu suborto mi
Landrice dixit,
frontem vir for-
tis pete, &c.
Marito conspe-
cto attonita, cum
Landrico mox
in eius mortem
conspirat, & sta-
tim inter venā:
dum efficit.
^m Qui Goe vx-
orem habens,
Goterinū, prin-
cipem quendam
virum quod vx-
oris sue oculos
adiecisset, inge-
ni vulnere de-
formavit in fa-
cie, & tibiam
abscidit, unde
mutue cedes.
ⁿ Ed quod in-
fans natus in-
volutus esset pā-
niculo, credebatur
eum filium fra-
tris Francisci,
&c.
^o Knowles.
^p Zelotypia re-
ginae regis mor-
tem acceleravit
paulo post, ut
Martianus me-
dicus mihi retu-
lit. Illa autem
atrā bile inde
exagitata in le-
tebras se subdu-
cens prae agri-
tudinē animi reli-
quum tempus
consumpsit.
^q A Zelotypia
vedactus ad in-
saniam & de-
sperationem.
^r Vxorem inter-
emit inde despe-
ratus ex al-
to se precipita-
vit.
^s Tollere nodo-
sa nescit medici-
na podagram.

bands cloake in *Masista* his house, cut off *Masista* his wifes pappes, and gaue them to the dogges, flead her besides, and cut off her eares, lippes, tongue, and slit the nose of *Artaynta* her daughter. Our late stories are full of such outrages. ¹ *Paulus Amilius* in his history of *France*, hath a Tragicall story of *Chilpericus* the first his death, made away by *Ferdegunde* his wife. In a ieaious humour hee came from hunting, and stole behinde his wife, as shee was dressing, and combing her head in the sunne, gaue her a familiar touch with his wand, which shee mistaking for her louer said, *Ah Landre, a good knight should strike before and not behinde*; but when she saw her selfe bewrayed by his presence, shee instantly tooke order to make him away. *Hierome Olorius* in the eleuenth booke of the Deeds of *Emmanuel King of Portugall*, to this effect hath a tragicall narration, of one *Ferdinandus Chalderia* that wounded *Gotherinus* a noble country man of his, at *Goa* in the East Indies, and cut off one of his legges, for that he looked as he thought too familiarly vpon his wife, which was afterwards a cause of many quarrells, and much bloodshed. *Guianerius* cap. 36. de agritud. matr. speakes of a silly ieaious fellowe, that seeing his child new borne included in a kell, thought sure a ⁿ *Franciscan* that vsed to come to his house, was the father of it, it was so like a *Friers* Coole, & therevpon threatned the *Frier* to kill him: *Eulgosus* of a woman in *Narbone* that cut off her husbandes priuities in the night, hecause shee thought hee plaide false with her. The story of ^o *Ionuses Bassa*, and faire *Manto* his wife, is wel known to such as haue read the *Turkish* history, and that of *Ioane of Spaine*, of which I treated in my former section. Her ieaiousie, saith *Gomesius*, was cause of both their deaths; King *Philip* died for grieffe a little after, as ^p *Martian* his Physitian gaue it out, and she for her part, after a melancholy discontented life, mispent in lurking holes and corners, made an end of her miseries. *Felix Plater* in the first booke of his obseruations, hath many such instances, of a Physitian of his acquaintance, that was first mad through ieaiousie, & afterwards desperate: ^r of a Merchant that killed his wife in the same humour, and after precipitated himselfe: Of a Doctor of law that cut of his mans nose; of a Painters wife in *Basil* A^o 1600, that had nine children, & had beene 27 yeares married, yet afterwards ieaious, and so impatient that she became desperate and would neither eat nor drinke in her owne house, for feare her husband should poyson her. *Skenkius* obseruat. lib. 4. cap. de Vter. hath an example of a ieaious woman that by this meanes had many fits of the Mother: and in his first booke of some that through ieaiousie ranne madde: of a Baker that gelled himselfe to try his wifes honesty, &c. Such examples are too common.

MEMB. 4. SVBSECT. I.

Cure of ieaiousie: by auoiding occasions, not to be idle: by good counsell: to contemne it, not to watch or looke them vp: to dissemble it, &c.

AS of all other melancholy, some doubt whether this malady may be cured or no; they thinke tis like the *Gout*, or *Suitzers*, whom wee commonly call *wallownes*, those hired souldiers, if once they take possession of a Castle, they can neuer be got out.

Qui

Qui timet vt sua sit, ne quis sibi subtrahat illam,

Ille Machaonia vix ope saluus erit.

This is that cruell wound against whose smart,

No liquors force preuailes or any plaister,

No skill of starres, no depth of Magicke art,

Denied by that great cleaerke Zoroaster,

A wound that so infects the soule and heart,

As all our sense and reason it doth master,

A wound whose pang and torment is so durable,

As it may rightly called be incurable.

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*Ariosto, lib. 3.
st. 5.*

Yet what I haue formerly said of other Melancholy, I may say againe, it may be cured or mitigated at least by some contrary passion, good counsell and perswasion, if it be withstood in the begining, maturely resisted, and as those ancient holds, ^u the nayles of it be pared before they growe too long. No better meanes to resist or expell it then by avoiding idlenesse, to bee still seriously busied about some matters of importance, to driue out those vaine feares, foolish phantasies, and irksome suspitions out of his head, & then to bee perswaded by his iudicious friends, to giue eare to their good counsel & aduice, and wisely to consider with himselfe, how much hee discredits himselfe, his friends, grieues himselfe & others, what an argument of weaknesse it is, how absurd a thing in it selfe, how ridiculous, how brutish a passion, how sottish, how odious, how harebraine, madde and furious. If hee will but heare them speake, no doubt he may be cured. * Ioane Queene of Spaine, of whom I haue formerly spoken, vnder pretense of changing ayre, was sent to *Complutum*, or *Alcada de las Heneras*, where *Ximenius* the Archbishop of *Toledo* then liued, that by his good counsell (as for the present she was) she might be eased. y For a disease of the soule, if concealed, tortures and ouerturnes it, & by no physicke can sooner be remoued then by a discreet mans comfortable speeches. I will not here insert any consolatory sentences to this purpose, or forestall any mans invention, but leaue it euery man to dilate and amplifie as he shal think fit himselfe: let him aduise with *Siracides* cap. 9. 1. and read that comfortable and pithy speech to this purpose of *Ximenius* in the author himselfe, as it is recorded by *Gomesius*, or with *Chaloner* lib. 9. de repub. Anglor. or *Celia* in her Epistles, &c. Only this I will adde, that if it bee considered aright, this which causeth this ielalous passion, bee it iust or vniust, whether with or without cause, true or false, it ought not so haynously to be taken; tis no such reall or capitall matter, that it should make so deep a wound. Tis a blowe that hurts not, an insensible smart, grounded many times vpon false suspicion alone, & so fostered by a sinister conceit. If she be not dishonest, he troubles and macerates himselfe without a cause, or put case which is the worst, he be a Cuckold, it cannot be helped, the more he stirres in it, the more hee aggrauates his owne miseries. How much better in such a case to dissemble or contemn it, why should that be feared which cannot be redressed, *multi tandem deposuerunt* (saith ^z *Vives*) *quum flecti maritos non posse vident*. Many women

^u *Veteres matu-
rè suadent vna-
gues amoris esse
radandos, prius-
quam produ-
cant se nimis.*

* *Gomesius lib.
3. de reb. gestis
Ximenii.
y Vrit enim
præcordia agri-
tudo animi com-
pressa, & in an-
gustias adducta
mentem subuer-
tit, nec alio me-
dicamine faci-
us erigitur, quàm
cordati hominis
sermone.*

^z *De anima.*

Solamen miseris socios habuisse doloris.

Who can say he is free?

Who can assure himselfe he is not one *de præterito*, or secure himselfe *de fu-*

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Lib. 3.

^b Argetocoxi
Caledonij Reguli
uxor, Julia Au-
gusta cum ipsam
morderet quod
in boneste versa-
retur, respondet
nos cum optimis
viris consuetu-
dinem habemus,
vos Romanas
autem occulte
passim homines
constuprant.

^c Leges de me-
chis fecit, ex ci-
uibus plures in
ius vocati.

^d Lib. 3. Epig. 26

^e Affer. Arthu-
ri, parcerem li-
benter heroina-
rum lese maie-
stat, si non hi-
storis veritas
aurem vellica-
ret. Leland.

^f Cogita an sic
alijs tu unquam
feceris, an hoc
tibi nunc fieri
dignum sit; se-
verus alijs, in-
dulgens tibi, cur
ab uxore exis
quod non ipso
prestat? Plutar.
^g Vagabundus
cum ipse quous
capiaris, cur si
vel modicum ab-
erret ipsa, insa-
nias.

^h Ariosto lib.
28. stasse. 80.

turo? If it were his case alone it were hard, but being as it is almost a commo calamity, 'tis not so grievously to be taken. In some countries they make no- thing of it, *ne nobilis quidem*, saith ^a Leo Afer, in some parts of *Africke*, if shee be past fourteene, there's not a Noble man that marries a maid, or that hath a chaste wife, 'tis so common. And as that *Caledonian Lady*, ^b *Argetocoxus* a *Brittish* Prince his wife, told *Julia Augusta*, when shee tooke her vp for disho- nesty, *We Brittaines are naught at least with some few choice men of the better sort, but you Romanes lye with euery base knaue, you are a company of common whores.* *Severus* the Emperour in his time made lawes for the restraint of this vice, and as ^c *Dion Nicaeus* relates in his life, *tria millia mechorum*, three thousand Cuckold makers, or *natura monetam adulterantes*, as ^d *Philo* calls them, false coyners, and clippers of Natures money, were summoned into the Court at once. And yet, *Non omnem moliter que fluit unda videt*, the Miller sees not all the water that goes by his mill, no doubt but as in our dayes, these were of the commonalty all, the great ones were not so much as called in question for it. And ^d *Martial's* Epigram might haue beene ge- nerally applied in those licentious times, *Omnia solus habes, &c.* thy goods, lands, mony, wits are thy owne, *Vxorem sed habes Candida cum populo*, but neighbour *Candidus* your wife is common. Husband and Cuckold in that age it seemes were reciprocall termes, the Emperours themselues did weare *Atheons* badge; how many *Casars* might I reckon vp together, and what a Catalogue of cornuted kings and princes in euery story? *Agamemnon*, *Mene- laus*, *Philippus* of Greece, *Ptolomeus* of Egypt, *Lucullus*, *Cesar*, *Pompeius*, *Cato*, *Augustus*, *Antoninus*, &c. The brauest Souldiers and most heroicall spirits could not avoid it. They haue beene actiue and passiue in this busines. ^e King *Arthur* whom we call one of the nine worthies, for all his great valour was vnworthily serued by *Mordred* one of his Round-table knights, & *Guitera*, or *Helena Alba* his faire wife, as *Leland* interprets it, was an arrant honest woman. I speake not of our times all this while, we haue good, honest, ver- tuous men and women, whom fame, zeale, feare of God, religion & supersti- tion containes, and yet for all that, we haue too many knights of this order, so dubbed by their wiues, many good women abused by dissolute husbands. In some places and some persons you may as soone inioyne them to carry water in a Cisse, as to keepe themselues honest. What shall a man doe now in such a case? What remedy is to be had, how shall he be eased? By suing a divorce, that is hard to be effected, *si non caste tamen caute*, they carry the mat- ter so cunningly, that though it be as common as Simony, and as cleare, as manifest as the nose on a mans face, yet it cannot be evidently proued. Much better put it vp, the more he stirres in it, the more hee shall diuulge his owne shame; make a vertue of necessity, and conceale it, there is no remedy but pa- tience. It may be 'tis his owne default, and he hath no reason to complaine, 'tis *quid pro quo*, she is bad, he is worse, ^f *Bethinke thy selfe, hast thou not done as much for some of thy neighbours, why dost thou require that of thy wife, which thou wilt not performe thy selfe.* Thou rangeest like a torne Bull, why art thou so incensed if shee tread awry?

^h Be it that some woman breake chaste wedlocks lawes,
And leaues her husband and becomes vnchaste,
Yet commonly it is not without cause,

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Shee sees her man in sinne her goods to wast,
 Shee feesles that he his loue from her withdrawes,
 And hath on some perhaps lesse worthy place,
 Who strikes with sword, the scabbard them may strike.
 And sure loue craueth loue, like asketh like.

Ea semper studebit, faith ¹ *Newisanus, pares reddere vices*, she will quit it if she can. I doe not excuse her in accusing thee, but if both bee naught, mend thy selfe first.

Yea but thou repliest, 'tis not the like reason betwixt man and woman, through her fault my children are bastards, I may not endure it. ^k *Sit amara, sit imperiosa, prodiga, &c.* Let her scold & brawle and spend, I care not, *modo sit casta*, so she be honest, I could easily beare it, but this I cannot. And why not this? Euen this which thou so much abhorrest, it may bee for thy progenies good, ^l better be any mans sonnes then thine, thou thy selfe hast peraduenture more diseases then an horse; make the worst of it, as it is *vulnus insanabile, sic vulnus insensibile*, as it is incurable, so is it insensible. But art thou sure it is so? It may be thou art ouer suspitious, and without a cause, as some are, if it be *octimestris partus*, borne at eight months, or like such & such a man, they fondly suspect hee got it; if shee speake or laugh familiarly with such or such men, then presently she is naught with them, such is their weaknesse. Whereas charity, or a well disposed minde would interpret all vnto the best. *S. Francis* by chance seeing a Frier familiarly kissing another mans wife, was so farre from misconceauing it, that he presently kneeled downe & thanked God there was so much charity left; but they on the other side will ascribe nothing to naturall causes, indulge nothing to familiarity, mutuell society, friendship, but out of a sinister suspition, presently locke them close, watch them, thinking by that meanes to prevent all such inconueniences, that's the way to helpe it, whereas by that meanes they doe aggrauate the mischief. 'Tis but in vaine to watch that which will away.

*Nec custodiri si velit vlla potest,
 Nec mentem seruare potes, licet omnia serues,
 Omnibus exclusis, intus adulter erit;
 None can be kept resisting for her part,
 Though body be kept close within her heart.
 Aduourtie lurkes, to exclude it ther's no art.*

Argus with an hundred eyes cannot keepe her, & *hunc vnus sapè sefellit amor*, as in ^m *Aristo*. If all our hearts were eyes, yet sure they said we husbands of our wines should be betraid.

Hierome saith, *uxor impudica seruari non potest, pudica non debet, infida custos castitatis est necessitas*, to what end is all your custody. A dishonest woman cannot be kept, an honest ought not to be kept, necessity is a keeper not to be trusted. *Difficile custoditur, quod plures amant*; That which many couet can hardly be preserued, as ^o *Salisburyensis* thinks. I am of *Aeneas Sylvius* minde, that those iealous Italians doe very ill to locke vp their wines for women are of that disposition, they will most couet that which is denied most, and offend least when they haue free liberty to trespassse. It is in vaine to locke her vp if she be dishonest; For when she perceaues her husband obserues her & suspects, *liberius peccat*, saith ^p *Newisanus*, ^q *Toxica zelotype dedit uxor macha marito*, she

ⁱ *Sylue nupt. l. 4. num. 72.*

^k *Lemnius li. 4. cap. 13. de eccl. cult. nat. mir.*

^l *Optimum bene nasci.*

^m *Ouid. amor. lib. 3. eleg. 4.*
ⁿ *Lib. 4. st. 72.*
^o *Policrat. lib. 8. cap. 11. De amor. Eurial. & Lucret. qui uxores oculadant, meo iudicio minus utiliter faciunt, sunt enim eo ingenio mulieres, ut id potissimum cupiant, quod maxime denegatur, si liberas habent habenas, minus delinquant, frustra seram adhibet, si non sit sponte casta.*
^p *Quando cognoscunt maritum hoc advertere.*
^q *Ausonius.*

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she is exasperated, and seekes by all meanes to vindicate her selfe, and will therefore offend, because she is vniustly suspected. The best course then is to let them haue their owne wills, giue them free liberry, without any keeping.

In vaine our friends from this doe vs dehort,

For beauty will be where is most resort.

† *Ope sum, mi-
dum sum, the-
saurum sum,
etc.*

If she be honest as *Penelope*, *Lucretia*, shee will so continue hir honour, good name, credit, and as *Phocias* wife in † *Plutarch*, called her husband, *her wealth, treasure, world, ioy, delight, orbe and sheare*, she will hers. The vow shee made vnto her husband, loue, vertue, religion, zeale, are better keepers then al those lockes, Eunuchs, prisons, she will not be moued.

† *Virg. An.*

At mihi vel tellus optem prius ima dehiscat,

Aut pater omnipotens adigat me fulmine ad umbras,

Pallentes umbras Erebi, noctemq. profundam.

Ante pudor, quam te violem, aut tua iura resolvam.

First I desire the earth to swallow me,

Before I violate mine honesty,

Or thunder from aboue driue me to hell,

With those pale Ghosts, and vgly night to dwell.

She is resolu'd with *Dido* to be chaste, though her husband be false, shee will be true: and as *Octavia* writ to her *Anthony*,

† *Daniel.*

† *These walls that heere doe keepe me out of sight,*

Shall keepe me all vnspotted vnto thee,

And testifie that I will doe thee right,

Ile neuer staine thine house, though thou shame me.

† *O quam for-
mosus lasertus
hic, quidam in-
quit, ad equales
conuersus, at illa
publicus, inquit,
non est.*

† *Bilia Dixitum
virum ferem
habuit, & spiri-
tum fetidum ha-
bentem, quem
quidam
exprobrasset,
etc.*

† *Num quid ti-
bi, Armena, Ti-
granes videba-
tur esse pulcher?
& illum, inquit,
exdepol etc. Xe-
noph. Cyroped. l.3
x Ouid.*

† *Read Pe-
trarch's tale of
patient Gri-
zell in Chaucer.*

Turne her loose to all those *Tarquines* and *Satyres*, shee will not be tempted.

When one commended *Theana's* fine arme to his fellowes, shee tooke him vp short, *Sir, 'tis not common*, shee is wholly referu'd to her husband. † *Bilia*

had an old man ro her spouse, and his breath stunke, so that no body could abide it abroad, comming home one day, he reprehended his wife, because she did not tell him of it: she vowed vnto him she had told him, but that she thought euery mans breath had beene as strong as his. † *Tigranes & Armena* his Lady, were

invited to supper by King *Cyrus*, when they came home, *Tigranes* asked his wife, how she liked *Cyrus*, and what she did especially commend in him; shee swore she did not obserue him; when he replied again, what then she did obserue, whom she looked on? she made answere, her husband, that said he would die for her sake. Such are the properties and conditions of good women, and if

she be well giuen, she will so carry her selfe; if otherwise she be naught, vse al the meanes thou canst, she will be naught. Shee hath so many lies, excuses, tricks, Panders, Bawdes, shifts to deceiue, 'tis to no purpose to keepe her vp, or to reclaime her by hard vsage. Faire meanes peraduenture may doe some-what.

† *Obsequio vinces aptius ipse tuo.*

Men and women are both in a predicament, & in this behalfe sooner wonne, better pacified. Many patient † *Grizels* by their obsequiousnesse in this kind, haue reclaimed their husbands from their wandring lusts. In *Nova Francia* and *Turkie* (as *Leah*, *Rahel*, and *Sarah* did to *Abraham* and *Iacob*) they bring their fairest maides to their husbands beds; *Linia* seconded the lustfull appetites of *Augustus*, *Stratonica* wife to king *Deiotarus*, did not onely bring *E-leetra* a faire maid, to her husbands bed, but brought vp the childre begot on her,

her, as carefully as if they had beene her owne. *Tertius* *Emilius* wife, *Cornelia's* mother, perceiuing her husbands distemperance, *rem dissimulauit*, made much of the maide, & would take no notice of it. The best remedy is by faire meanes; if that will not take place, to dissemble it as I say, or turne it off with a jest: *Minus malum*, ^a *Neuisanus* holdes, *dissimulare*, to be ^a *Cuniarum empor*, a buyer of Cradles, as the Prouerbe is, then to be too sollicitous. ^b *A goodfel-*
low when his wife was brought to bed before her time, bought halfe a dozen Cra-
dles before hand for so many children, as if his wife should continue to beare chil-
dren at euery two moneths. ^c *Pertinax* the Emperour, when one tolde him a Fidler was too familiar with his wife, made no reckoning of it. And when that *Macedonian Philip* was vpbraided with his wifes dishonesty, *cum tot vi-*
etor regum ac populorum esset, &c. a Conquerour of Kingdomes could not tame his wife, (for she thrust him out of doores) hee made a jest of it. *sa-*
pientes portant cornua in pectore, stulti in fronte, saith *Neuisanus*, wife men beare their hornes in their hearts, fooles on their foreheades. *Iecundo* in *Aristo-*
sto, found his wife in bed with a knaue, both asleep, went his wayes, & would not so much as wake them, much lesse reprove them for it. ^d An honest fel-
 low finding in like sort his wife had plaid false at tables, and borne a man too many, drew his dagger, and swore if he had not bin his very friend, he would haue kill'd him. Another hearing one had done that for him, which no man desires to bee done by a deputy, followed in a rage with his sword drawne, & hauing ouertaken him, laide adultery to his charge; the offender hotly pursued, confessed it was true, with whose confession he was satisfied, and so left him, swearing that if he had denied, he would not haue put it vp. How much better is it to doe thus, then to macerate himself, impatiently to raue & rage, to enter an Action (as *Arnoldus Tilius* did in the Court of *Tholouse*, against *Martin Guerre* his fellow souldier, for that he counterfeited his habit, and was too familiar with his wife) so to divulge his owne shame, and to remain for euer a Cuckold on Record; how much better to contemne in such cases, or to take no notice of it, *Melius sic errare, quam zelotypia curis*, saith *Eras-*
mus, *se conficere*, better be a witall and put it vp, then to trouble himselfe to no purpose. And though hee doe not *omnibus dormire*, yet to winke at it as many doe, is not amisse at some times, in some causes, to some parties, if it be for his commodity, or some great mans sake, his Land-lord, Patrone, benefactor, and so to let it passe.

— + *pol me hand pœnitet;*

Scilicet boni dimidium diuidere cum loue.

it neuer troubles me, said *Amphitrio*, to be cornuted by *Iupiter*; let it not molest thee, be friends with her,

Tu cum Alcmena uxore antiquam in gratiam

Redi —

let it, I say, make no breach of loue betwixt

you. How soeuer, the best way is to contemne it, which ^d *Henry* the second, King of *France*, aduised a Courtier of his, ielous of his wife, and complaining of her vnchastnes, to reiect it, & comfort himselfe, for he that suspects his wifes incontinency, and feares the Popes curse, shall neuer line a merry house, or sleep quiet night: no remedy but patience. When all is done according to that counsell of ^e *Neuisanus*, *si vitium uxoris corrigi non potest, ferendum est*: If it may not be helped, it must be endured. There is no other cure, but time to weare it out, *Ininriarum remedium est obliuio*, age will bereaue

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^a *Sil. uesp. lib. 4. num 80.*

^a *Erasmus.*

^b *Quum accepisset uxorem peperisse secundo a nuptijs mense, cunas quintas vel senas coemit, ut si forte uxor singulis bimensibus pareret.*

^c *Iulius Capitol. uitae eius: quum palam Citharedus uxorem diligeret, minime curiosus fuit.*

^d *S. Ioh. Harringtons notes in 28 booke of Aioiso.*

^f *Plautus scer. ult. Amphit.*

^a *Idem*

^d *T. Danne cōiurat. French.*

^e *Lib. 4. num. 80.*

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her of it, dies dolorem minuit, time and patience must end it.
 & The mindes affections, Patience will appease,
 Its passions kills, and healeth each disease.

SVBSEC. 2.

By prevention before, or after marriage, Plato's community, marry a
 Curtisan, Philters, Stewes, to marry one equall in yeares,
 fortunes, of a good family, education, good
 place, to vse them well, &c.

OF such medecins as conduce to the cure of this malady, I have suffici-
 ently treated, there bee some good remedies remaining, by way of
 prevention, precautions, or admonitions, which if rightly practised,
 may doe much good. Plato in his common-wealth, to preuent this mischief
 belike, would haue all things common, wiues and children, all as one: and
 which *Cesar* in his Commentaries obserued of old *Britaines*, that first inha-
 bited this Land, they had ten or twelue wiues allotted to such a Family, or
 promiscuously to bee vsed by so many men; not one to one, as with vs, or
 foure, siue, or sixe to one, as in *Turkie*. The *Nicholaites*, a Sect that sprung,
 saith *Austin*, from *Nicholas* the Deacon, would haue women indifferent, &
 the cause of this filthy Sect, was *Nicholas* the Deacons jealousy, for which
 when he was condemned, of this fault to purge himselfe, he broched this he-
 resie, that it was lawfull to lye with one anothers wiues, and for any man to
 lye with his: like to those Anabaptists in *Munster*, that would consort with
 other mens wiues, as the spirit moued them: or as *Mahomet* that seducing
 Prophet, would needes vse women as he list himselfe, to beget Prophets: A-
 mongst the old *Carthaginians*, as *Bohemus* relates out of *Sabellicus*, the king
 of the Countrey lay with the Bride the first night, and once in a yeare they
 lay promiscuously altogether. *Munster Cosmog. lib. 3. cap. 497.* ascribes the be-
 ginning of this brutish custome to one *Picardus* a Frenchman, that invented
 a new Sect of *Adamites*, to goe naked as *Adam* did, and to vse promiscuous
 Venerie at set times. When the Priest repeated that of *Genesis*, Increase and
 multiply, out * went the candles in the place where they met, & without all
 respect of age, persons, conditions, catch that catch may, euery man tooke her came
 next &c. Some fasten this on those ancient *Bohemians* & *Russians*:† others on
 those inhabitants of *Mambrium*, in the *Lucerne* valley in *Pedemont*; and as I
 read, it was practised in *Scotland* amongst Christians themselves, vntill King
Malcomes time, the King or the Lord of the towne had their maidenheads.
 In some parts of *India* in our times, and those *Islanders*,^m as the *Babyloni-
 ans* of old, they will prostitute their wiues and daughters (which *Chalcocon-
 dila* a Greeke moderne VVriter, for want of better intelligence, puts vpon vs
Britaines) to such trauellers or sea-faring men as come amongst them by
 chance, to shew how farre they were from this ferall vice of jealousy, and
 how little they esteemed it. But those *Essai* and *Montanists*, two strange sects

2 Lib. de heres.
 Quum de zelo
 culpametur. par-
 gandi se causa
 permisisse fertur,
 ut ea qui vellet
 intererit, quod
 eius factum in
 sectam turpissi-
 mam versum
 est, qua placet u-
 sus inuicem
 feminarum.
 Sleidan.

3 Alcoran.
 4 De mor. gent.
 lib. 1. cap. 6.
 Nupture regi de-
 uirginande ex-
 hibentur.

* Lumina extin-
 guentur, nec
 persone & eta-
 tis habita reve-
 rentia, in quam
 quisq; per tene-
 bras incidit,
 mulierem cog-
 noscit.

† Leander Al-
 bertus. Flagiti-
 o viui cuncti
 in eadem conue-
 nientes post im-
 parem cautione,
 extinctis lumini-
 bus in Venerem
 viuunt.

^k Lod. Peritomanius nauig lib. 6. cap. 8. & Marcus Polus lib. 1. cap. 46. Vxoribus viatoribus prostituunt. ^l Dithmarus Bleskenius, ut
 Agetas Aristoni, pulcherrimam uxorem habens, prostituit. ^m Herodot. in Erato. Mulieres Babylonicæ cum hospite permiscentur ob
 argentum quod post Veneri sacrum. *Bohemus* lib. 2. cap.

of old, were in another extreame, they would not marry at all, or haue any society with women, because of their intemperance, they held them to bee all naught. Neuisanus the Lawyer, lib. 4. num. 33. syl. nupt. would haue him that is inclined to this malady, to preuent the worst, marry a queane, *Capiens meretricem, hoc habet saltem boni, quod non decipitur, quia scit eam sic esse, quod non contingit alijs.* Hierome king of Syracuse in Sicily, married himselfe to Pithe, keeper of a Stewes; and Ptolomie tooke Thais a common whore to bee his wife, had two sonnes, *Leontiscus* and *Lagus* by her, and one daughter *Irene*: 'tis therefore no such vnlikely thing. P A citizea of *Eugubine* gelded himselfe, to try his wifes honesty, and to be freed from ielousie, so did a baker in *Basile*, to the same intent: But of all other presidents in this kind, that of *Comibalus* is most memorable: who to preuent his masters suspicion, for he was a beautifull yong man, and sent by *Seleucus* his Lord and king, with *Stratonice* his Queene to conduct her into *Syria*; Fearing the worst, gelded himselfe before he went, and left his genitals behind him in a boxe, sealed vp. His mistresse by the way fell in loue with him, but he not yeelding to her, was accused to *Seleucus* of incontineney, and that by her; and at his comming home, cast into prison: the day of hearing appointed, hee was sufficiently cleared & acquitted by shewing his priuities, which to the admiration of the beholders, he had formerly cut off. The *Lydians* vsed to geld women whom they suspected, saith *Leonicus* var. hist. lib. 3. cap. 59. as well as men. To this purpose, Saint *Francis*, because he vsed to confesse women in priuat, to preuent suspicion, and proue him selfe a maid, stripped himselfe naked before the Bishop of *Assise* and others: and Frier *Leonard* for the same cause, went through *Viterbium* in Italy, starke belly naked.

Our Pseudocatholickes, to helpe these inconveniences which proceede from Ielousie, and to keepe themselves and their wiues honest, make seuerall Lawes against adultery, present death, and withall fornication a veniall sin, as a snare to convey that furious and swift streame of concupiscence, they appoint and permit Stewes, the more to secure their wiues in all populous Cities, for they hold them as necessary as Churches, and howsoeuer vnlawfull, yet to auoide a greater mischief, to bee tollerated in policy, as vsury for the hardnesse of mens hearts, and for this end they haue whole Colledges of Curtesians in all their townes and cities. For they hold it vnpossible for idle persons, yong, rich & lusty, so many seruants, Monkes, Friers, to liue honest, too tyrannicall a burden to compell them to be chaste, and most vnfit to suffer poore men, younger brothers, souldiers, all to marry; as those diseased persons, votaries, Priests, seruants. Therefore as well to helpe and ease the one as the other, they tolerate and winke at these kinde of Brothell-houses and Stewes. Many probable arguments they haue to proue the lawfulnessse, the necessitie, and a tolleration of them, as of vsury, and without question in policy they are not to be contradicted: but altogether in Religion. Others prescribe philters, spels, charmes, to keepe men and women honest. *Mulier ut alienum virum non admittat praeter suum: Accipe fel heri, & adspem, & exsicca, caleseat in oleo &c. & non alium praeter te amabit. In Alexi, Porta, &c. plura inuenies, & multo his absurdiora, ut in Rhafi, ne mulier virum admittat, & maritum solum diligat, &c.* But these are most part Pagan, inipious, irreligious, absurd, and ridiculous devices.

ⁿ Bobemus lib. 2. cap. 3. Iaco nuberet nolent ob mulierum intemperantiam, nullam seruare viro fidem putabant.

^o Stephanus praefat. Hierod. Alius de Iupanar meretricem, Pithe dictam, uxorem duxit. Ptolomaeus Thaidem nobile scortum duxit &c. ex ea duos filios suscepit, &c.

^p Poggins Florent.

^q Felix Plater.

^r Lucian. Sat. mutz Tit. 2. de porcellanis corn. in Paninol. de nov. rept.

^s Stephanus e lib. confor. Bonavent. cap. 6. vit. Francis.

^t Wecker lib. 7. secret.

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^a Citatur à Gellio.^b Lib. 4. Tit. 4. de Inſtit. reipub. de officio mariti.^c Ne cum eâ blandi nimis agas, ne obſurgas præſentibus extraneis.^d Alciat. emb.

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^e Dipnoſop. lib. 13 cap. 12.^f Offic. lib. Lxxviii cum omni ætati turpis, tum ſenectuti ſediffima.^g Eccleſius 25, 2. An old man that dotes &c.^h Cap. 54. inſtit. ad optimam vitam. maxima mortalium pars, precipitanter & inconsideratè nubit, idq; eâ ætate que minus apta eſt, quum ſenex adoleſcentule, ſauis moribide, diues pauperi, &c.ⁱ Abſoleto, in-tempeſtiua, turpiter, ſe ui recordatione priſtinæ voluptatum ſe recreât, & aduerſante naturâ pollicellam carnem & erectam excitant.^j Lib. 2. nu. 39.^k Qui verò non proceande proſe, ſed explende libidinis cauſâ ſibi inuicem copulantur, non tam coniuges quam fornicarij habentur.^l Plautus meritor.

The beſt meanes to auoide theſe & like inconveniences, are to take away the cauſes and occaſions. To this purpoſe ^a Varro writ *Satyræ Menippeæ*, but it is loſt. ^b *Patritius* preſcribes foure rules to bee obſerued in chooſing of a wiſe (which who ſo will may read) ^c *Cleobulus* two, others otherwiſe, as firſt to make a good choice in marriage, an old man not to marry a young woman, or a young woman an old man, ſuch matches muſt needs miniſter a perpetuall cauſe of ſuſpition, and be diſtaſtefull to each other.

^d *Noctua ut in tumultu, ſuper atq; cadavera buba,**Talis apud Sophoclem noſtra puella ſedet.*

Night-crowes on tombes, Owle ſits on carcaſſe dead,
So lies a wench with *Sophocles* in bed.

For *Sophocles*, as ^e *Athenæus* deſcribes him, was a very old man, and doted vpon *Archippe* a yong Curteſan, then which nothing can bee more odious. *Seneca* therefore diſallowes all ſuch vnſeaſonable matches, *habent enim maledicti locum crebra nuptia*. And as ^f *Tully* farther inveighes, *it is unſit for any, but vgly and filthy in old age*. *Turpe ſenilis amor*, one of the three things ^g God hateth. *Plutarch* in his booke *contra Coleten*, railes downeright at ſuch kind of marriages, which are attempted by old men, and makes a queſtion whether in ſome caſes it be tolerable at leaſt for ſuch a man to marry, that is now paſt thoſe venereous exerciſes: Whether hee may delight himſelfe as thoſe *Priapeian* Popes, which in their decrepit age, lay commonly between two Wenches euery night, *contactu formoſarum, & contræctatione, num adhuc gaudeat*: and as many doting Syres ſtill doe to their owne ſhame, their childrens vodoing, and their families confuſion: he abhorres it, *tanquam ab agreſti & furioſo domino fugiendum*, it muſt be auoided as a mad *Bedlam* maſter, and not obeyed. ^h *Leuius Lemnius* reckons vp three things which generally diſturbe the peace of marriage: the firſt is, when they marry intempeſtiue or vnſeaſonably, as many mortall men marry precipitately and inconsiderately, when they are effete and old; The ſecond, when they marry vnequally for fortunes and birth: the third, when a ſicke impotent perſon marries one that is ſound, *novæ nuptiæ ſpes fruſtratur*; Many diſlikes inſtantly follow. many doting dizards, it may not be denied, as *Plutarch* confeſſeth, *recreate themſelves with ſuch obſolete, vnſeaſonable and filthy remedies* (ſo he calſ them) with a remembrance of their former pleaſures; againſt nature they ſtirre vp their dead fleſh: but an old leacher is abominable; *mulier tertio nubens*, ⁱ *Neuiſanus* holds, *præſumitur lubrica & inconfans*, a woman that marries a third time, may be preſumed to be no honeſter then ſhe ſhould. Of them both, thus *Ambroſe* concludes in his Comment vpon *Luke*, ^j *they that are coupled together, not to get children, but to ſatiſſie their luſt, are not husbands, but fornicators*, with whom ^k *St. Auſtin* conſents; matrimony without hope of children, *non matrimonium, ſed concubium dici debet*, is not a wedding, but a jumbling or coupling together. In a word it is moſt odious, when an old *Acherontick* dizard, that hath one foot in his graue, ſhall flicker after a yong wench, what can be more deteſtable?

^l *Tu cano capite amas ſenex nequiſſimè,
Iam plenus ætatis, animâq; ſatidâ,
Senex hircosus tu oſculare mulierem,
Vtine adiens vomitum potiùs excuties.*

Thou

Thou old goat, hoary lecher, naughty man,

With stinking breath, art thou in loue?

Must thou be flauering, she spewes to see

Thy filthy face, it doth so moue.

And thou old *Vetustina* bed-ridden queane, that art now skinne and bones,

Cui tres capilli, quatuorq. sunt dentes,

Pectus cicadae, crustulamq. formicae,

Rugosioresque geras sola frontem,

Et aranearum castibus pares mammas.

That hast three haire, foure teeth, a brest

Like grasshopper, an Emmets crest,

As kinne more rugged then thy cote,

And dugges like spiders webbes to boote.

Must thou marry a youth againe? And yet *ducentas ire nuptum post mortem* *amant*: how soeuer it is, as *Apuleius* giues out of his *Meroe*, *congressus annosus, pestilens, abhorrendus*, a pestilent match, abominable, and not to be endured. In such case how can they otherwise choose, but be iealous, how should they agree one with another?

Another maine caution fit to be obserued, is this, that though they be equall in yeares, birth fortunes, yet they doe not omit vertue and good education. If as *Plutarch* aduise, one must eate *modium salis*, a bushell of salt with him, before he choose his friend, what care should be had in choosing a wife, his second selfe, how sollicitous should he be to know her qualities and behaviour, and when hee is assured of them, not to preferre beautie before bringing vp, & good conditions. *Coquage* god of Cuckolds, as one merrily said, accompanies the goddesse Iealousie, both follow the fairest, by *Iupiter*s appointment, & they sacrifice to both together: beauty & honesty seldome agree. *Suspitionis plena res est, & insidiarum*, beautie (saith *Chrysostome*) is full of treacherie and suspition, he that hath a faire wife, cannot haue a worse mischiefe, and yet most couet it, as if nothing else in marriage but that and wealth were to be respected. *Francis Sforza* Duke of *Millain*, was so curious in this behalfe, that he would not marry the Duke of *Mantua*s daughter, except he might see hernaked first; Which *Lycurgus* appointed in his lawes, and *Morus* in his *Vropian* Common-wealth approues. *In Italy*, as a traueler obserues, if a man haue three or foure daughters, or more, and they proue faire, they are married eftsoues: if deformed, they change their louely names of *Lucia*, *Cynthia*, *Camena*, call them *Dorothy*, *Vrsula*, *Brigit*, and so put them into Monasteries, as if none were fit for marriage, but such as are eminently faire: but these are erroneous Tenents, a modest virgin well conditioned, to such a faire snout piece, is much to be preferred. If thou wilt anoid then, and take away all causes of suspition and iealousie, marry a course piece, fetch her from *Cassandra*s Temple, which was wont in *Italy* to be a Sanctuary for all deformed maides, and so thou shalt be sure that no man will make thee cuckold, but for spite. A Citizen of *Bizance* in *Thrace*, had a filthy dowdy, deformed slut to his wife, and finding her in bed with another man, cryed out as one amazed, *o miser! quae te necessitas huc adigit?* O thou wretch, what necessity brought thee hither? as well he might, for who can affect such a one? but this is warily to be vnderstood, most offend in another extreame, they prefer

Marital. lib. 3. 62. epigr.

Lib. i. milt.

Rablaus hist. Pantagruel. l. 3. cap. 33.

Hem. 80. Qui pulchram habet uxorem, nihil peius habere potest.

Armenius. h. linciar. Ital. Colonia edit.

1620. Nomine trium Ger. fol. 324. displicuit quod domine filius inmutent nomen inditum in Baptismo, & pro Catharina, Margaret, &c. ne quid desit ad luxuriam, appellat ipsas nominibus Cynthiae, Camene, &c.

i. Leonicus de var. lib. 3. cap. 43. Asilus virginum deformium Cassandrae templum. Plutarch.

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* Polycrat. lib.
8. cap. 11.

wealth before beauty, and so she be rich, they care not how shee looke, but these are all out as faultie as the rest. *Attendenda uxoris forma, as^k Salisburien-
ensis* aduiseeth, *ne si alteram aspexeris, mox eam sordere putes*, as the Knight in
Chaucer, that was married to an old woman,

And all day after hid him as an Owle,
So woe was him his wife looked so foule.

Haue a care of thy wifes complexion, lest whilest thou seeest another, thou
loathest her, and she proue ielous. *Malestum est possidere, quod nemo habere
dignetur*, a misery to possesse that which no man likes, on the other side, *Diffi-
cile custoditur quod plures amant*. Both extreames are naught, *Pulchra cito
adamatur, feda facile concupiscit*, the one is soone beloued, the other loues,
one is hardly kept, the other not worth keeping, what is to bee done in this
case? *Ennius* in *Menelippe* aduiseeth thee as a friend to take *statam formam*, *si
vis habere incolumem pudicitiam*, take one of a middle size, neither too faire,
nor too foule. This I approue, but of the other two, I resolue with *Salisburien-
ensis, ceteris paribus*, both rich alike, endowed alike, *maiore miseria deformis
habetur, quam formosa servatur*, I had rather marry a faire one, and put it to
the hazard, then be troubled with a blouze: but do thou as thou wilt, I speake
onely for my selfe.

Howsoeuer, I would aduise thee thus much, be she fair or foule, to choose
a wife out of a good kindred, parentage, well brought vp in an honest place.
He that marries a wife out of a suspected Inne or Alehouse, buyes a horse in
Smithfield, and hires a seruant in *Paules*, as the diuerbe is, shall likely haue a
Jade to his horse, a knaue for his man, an arrant honest woman to his wife.
Filia praesumitur esse matri similis, saith[†] *Nenisanus*: Such^m a mother, such a
daughter, *malis corvi malum ovum*, Cat to the kind,

† *Scilicet expectas ut tradat mater honestos,
Atq; alios mores quam quos habet*—

† *Lib. 2. num.
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m Si genetrix
caste, caste quoq;
filia uiuet,
Si meretrix ma-
tor, filia talis
erit.*

† *Iuuen. Sat. 6.*

*m Camerarius
cent. 2. cap. 54.
oper. subcis.
† Lib. 4. Tit. 4.
de instit. Reipub.
cap. de officio
mariti & uxoris
o Lib. 4. §1 nup.
num 81. Non
curant de uxori-
bus, nec volunt
ijs subuenire de
victu, vestitu.
&c.*

* *In Clis. Speci-
em uxoris supra
modum extol-
lent, fecit ut il-
lam nudam corā
aspiceret.*

If the mother be dishonest, in all likely hood the daughter will *matrizare* take
after her in all good qualities. My last caution is, that a woman doe not be-
show her selfe vpon a foole, or an apparent melancholy person, Iealousie is a
symptome of that disease, and fooles haue no moderation. *Iustina* a *Romane*
Lady was much persecuted, and after made away by her ielous husband, she
caused and inioyned this Epitaph, as a caueat to others, to bee ingrauen on
her tombe, *Discite ab exemplo Iustinae, discite patres,*

Ne nubat fatuo filia vestra viro, &c.

Learn parents all, and by *Iustina's* case,
Your children to no dizards for to place.

After marriage, I can giue no better admonitions, then to vse their wiues
well, to maintaine them to their meanes, which[†] *Patricius* ingeminates, and
let them haue liberty with discretion, as time and place requires: many wo-
men turne queanes by compulsion, as^o *Nenisanus* obserues, because their
husbands are so hard, and keepe them so short in diet & apparell, *paupertas
cogit eas meretricari*, pouerty and hunger, want of meanes, makes them dis-
honest, or bad vsage; their churlish behauiour forceth them to flie out, or
bad example, they doe it to cry quittance. In the other extreame some are
too liberall, as the Prouerbe is, *Turdus malum sibi cacat*, they make a rod for
their owne tails, as *Candaules* did to *Gyges* in^{*} *Herodotus*, commende his
wifes

wifes beauty himself, & besides would needs haue him see her naked. Whilst they giue their wiues too much liberty to gad abroad, and bountifull allowance, they are accessory to their owne miseries, *anima uxorum pessime olent*, as *Plautus* gibes, they haue deformed soules, and by their painting & colours, procure, *odium mariti*, their husbands hate, especially

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—† *cum miseri viscantur labra mariti.*

besides, their wiues (as *P. Basil* notes, *Impudenter se exponunt masculorum a. spectibus, iactantes tunicas, & coram tripudiantes*, impudently thrust themselves into other mens companies, and by their vndecent wanton carriage, prouoke & tempt the spectators. Vertuous women should keepe house, and as *M. Avelius* prescribes it as a necessary caution to be obserued of all good matrons, that loue their credits, to come little abroad. 'Tis good to keepe them priuate, not in prison. Read more of this subiect. *Horol. princ. lib. 2 per totum. Arniseus polit. Cyprian, Tertull an, Bossus de mulier. apparat. God. fridus de Amor. lib. 2. cap. 4. Levinus Lemnius cap. 54. de institut. Christ. Barbarus de re uxor. lib. 2. cap. 2. Franciscus Patritius de institut. Reipub. lib. 4. Tit. 4. & 5. de officio mariti & uxoris, &c.*

† *Inuen. Sat. 6.*
He cannot
kisse his wife
for paint
† *O. at. contra
ebr.*

⁹ *Horol. princ.
lib. 2. cap. 8. Dil-
genter carenda
seminis illustri-
bus ne frequen-
ter exant.*

These cautions concerne him; and if by these, or his owne discretion, otherwise he cannot moderate himselfe, his friends must not bee wanting by their wisdom, if it be possible, to giue the party grieued, satisfaction, to preuent and remoue the occasions, objects, if it may be to secure him. If it bee one alone, or many, to consider whom he suspects, or at what times, in what places he is most incensed, in what companies. * *Neuisanus* makes a question, whether a young Physitian ought to be admitted in case of sicknesse, into a new married mans house. The *Persians* of old would not admit a young Physitian to come amongst women. † *Apollonides* Cous made *Artaxerxes* cuckold, and was after buried aliue for it. A Jaylor in † *Aristanctus*, had a fine yong Gentleman to his prisoner, in commiseration of his youth and person, he let him loose, to enioy the liberty of the Prison, but he vnkindly made him cuckold. The like measure was offered to *Agis* king of *Lacedemon*, by * *Alcibiades* an exile, for his good entertainment, he was too familiar with *Timea* his wife, begetting a sonne of her, called *Leotichides*, and bragging moreouer when he came home to *Athens*, that he had a sonne should be king of the *Lacedemonians*. If such objects were remoued, no doubt but the parties might easily be satisfied, or that they could vse them gently, and intreat them well, not to reuile them, scoffe at, hate them, as in such cases commonly they doe, 'tis an humane infirmity, a miserable vexation, and they should not adde griefe to griefe, nor aggravate their miserie, but seeke to please, and by all meanes giue them content, by good counsell, remouing such offensive objects, or by mediation of some discreet friends. In old *Rome* there was a temple erected by the matrons to that † *Viriplaca* Dea, whither (if any difference hapned betwixt man and wife) they did instantly resort, there they did offer sacrifice, a white Hart, *Plutarch* records, *sine felle*, without the gall, (Some say the like of *Iuno's* temple) and make their prayers for coniugall peace, and before some † indifferent arbitrators and friends, the matter was heard betwixt man and wife, & commonly composed. In our times we want no sacred Churches, or good men to end such controuersies, if vse were made of them. If none of all these meanes and cautions will take place, I know not

ⁱ *Lib. 5. num. 11*
† *Cicero in Per-
golis, fluxit vul-
us morbum esse,
nec curari posse,
nisi cum viro
concurreret, hanc
arte voti com-
pos, &c.*
† *Ex solois vin-
culis, solutumq;
denotat, ut ille in-
humanus, fla-
grauit conjugem.*
ⁱ *Plutarch. vita
eius.*

ⁱ *Rafinus lib. 2.*
ⁱ *19. Valerius lib.
2. cap. 1.*
ⁱ *Alexander ab
Alexandro lib. 2.
ca. 8. gen. alier.*

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² *Strozium Ci-*
cogna lib. 2. cap.
15. spiritus fa-
can. habent ibi-
dem uxores quot
volunt, cum o-
culis clarissimis,
quos nunquam
in aliquem pra-
ter maritum
fixari sunt, &c.
Bredembachius.
Idem & Bohe-
mum, &c.

what remedie to prescribe, or whither such persons may goe for ease, except they can get into that same ^{*} Turkie paradise, where they shall haue as many faire wines as they will themselves, will cleare eyes, and such as looke on none but their owne husbands, no feare, no danger of being cuckolds; Or else sue for a diuorce. This is the best counsel I can giue, which he that hath need, as occasion serues, may apply vnto himselfe. In the meane time

— *dij talem terris auertite pestem,* as the prouerbe
is, from Heresie, Iealousie, and Frenzie, good Lord deliuer vs.

SECT. 4.

MEMB. I. SUBSECT. I.

RELIGIOUS MELANCHOLY.

His object God, what his beauty is? How it allureth.
The parts and parties affected.

¹ Called Re-
ligious, be-
cause it is still
conversant a-
bout Religion
and such di-
vine objects.
² *Gratius.*

That there is such a distinct Species of Loue melancholy no man hath ever yet doubted, but whither this subdiuision of ¹ Religious Melancholy be warrantable, it may be controuerted.

^{*} *Pergite Pierides, medio nec calle vagantem*
Linguite me, quā nulla pedum vestigia ducunt,
Nulla rota curruū testantur signa priores.

² *Lib. 1. cap. 16.*
nonnulli opinio-
nibus addicti
sunt, & futura
se predicere ar-
bitrantur.
³ *Alijs videtur*
quod sunt Pro-
phete & inspi-
rati à Spiritu
sancto, & incipi-
unt prophetare,
& multa futu-
ra predicunt.
⁴ *Cap. 6. de*
Melanch.
⁵ *Cap. 5. Tra-*
ctat. multi ob ti-
morem dei, sunt
melancholici, et
timorem geber-
ne. They are
still troubled
for their sins.
⁶ *Plater. c. 13.*
⁷ *Melancholia*
Erotica vel que
cum amore est
duplex est: pri-
ma que ab alijs
feran non meretur nomen melancholie, est affectio eorum qui pro obiecto proponunt deum, & ideo nihil aliud curant aut cogitant quam
deum, ieiunia, vigilijs, altera ob mulieres.

I haue no patterne to followe as in some of the rest, no man to imitate, No Physitian hath as yet distinctly written of it as of the rest, all acknowledge it a most famous Symptome, some a cause, but fewe a Species or kinde. ² *Areteus, Alexander, Rhasis, Avicenna,* and most of our late writers as *Gordonius, Euchsius, Platter, Bruel, Montaltus, &c.* repeat it as a symptome. ³ Some seem to be inspired of the Holy Ghost some take vpon them to be Prophets, some are addicted to new opinions. Some foretell strange things, *de statu mundi & Antichriste*, saith *Gordonius*. Some will prophetic of the end of the world to a day almost, and the fall of Antichrist, as they haue bin addicted or brought vp, so melancholy workes with them as ^b *Laurentius* holds. If they haue bin precisely giuen, all their meditations tend that way, and in conclusion produce strange effects, the humour imprints symptomes according to their severall inclinations and conditions, which makes ^c *Guianerius* and *Felix Plater* put too much devotion, blind zeale, feare of eternall punishment, and that last iudgement, for a cause of those enthusiasticks & desperate persons: but some doe not obscurely make a distinct Species of it, diuiding loue Melancholy into that, whose object is women; and into the other, whose object is God. *Plato* in *Conuuiuo*, makes mention of two distinct furies, and amongst our Neotericks, *Hercules de Saxonia lib. 1. pract. med. cap. 16. cap. de Melanch.* doth expressly treat of it as a distinct Species. ^e *Loue Melancholy* (saith hee) is twofold, the first is that (to which some peradventure will not vouchsafe) this name or Species of Melancholy) affection of those which put God for their object,

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and are altogether about prayer, fasting, &c. the other about women. Peter Forestus in his observations deliuereth as much, and in the same words: and they haue a ground of that they say, forth of *Areteus* and *Plato*. ^f *Areteus* an old Author in his third booke cap. 6. doth so diuide Loue Melancholy, & deriues this second from the first, which comes by inspiration or otherwise. & *Plato* in his *Phadrus* hath these words, *Apollos* priests in *Delphos*, and at *Dodona* in their furie doe many pretty feats, and benefit the *Greekes*, but neuer in their right wits. He makes them all mad, as well he might, and hee that shall but consider that superstition of old, those prodigious effects of it (as in his place I will shew the seuerall furies of our *Sibyls*, *Enthusiasts*, *Pseudoprophets*, *Hereticks*, and *Schismatickes* in these our latter ages) shall instantly confesse, that all the world againe cannot afford so much matter of madnesse, so many stupend symptomes, as superstition, heresie, schisme hath brought out: that this Species alone may be paralleld to all the former, hath a greater latitude, and more miraculous effects; that it more besots and infatuates men, then any other aboue named whatsoeuer, doth more harme, workes more disquietnes to mankinde, and hath more crucified the soule of mortall men (such hath beene the diuells craft) then warres, plagues, sicknesses, dearth, famine, and all the rest.

^f *Alia reperitur
suioris species &
prima vel a se-
cunda deorum
rogantium, vel
afflatu numini
suior hic venit.
Qui in Del-
phis futura pre-
dicunt vates, &
in Dodona sa-
cerdotes furen-
tes quidem mul-
ta iocunda Gre-
cis deserunt, sa-
ni vero exigua
aut nulla.*

Giue me but a little leaue, and I will set before your eyes in brieft, a stupend, vast, infinite Ocean of incredible madnesse & folly: a Sea full of shelues and rockes, sands, gulfes, Euripes and contrary tides, full of fearefull monsters, yncoouth shapes, roring waues, tempests, and Siren calmes, Halcyonian Seas; vnspcakable misery, such Comedies and Tragedies, such absurd and ridiculous, ferall and lamentable fits, that I knowe not whether they are more to be pittied or derided, or may be beleueed, but that wee daily see the same still practised in our dayes, fresh examples, *noua nouitia*, fresh obiects, of misery and madnesse in this kinde that are still represented vnto vs, abroad, at home, in the midst of vs, in our bosomes.

But before I can come to treat of these seuerall errors & obliquities, their causes, symptomes, affections, &c. I must say something necessarily of the obiect of this loue, God himselfe, what this loue is, how it allureth, whence it proceeds, and (which is the cause of all our miseries) how we mistake, wander and swarue from it.

Amongst all those diuine attributes that God doth vendicate to himselfe, Eternity, omnipotency, immutability, wisdom, maiesty, iustice, mercy, &c. his ^h beauty is not the least, *One thing*, saith *Dauid*, *haue I desired of the Lord*, and that will I still desire, *to behold the beauty of the Lord*. *Psal. 27. 4.* And out of *Sion* which is the perfection of beauty hath God shined, *Psal. 50. 2.* All other creatures are faire I confesse, & many other obiects doe much inamour vs, a faire house, a faire horse, a comely person. ⁱ *I am amazed*, saith *Austin*, *when I looke vp to heauen and behold the beauty of the starres, the beauty of Angells, principa-
lities, powers, who can expresse it? who can sufficiently commend, or set out this
beauty which appeares in vs? so faire a body, so faire a face, eyes, nose, cheekes,
chinne, browes, all faire and louely to behold, besides the beauty of the soule which
cannot be discerned. If we so labour and be so much affected with the comelines
of creatures, how should we be raiued with that admirable lustre of God him-
selfe? If ordinary beauty haue such a prerogatiue and power, and what is a-
miabile*

^h *Deus; bonitas,
iustus, pulcher
iuxta Platonem
i Miror. & stu-
peo cum cœlum
aspicio, & pul-
chritudinem sy-
derum, angelo-
rum &c. &
quis digne lau-
det quod in no-
bis videt corpus
tam pulchrum,
frontem pulchra
nares, genas, o-
culos, intellectum,
omnia pulchra, &
sic in creaturis
laboramus, quid
in ipso deo?*

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*¶ Fulgor diuine
indieflatus, Aug.*

*¶ In Psal. 64.
misit ad nos E-
pistolam & totā
scripturam, qui-
bus nobis faceret
amandi deside-
rium.
¶ Epist. 48. l. 4.
quid est tota
scriptura nisi E-
pistola omni-
potentis dei ad cre-
aturam suam?*

¶ Cap. 6. 3.

¶ Cap. 27. 11.

*¶ In Psal. 85.
omnes pulchritu-
dines terrenas,
auri, argenti, ne-
borum & cam-
porum, pulchri-
tudinem Solis et
Lune stellarum,
& angelorum,
omnia pulchra
superans.*

miable and faire, to draw the eyes and cares, hearts and affections of all spe-
ctators vnto it, to moue, winne, intice, allure, how shall this diuine beauty ra-
uish our soules, which is the fountaine and quintessence of all beauty? *Ca-
lam pulchrum, sed pulchrior cali fabricator*, If heauen be so faire, the Sunne so
faire, how much fairer shall he bee, that made them faire. This beauty and
splendor of this diuine God, is it that draws al creatures to it, to seeke it, loue,
admire, and adore it; and those Heathens, Pagans, Philosophers, out of these
reliques they haue yet left of Gods Image, are so farre forth incensed, as not
onely to acknowledge a God; but, though after their owne inventions, to
stand in admiration of his bounty, goodnesse, to adore and seeke him, the
magnificence and structure of the world it selfe, & beauty of all his creatures,
his goodnesse, prouidence, protection, inforceth them to loue him, seek him,
feare him, though a wrong way: but for vs that are Christians, regenerate,
that are his adopted sonnes, illuminated by his word, hauing the eyes of our
hearts and vnderstandings opened, how fairely doth he offer and expose him
selfe? *Ambit nos deus* (Austin saith) *donis & formâ suâ*, he wooes vs by his beau-
ty, gifts, promises to come vnto him, *the whole Scripture is a message, an ex-
hortation, a loue letter to this purpose, to incite vs and invite vs.* *Gods Epistle*,
as Gregory calls it, *to his creatures*. Hee sets out his sonne and his Church, in
that *Epithalamium* or mysticall song of Solomon, to enamour vs the more,
comparing his head to fine gold, his lockes curled and blacke as a Raven, *Cant. 4.
5. cap. his eyes like doves, on riners of waters, washed with milke, his lips as lillies,*
dropping downe pure iuyce, his hands as rings of gold set with chrysolite: and his
Church to a vineyard, a garden enclosed, a fountain of liuing waters, an orchard
of Pomegranets, with sweet sentes of saffron, spike, calamus and cinnamon, and all
the trees of incense, as the chiefe spices, the sayrest amongst women, no spot in her,
his sister, his spouse, vndefiled, the only daughter of her mother, deare vnto her,
faire as the Moone, pure as the Sun, looking out as the morning. That by these
figures, that glasse, these spiritual eyes of contemplation, we might perceauce
some resemblance of his beauty, the loue betwixt his Church and him. And
so in the 45. Psal. this beauty of his Church, is compared to a *Queene in a ve-
sture of gold, of Ophir, embrodered rayment of needleworke, that the king might
take pleasure in her beauty*. To incense vs farther yet, *John* in his *Apocalypse*,
makes a description of that heauenly *Ierusalem*, the beauty of it, and in it the
maker of it. *Likening it to a citty of pure gold, like vnto cleare glasse, shining &
garnished with all manner of pretious stones, hauing no need of Sunne or Moone,*
for the lambe is the light of it, the glory of God doth illuminate it: to giue vs to
vnderstand the infinite glory, beauty, and happinesse of it. Not that it is not fai-
rer then these creatures to which it is compared, but that this vision of his,
this lustre of his diuine Maiestie cannot otherwise be exprest to our appre-
hensions, no tongue can tell it, no heart conceane it, as *Paul* saith. *Moses* him-
selfe, *Exod. 33. 18*. When hee desired to see God in his glory, was answered
that he might not endure it, no man could see his face and liue. *Sensibile forte
destruit sensum*, A strong obiekt ouercommeth the sight, according to that
axiome in Philosophie: *fulgorem Solis ferre non potes, multo magis creatoris*, if
thou canst not endure the Sunbeames, how canst thou endure that fulgour
and brightnesse of him that made the Sunne? the Sunne it selfe & all that we
can imagine are but shadowes of it, tis *visio precellens*, as *Austin* calls it, the
quintessence

quintessence of beauty this, which farre excells the beauty of heauens, Sun and Moone, Starres, Angells, gold and Silver, woods and fayre fields, and whatsoeuer is pleasant to behold. All those other beauties faile, varie, are subiect to corruption, to loathing,^r But this is an immortall vision, a diuine beauty, an immortall loue, an indefatigable loue and beauty, with sight of which we shall neuer be tired, nor wearied, but still the more we see him the more we shall co- vet him.^f For as one saith, where this vision is, there is absolute beauty, and where is that beauty, from the same fountaine comes all pleasure and happinesse, neither can beauty, pleasure, happinesse, bee separated from his vision or sight, or his vision from beauty, pleasure, happinesse. In this life we haue but a glimpse of this beauty and happinesse, wee shall hereafter, as Iohn saith, see him as he is, thine eyes, as I say promiset, 33. 17. Shall behold the King in his glory, then shall we be perfectly inamored, haue a full fruition of it, desire and behold and loue him alone, as the most amiable and fairest object, our summum bonum, or chiefest good.

This likewise should we now haue done, had not our will beene corrupted, and as we are enioyned to loue God with all our heart, and all our soule: for to that end were we borne, to loue this object, as ^u Melancthon discourseth, and to enioy it. And him our will would haue loued and sought alone, as our summum bonum, or principall good, and all other good things for Gods sake: and nature as she proceeded from it would haue sought this fountain, but in this infirmity of humane nature this order is disturbed, our loue is corrupt: & a man is like to that monster in ^x Plato, composed of a Scylla, a lyon, and a man, wee are carried away headlong with the torrent of our affections, the world, and that infinite variety of pleasing objects in it, doe so allure and enamour vs, that we cannot so much as looke towards God, seeke him, or thinke on him as we should: we cannot containe our selues from them, their sweetnesse is so pleasing to vs. Marriage, saith ^y Gualter, detaines many, a thing in it selfe laudable, good, and necessary, but deceiued and carried away with the blinde loue of it, they haue quite laid aside the loue of God, and desire of his glory. Meate and drinke hath overcome as many, whilst they rather strue to please, satisfie their guts and belly, then to serue God and nature. Some are so busied about merchandise to get mony, they loose their owne soules, whilst couetously carried, and with an vn-satiabie desire of gaine, they forget God, as much wee may say of honours, leagues, friendships, health, wealth, and all other profits, or pleasures in this life whatsoeuer. ^z In this world there be so many beautifull objects, splendor and brightnesse of gold, maiestie of glory, assistance of friends, faire promises, smooth words, victories, triumphs, and such an infinite company of pleasing beauties to allure vs, and drawe vs from God, that we cannot looke after him. And this is it which Christ himselfe, those Prophets and Apostles so much thunder against, 1. Ioh. 7. 15. dehorte vs from, Loue not the world, nor the things that are in the world, if any man loue the world, the loue of the father is not in him, 16. For all that is in the world, as lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and pride of life, is not of the father but of the world, and the world passeth away and the lusts thereof, but he that fulfilleth the will of God abideth for ever, No man, saith our Sauour, can serue two masters, but he must loue the one & hate the other, &c. and this is that which all the Fathers inculcate. Hee cannot

^r Immortalis
hac visio immor-
talis amor, inde-
fessus amor &
visio.

^f Oforius, ubi-
cunq; visio &
pulchritudo di-
vini aspectus, i-
bi voluptas ex
eodem fonte om-
nisq; beatitudo,
nec ab eius aspe-
ctu voluptas, nec
ab illa voluptas
te aspectus sepa-
rari potest.

^u Leon Hebraeus
Dabitur an-
humana felici-
tas deo cognos-
cendo an aman-
do terminetur.

^x Lib. de anima
Ad hoc obiectum
amandum &
fruendum nata
su mus, & hunc
expetisset uni-
cum, hunc amas-
set humana vo-
luntas, ut sum-
mum bonum &
ceteras res om-
nes eo ordine-

^y 9 De repub.
Hom. 19. in
epist. Iohannis
cap. 2. Multos
coniugium dece-
pit, res aliquas
salutaris & ne-
cessaria, eo quod
caco eius amore
decepti, diuini
amoris & glorie
studium in uni-
uersum abiece-
runt, plurimos
cibus & potus
perdit.

^z In mundo
splendor opum,
glorie maiestas,
amicitiarum
praedia, verba-
rum blanditiae,
voluptatum om-
nis generis ille-
cebra, victoria,
triumphi & in-

omnia alia ab amore dei nos abstrahunt, &c.

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^a In Psal. 32.
Dei amicus esse
non potest qui
mundi studiis
delectatur ut
hanc formam
videas munda
cor serena cor
etc.

^b Contemplatio
nis pluma nos
subleuat atq; in-
de erigimur in
sentione cordis
dulcedine con-
templationis.
delinēt 6. de 7.
timoribus.

^c Lib. de victi-
tina. amans deū
sublimia petit
sumptis aliis &
in celum velle
volat, relicta
terra, cupidus
aberrandi cum
sole, luna, stella-
rumq; sacra mi-
lizia, ipso deo
duce.

^d In com. Plat.
cap. 7. ut Solem
videas oculis si-
ori debes solaris.
ut diuinam a-
spicias pulchri-
tudinem demit-
te materiam de-
mitte sensum,
& deum qualis
sit videbis.

^e Avarē quid
inbias hic etc.
pulchrior est qui
te ambit ipsum
visurus ipsum
habiturus.

^f Prov. 8.
Cap. 18. Rom.
Amorem hunc
diuinum totis
viribus amplex-
amini, deum vo-
bis omnis officio-
rum genere pro-
pitium facite.

^g Cap. 7. de pul-
chritudine reg-
na imperia totius
terre & ma-
ris & cali oportet
abigere si
ad ipsum con-
uersus velis in-
feri.

^h Habitus a Deo infusus per quem inclinatur homo ad diligendum deum super omnia.

(^a Austin admonisheth) be Gods friend, that is delighted with the pleasures of the world, make cleane thine heart, purifie thine heart, if thou wilt see this beauty, prepare thyselfe for it. It is the eye of contemplation by which wee must behold it, the wing of meditation which lifts vs up and reares our soules, with the motion of our hearts, and sweetnesse of contemplation, so saith Gregory cited by ^b Bonauenture. And as ^c Philo Iudeus seconds him, hee that loues God will soare aloft and take him wings, and leauing the earth fly vp to heauen, wander with Sunne and Moone, Starres, and that heauenly troupe, God himselfe being his guid. If we desire to see him, we must lay aside all vaine objects, which detain vs and dazell our eyes, and as ^d Ficinus adviseth vs, get vs solar eyes, spectacles as they that looke on the Sunne, to see this diuine beauty, lay aside all materiall objects, all sense, and then thou shalt see him as hee is. Thou couetous wretch, as ^e Austin expostulates, why dost thou stand gaping on this drosse, muck-hills, filthy excrements, behold a farre fairer object God himselfe woos thee, behold him, enjoy him, he is sicke for loue of thee. Cant. 5. Hee inuites thee to his sight, to come into his fayre garden, to eat and drinke with him, to bee merry with him, to inioy his presence for euer. † Wisdome cries out in the streets, besides the gates, in the top of high places, before the citty, at the entrie of the dore; and bids them giue care to her instruction, which is better then gold or pretious stones, no pleasures can be compared to it: leaue all then and follow her; vos exhortor o amici & obsecro. In ^f Ficinus words, I exhort & beseech you, that you would embrace and follow this diuine loue with all your hearts and abilities, and by all offices and endeauours make this so louing God propitious vnto you. For whom alone, saith ^g Plotinus, wee must forsake all the kingdomes and Empires of the whole earth, Sea, Land, and Ayre, if we desire to be engrafted into him, leaue all and follow him.

Now forasmuch as this loue of God, is an habit infused of God, as ^h Thomas holds, 2. 1. quaest. 23. by which a man is inclined to loue God aboue all, and his neighbour as himselfe. Wee must pray to God that hee will open our eyes, make cleere our hearts, that we may be capable of his glorious rayes, & performe those duties that he requires of vs. Deut. 6. and Ios. 23. To loue God aboue all, and our neighbour as our selfe, to keepe his commandements. In this wee knowe, saith Iohn. 5. 2. We loue the children of God, when we loue God and keepe his commandements. This is the loue of God that we keepe his commandements, he that loueth not knoweth not God, for God is loue, cap. 4. 8. and he that dwelleth in loue dwelleth in God, and God in him, for loue presupposeth knowledge, faith, hope, and vnites vs to God himselfe, as ⁱ Leon Hebrews deliuereth vnto vs, and is accompanied with the feare of God, humility, meeknesse, patience, all those vertues, and charity it selfe. For if we loue God, wee shall loue our neighbour, and performe all those duties which are required at our hands, to which we are exhorted. 1. Cor. 13. 4. 5. Ephes. 4. Coloss. 3. Rom. 12. Wee shall not be envious or puffed vp, or boast, disdain, thinke euill, or be prouoked to anger, but suffer all things, endure all things, Endeauour to keepe the unity of the spirit, the bond of peace. Forbeare one another, forgieue one another, cloath the naked, visit the sicke, and performe all those workes of mercy which ^k Cle-

mens Alexandrinus calls amoris & amicitie impletionem & extensionem, the

^l Habitum a Deo infusus per quem inclinatur homo ad diligendum deum super omnia. ⁱ Dial. 1. Omnia conuertit amor in ipsum pulchrum naturam. ^k Syromatum lib. 2.

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extent and complement of loue. And that not for feare or worldly respects, but *ordine ad Deum*, for the loue of God himselfe. This we shall doe if we be truly enamored, but we come short in both, wee neither loue God, nor our neighbour as wee should. Our loue in spirituall things is two, ¹ *defectiue*, ¹ *Greenham*, in worldly things too *excessiue*, there is a iarre in both. We loue the world too much, God too little, our neighbour not at all, or for our owne ends.

Vulgus amicitias utilitate probat.

The chiefe thing wee respect is our commodity, and what wee doe, is for feare of worldly punishment, for vaine-glory, praise of men, or for fashions sake, and such by-respects, not for Gods sake. We neither know God aright, nor seeke, or loue, or worship him as we should. And for these defects, wee inuolue our selues into a multitude of errors, we swarue from this true loue and worship of God, which is a cause vnto vs of vnspeakable miseries, running into both extreames, we become fooles, madmen, without sense, as now in the next place I will shew you.

The parties affected are innmerable almost, and scattered ouer all the face of the earth, farre and neere, and so haue bin in all precedent ages, from the beginning of the world, to these times, of all sorts and conditions. For methods sake I will reduce them to a twofold diuision, according to those two extreames of *Excesse* and *Defect*. Not that there is any excess of diuine worship or loue of God, that cannot be, wee cannot loue God too much, or doe our duties as wee ought, as Papists hold, or haue any perfection in this life, much lesse supererogate, when we haue all done, we are *unprofitable seruants*. But because we doe *aliud agere*, zealous without knowledge, and too sollicitous about that which is not necessary, busying our selues about impertinent, needlesse, idle, & vaine ceremonies, *populo ut placerent*, as the *Iewes* did about sacrifices, oblations, offerings, incense, new moones, feasts, &c. but as *Isay* taxeth them *1. 12. who required this at your hands?* Wee haue too great opinion of our owne worth, that we can satisfie the Law, and do more then is required at our hands, by performing those Euangelicall Counsels, & such workes of supererogation, merit for others, which *Bellarmino*, *Gregory de Valentia*, all their Iesuites, and other champions defend, that if God should deale in rigour with them, some of their *Franciscans* and *Dominicans* are so pure, that nothing could be objected to them. Some of vs againe are too deare, as wee thinke, more diuine and sanctified then others, of a better mettle, greater gifts, & with that proud *Pharisee*, contemne others in respect of our selues, we are better Christians, better learned, choice spirits, inspired, know more, haue speciall reuelation, & know Gods secrets, and thereupon presume & say, & doe that many times, which is not befitting to bee said or done. Of this number are all superstitious Idolaters, Ethnicks, Mahometans, Jewes, Hereticks, ^m Euthusiasts, Diuiners, Prophets, Sectaries, & Scismatics. *Zanchinus* reduceth all Infidels to foure chiefe sects, but I will insist and follow mine owne intended method: all which, with many other curious persons, Monkes, Hermites, &c. may be ranged in this extreame, & fight vnder this superstitious banner, with all those rude Jdiots, & infinite swarmes of people, that are seduced by the. In the other extreame, or in defect, march all those Epicures, Libertines, Atheists, Hypocrites, Infidels, worldly, secure, impenitent, vnthankfull, & carnall minded men, that attribute all to naturall

*m De primis
praeceptis.*

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causes, that will acknowledge no supream power, that haue cauterized consciences, or liue in a reprobate sense: Or such desperate persons as are too distrustfull of his mercies. Of these there bee many subdiuisions, & diuerse degrees of madnesse and folly, some more then others, as shall be shewed in the Symptomes: And yet all miserably out, perplexed, doting, & besides themselves for religions sake. For as ^a Zanchy well distinguisheth, & all the world knowes, Religion is twofold, True or False; False is that vaine superstition of Idolaters, such as were of old, *Greekes, Romans*, present *Mahometans*, &c. ^a *Timorem deorum inanem*, ^o Tully could tearme it; or as Zanchy defines it, *Vbi falsi dij, aut falso cultu colitur deus*, When false gods, ^o or that God is falsely worshipped. And 'tis a miserable plague, a torture of the soule, a meere madnesse, *Religiosa insania*, ^p Meteran calls it, or *insanus error*, as ^q Seneca, a franticke error, or as *Austin*, *Insanus animi morbus*, a furious disease of the soule; † for he that is superstitious, can neuer be quiet. 'Tis proper to man alone, *uni* ^p *superbia, auaritia, superstitio*, saith *Pliny lib. 7. c. 1. atq. etiam post sauit de futu.* ro, which wrings his soule for the present, and to come; The greatest misery belongs to mankind, a perpetuall seruitude, a slavery. ^r *Ex timore timor*, an heauy yoke, the scale of damnation, an intollerable burden. They that are superstitious, are stil fearing, suspecting, vexing themselves with auguries, prodigies, false tales, dreames, idle, vaine workes, vnprofitable labours, as ^s *Bote-* ^r *rus* obserues, *curâ mentis ancipiti versantur*, Enemies to God & to themselves. In a word, as *Seneca* concludes, *Religio Deum colit, superstitio destruit*, superstition destroyes, but true Religion honours. True Religion, *vbi verus Deus verè colitur*, where the true GOD is truly worshipped, is the way to Heauen, the mother of all vertues, Loue, Feare, Deuotio, Obedience, Knowledge, &c. It creares the deiected soule of man, and amidst so many cares, miseries, persecutions, which this world affords, it is a sole ease, an vnspcakable comfort, a sweet reposall, *Iugum suauè & lenè*, a light yoke, an anchor, an ha- uen. It addes courage, boldnesse, & begets generous spirits, although tyrants rage, & persecute, and that bloody *Libtor* or Serjant bee ready to martyr the, *aut lita, aut morere*, (as in those persecutions of the Primitiue Church, it was put in practise, as you may read in *Eusebius* and others) though enemies bee now ready to invade, & all in an uproare, ^t *Si fractus illabatur orbis, impavidos ferient ruina*, though Heauen should fall on his head, hee would not be dismayd. But as a good Christian Prince once made answer to a menacing *Turke*, *facile scelerata hominum arma contemnit, qui dei praesidio tutus est*. Or as ^u *Phalaris* writ to *Alexander*, in a wrong cause, He nor an other enemy could terrify him, for that he trusted in God. *Si Deus nobiscum, quis contra nos?* In all calamities, persecutions whatsoever, as *Dauid* did, *Sam. 2. 22*, he wil sing with him, *The Lord is my rocke, my fortresse, my strength, my refuge, che towre and horne of my saluation, &c.* In all troubles and aduersities, *Psal. 46. 1*, *God is my hope & helpe, still ready to be found, I will not therefore feare, &c.* 'tis a feare expelling feare, hee hath peace of conscience, and is full of hope, which is, saith ^x *Austin*, *vita vita mortalis*, the life of this our mortall life, hope of immortality, the sole comfort of our misery; otherwise as *Paul* saith, wee of all others were most wretched, but this makes vs happy, counterpoising our hearts in all misery, superstition, torments, and is from the Diuell, the author of lyes, but this is from God himselfe, as *Lucian* that *Antiochian* Priest made his

^a De relig. lib. 2
Thef. 1.

^o De nat. deo-
rum.

^p Hist. Belgic.
lib. 8.

^q Superstitio er-
ror insanus est.
epist. 123.

† Nam qui su-
perstitione imbu-
tus est, quietus
esse nunquam po-
test.

^r Greg.

^s Polit. lib. 2.
cap. 13.

^t Hor.

^u Epist. Phalar.

^x In Psal. 3.

his diuine confession in *Y Eusebius, Author nobis de Deo Deus est*, God is the Author of our Religion himselfe, his Vword is our rule, a lanthorne to vs, di-
 stated by the holy Ghost, he plaies vpon our hearts as so many harp-strings,
 and we are his temples, he dwelleth in vs, and we in him.

The part affected of superstition, is the Braine, heart, will, vnderstanding, Soule it selfe, and all the faculties of it, *totum compositum*, All is mad, dotes. And for the extent, as I say, all the world it selfe is the Subiect of it, (to omit that grand sinne of Atheisme) all times haue bin misaffected; past, present, *there is not one that doth good, no not one, from the Prophet to the Priest, &c.* A lamentable thing it is to consider, how many myriads of men this Idolatry & Superstition (for that comprehends all) hath infatuated in all ages, besotted by this blind zeale, which is Religions Ape, Religions bastard, Religions shadow, false glasse. For where God hath a Temple, the Diuel will haue a chappell: where God hath saerifices, the diuel will haue his oblations, where God hath Ceremonies, the diuell will haue his traditions, where there is any Religion, the diuell will plant superstition; and 'tis a pitifull sight to beholde and reade, what tortures, miseries it hath procured, what slaughter of Soules it hath made, how it raged amongst those old *Persians, Syrians, Egyptians, Greekes, Romanes, Tuscans, Gaules, Germans, Brittaines, &c.* *Britannia eam hodie celebrat tam attonitè, saith Pliny, tantis ceremonijs* (speaking of superstition) *ut dedisse Persis videri possit*: The Brittaines are so stupendly superstitious in their ceremonies, that they goe beyond those *Persians*, In all Countries, in all places, superstition hath blinded the hearts of men: in all ages what a small portion hath the true Church euer beene?

Diuisum imperium cum Ioue Daemon habet.

The Patriarchs and their Families, the Israelites a handfull in respect, *Christ* and his Apostles, and not all of them neither. Into what straights hath it bin compinged, a little flocke: how hath superstition on the other side dilated her selfe, errour, ignorance, and barbarisme, folly, madnesse, deceiued, triumphed, and insulted ouer the most wise, discret, and vnderstanding men, Philosophers, Monarchs, all were inuolued and ouer-shadowed in this mist, in more then *Cymmerian* darknesse. At this present, *quot a pars?* How small a part is truly Religious? how little in respect? Diuide the World into sixe parts, and five are not so much as Christians, *Idolaters & Mahometans* possesse almost *Asia, Africke, America, Magellanica*. The kings of *China*, great *Cham, Siam & Bornaye, Pegu, Decan, Marsinga, Iapan, &c.* are *Gentiles, Idolaters*, & many other petty Princes in *Asia-Monomotopa, Congo*, & I know not how many *Negro* Princes in *Africke*, all *Terra Australis incognita*, most of *America*, Pagans, differing all in their seuerall superstitions, & yet all *Idolaters*. The *Mahometans* extend themselues all ouer the great *Turkes* dominions in *Europe, Africke, Asia*; to the *Xeriffes* in *Barbary*, and his Territories in *Fez, Sus, Morocco, &c.* The *Tartar*, the great *Mogor*, the *Sophy* of *Persia*, with most of their dominions & subiects, Iare at this day *Mahometans*. See how the Diuell rageth: Those at oddes, or differing among themselues, some for *Ali*, some for *Enbocar*, for *Acmar & Ozimen*, those foure Doctors, *Mahomet's* successors, & are subdiuided into 72 inferiour Sects, *vas Leo* After reports. The *Iewes* as a company of vagabonds are scattered ouer all parts, whose story, present estate, progresse from time to time, is fully set downe by

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* 2. parte sec.
3. lib. 1. cap. 2.
deinceps.

c Titlemannus
Maginus.

Bredenbachius.

Fr. Alvarezius.

Itin de Abyssinia.

Herbis solium

vescuntur vota.

ry, aquis mento

tenus dormiunt.

&c.

d Bredenbachius.

Iod. a Mezgen.]

c Sec Possivi-

nus, Herbaslein,

Magin. D. Flei-

cher, Iovius.

Hacluit, Purchas

&c. of their er-

rors.

d Deplorat. gen-
tis Lapp.

† Gens supersti-
tioni obnoxia,
religionibus ad-
versa.

Mr * *Th. Iackson* Doctor of Divinity, in his *Comment on the Creede*. A fift part of the World, and hardly that, now professeth CHRIST, but so inlarded and interlaced with severall superstitions, that there is scarce a sound part to be found, or any agreement amongst them. *Presbyter Iohn* in *Africke*, Lord of those *Abyssines*, or *Ethiopians*, is by his profession a *Christian*, but so different from vs, with such new absurdities and ceremonies, such liberty, such a mixture of Idolatry and Paganisme, ^c that they keepe little more then a bare title of Christianity. They suffer Poligamy, Circumcision, stupend fastings, diuoree as they will themselves, &c. and as the Papists call on the Virgin *Mary*, so doe they on *Thomas Didymus* before *Christ*. ^d The Greeke or Easterne Church is rent from this of the West, and as they haue foure chiefe Patriarchs, so haue they foure subdiuisions, besides those *Nestorians*, *Iacobines*, *Syrians*, *Armenians*, *Georgians*, &c. scattered ouer *Asia minor*, *Syria*, *Agypt*, &c. *Greece*, *Valachia*, *Cyrcassia*, *Bulgary*, *Bosnia*, *Albania*, *Illyricum*, *Slavonia*, *Croatia*, *Thrace*, *Servia*, *Rascia*, and a sprinkling amongst the *Tartars*. The *Russians*, *Muscovites*, and most of that great Dukes subiects, are part of the Greeke Church, and still Christians; but as ^e one saith, *temporis successu multas isti addiderunt superstitiones*. In proceffe of time they haue added so many superstitions, that they be rather semi-Christians, then otherwise. That which remaines, is the Westerne Church with vs in *Europe*, but so eclipsed with severall schismes, heresies and superstitions, that one knowes not where to find it. The Papists haue *Italy*, *Spaine*, part of *Germany*, *France*, *Poland*, and a sprinkling in the rest of *Europe*. In *America* they haue all that which *Spaniards* inhabite, *Hispania nova*, *Castella Aurea*, *Peru* &c. In the East *Indies*, the *Philippine*, some small holdes about *Goa*, *Malacha*, *Ormuz* &c. which the *Portugall* got not long since, and those land-leaping *Iesuits* haue assaid in *China*, *Iapan*, as appeares by their yearely letters. In *Africke* they haue *Melinda*, *Quiloa*, *Mombaza*, &c. & some few townes, they drive out one superstition with another. *Poland* is a receptacle of all Religions, where *Samosetans*, *Arrians*, *Anabaptists* are to be found, as well as in some *German cities*. *Scandia* is Christian, but as *Damianus A* goes that *Portugall Knight* complaines, so mixt with Magick, Pagan Rites and Ceremonies, they may be as wel counted Idolaters: which *Tacitus* formerly said of a like Nation, is verified in them, † *A people subiect to superstition, contrary to Religion*: Yet very superstitious, like our wild *Irish*: the remnant are *Caluinists*, *Lutherans*, In *Germany* equally mixt: *Sweden*, *Denmarke*, *France*, *Brittaine*, more defecate then the rest, yet at oddes amongst themselves, and not free from superstition. As a damne of water stopt in one place, breakes out into another, so doth superstition. I say nothing of *Anabaptists*, *Brownists*, *Barrowists*, *Familists*, &c. There is superstition in our prayers, in our hearing of Sermons, besides bitter contentions, inuectiues, persecutions. *Quid queso mi Dorpi*, as *Erasmus* concludes to *Dorpius*, *hisce Theologis faciamus, aut quid preceris, nisi forte fidelem medicum, qui cerebro medeatur*. What shall we wish them, but a good Physitian? But more of their differences, paradoxes, opinions, mad pranks, in the Symptomes. I now hasten to the causes.

SUBSEC. 2.

Causes of Religious melancholy. From the Diuell by miracles, apparitions, oracles. His instruments or factors, politicians, Priests, Impostors, Heretickes, blinde guides. In them simplicity, feare, blind zeale, ignorance, solitarinesse, curiositie, pride, vainglory, presumption, &c. his engins; fasting, solitarines, hope, feare, &c.

WE are taught in holy Scripture, that the Diuell rangeth abroad like a roaring Lion, still seeking whom he may deuoure: and as in seuerall shapes, so by seuerall engines and deuices hee goeth about to seduce vs; sometimes he transformes himselfe into an Angell of light, and is so cunning, that he is able, if it were possible, to deceiue the very Elect. Hee will be worshipped as God himselfe, and is so adored by the Heathen, and esteemed. And in imitation of that diuine Power, as ^h Eusebius obserues, ⁱ to abuse or emulate Gods glory, as Dandinus addes, hee will haue all homage, sacrifices, oblations, and whatsoeuer else belongs to the worship of God, to be done likewise vnto him, & by this meanes infatuates the World, deludes, intrappes, and destroyes many a thousand soules. Sometimes by dreames, visions (as God to Moses by familiar conference) the Diuell in seuerall shapes talkes with them, in the Indies 'tis common, and in China nothing so familiar, as apparitions, inspirations, oracles, by terrifying them with false prodigies, counterfeite miracles, sending stormes, tempests, diseases, plagues, (as of old in Athens there was Apollo Alexiachus, Apollo ^h pestifer & malorum depulsor) raising warres, seditions, by spectrums, troubling their Consciences, driving them to despaire, terrors of minde, intollerable paines, by promises, rewardes, benefites, & faire meanes, he raiseth such an opinion of his Diety & greatnesse, that they dare not doe otherwise then adore him, doe as he will haue them; they dare not offend him. & to compell them the more to stand in awe of him, ¹ he sends and cures diseases, disquiets their spirits (as Cyprian saith, torments and terrifies their soules, to make them adore him, and all his study, all his endeauiour is to diuert them from true religion, to superstition: & because he is damned himselfe, and in an erreur, he would haue all the world participate of his errors, & be damned with him. The primum mobile therefore, & first mouer of all superstition, is the Diuell, that great enemy of mankind, the principall agent, who in a thousand seuerall shapes, after diuerse fashions, with seuerall engines, illusions, and by seuerall names hath deceiued the Inhabitants of the earth, in seuerall places and countries, still reioicing at their falls. All the world ouer, before Christs time, he freely domineered, and held the soules of men in most slavish subiection, saith ^m Eusebius, in diuerse formes, ceremonies, and sacrifices, till Christs coming. As if those Diuels of the Ayre had shared the earth amongst them, which the Platonists held for gods, ([†] *Idus deorum sumus*) & were our Gouvernours & keepers. In seuerall places,

^g Plato in Crit. Demones, custodes sunt hominum, & eorum domini, ut nos animalium, nec hominibus, sed & regionibus imperant, vaticinijs, augurijs, somnijs, oraculis, nos regunt.

^h De preparat. Evangel.

ⁱ Vel in abusu dei, vel in emulationem. Dandinus com. in lib. 2. Arist. de An. Text. 29.

^k Demones consulant, & familiares habent demones plerique sacerdotes. Riccius lib. 1. cap. 10. expedit. Sinar.

^l Vitijs turbant, somnos inquietant, irrepentes etiam in corpora, mentes terrent, valetudinem frangunt, morbos lacerant, ut ad cultum sui cogant, nec aliud his studium, quam ut a vera religione, ad superstitionem vertant, cum sint ipsi penales, quoniam

vult sibi ad penas comites ut habeant, erroris participes. ^m Lib. 4. preparat. Evangel. cap. Tantamq. victoriam amant in hominum consequuti sunt, ut si colligere in unum velis uniuersum orbem, istis scelestis spiritibus subiectum fuisse inuenies. Vsq. ad saluatoris adventum hominum eade, per uitiisissimos demones placabant. &c. [†] Plato.

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Strozius, Ci-
cogna omnis.
mag. lib. 3. cap. 7
Ezech. 8. 4.
Reg. 11. 4. Reg. 3
E. 17. 24. 1er.
49. Numb. xi.
3. Reg. 13.

Lib. 4. cap. 3.
p. 1. par.

† Bap. Mant. 4.
Fap. de Sancto
Georgia.

† Part. 1. cap. 1.
Lib. 2. cap. 9.
† Polid. Virg.
lib. 1. de prod. 12.

† Hor. lib. 3. od. 6

† Gratā lege me-
dicaſtis mulieres
Dion. Halicarn.
† Tully de nat.
deorum lib. 2.
† Equa Venus
Teucris, Pallas
iniqua fuit.
† Io. Melanhus
lib. 3. cap. 59.
† Pet. Oliver. de
Iohanne primo
Portugallie Re-
ge. Strenue pug-
nans, & adver-
ſe partis iclus
chryſeo excipiens.
† L. 14. Loculos
ſponte aperuiſſe,
& pro iis pug-
naſſe.

they had ſeverall rites, orders, names. ⁿ Adonided amongſt the Syrians, Adra-
milech amongſt the Capernautes, Aſinia amongſt the Emathites; Aſtartes
with the Sydonians; Aſteroth with the Paleſtines; Dagon with the Philaſtines;
Tartari with the Hanai; Melchoni amongſt the Ammonites; Beli the Babylo-
nians, Beelzebub and Baal with the Samaretans & Moabites, Iſis & Oſyris a-
mongſt the Egyptians, Apollo at Delphos, Iupiter at Rome, Venus at Cyprus,
Diana at Ephesus, Pallas at Troy, &c. And euen in theſe our daies, both in the
Eaſt & Weſt Indies, in Tartary, China, Iapan, &c. What ſtrange Idols, in what
prodigious formes, with what abſurd ceremonies are they adored? See but
what Vertomannus l. 5. c. 2. Marcus Polus, Leriſ, Benzo, P. Martyr in his Ocean
Decades, and Mat. Riccius expedit. Chriſt. in Sinas lib. 1. relate. • Euſebius wo-
nders how that wiſe city of Athens, & flouriſhing kingdomes of Greece ſhould
be ſo beſotted, and we in our times, how thoſe witty China's, ſo perſpicaci-
ous in all other things, ſhould be ſo gulled, ſo tortured with ſuperſtition, ſo
blinde as to worſhip ſtockes and ſtones. But it is no maruell, when we ſee all
out as great effects amongſt Chriſtians themſelues: how are thoſe Anabap-
tiſts, Arrians, and Papiſts aboue the reſt, miſerably infatuated. Mars, Iupiter,
Apollo, & Aſculapius, haue reſigned their intereſt names & offices to Saint
George, + Maxime bellorum rector, quem noſtra iuuentus
Pro Maxorte colit.

St Chriſtopher, and a company offiſtitious Saints, Venus to the Lady of Lan-
retta. And as thoſe old Romanes had ſeverall and diſtinct gods, for all diſtinct
offices, perſons, places, ſo haue they Saints, as Lauater well obſerues out of
Lactantius, *mutato nomine tantum*, tis the ſame diuell that deludes them ſtill.
The manner how, as I ſay, is by rewardes, promiſes, terrors, affrights, puniſh-
ments, In a word Hope & Feare. How often hath Iupiter, Apollo, Bacchus and
the reſt, ſent plagues in Greece & Italy, becauſe their ſacrifices were negle-
cted, † *Dij multa neglecti dederunt*

Hesperie mala luctuosa. to terrifie them,
to rounze them vp, and the like: ſee but Liuy, Dionyſius Halicarnaffeus, Thuci-
dides, Pauſanias, Philoſtratus, &c. What prodigies & miracles, dreames, viſi-
ons, predictions, apparitions, oracles, haue beene of old at Delphos, Dodona,
what ſtrange cures performed by Apollo & Aſculapius? Iuno's Image, & that
of Fortune, ſpake, † Caſtor & Pollux fought in perſon for the Romanes againſt
Hannibals Army, as Pallas, Mars, Iuno, Venus, for Greekes and Troians, &c. A-
mongſt our Pſeudocatholickes, nothing ſo familiar as ſuch miracles, how
many cures done by our Lady of Lauretta: at Sichem, of old at our S. Thomas
Shrine, &c. † S. Sabine was ſeene to fight for Arnulphus Duke of Spoletto, † S.
George fought in perſon for Iohn the baſtard of Portugall, againſt the Caſtali-
ans. In the battle of Bannoxburne, where Edward the 2, our Engliſh king was
foyled by the Scots, S. Philanus arme was ſeene to fight (if † Heſtor Boethius
doth not impoſe) that was before ſhut vp in a ſiluer capcaſe: Another time
in the ſame author, S. Magnus fought for them. Now for viſions, reuelations,
miracles, not only out of the Legend, out of Purgatory, but euery day come
newes fro the Indies, & at home read the Jeſuits letters, Ribadeneira, Thurfeli-
mus, Aloſta, Lippomanus, Xauerius, Ignatius liues, &c. & tel me what differēce?
His ordinary inſtruments or factors which hee uſeth, as God himſelfe did
good Kings, lawfull Magiſtrates, Patriarchs, Prophets, to the eſtabliſhing of
his

his Church, y are Politicians, Statesmen, Priests, Heretickes, blinde guides, Impostors, Pseudoprophets, to propagate his superstition. And first to begin with Politicians, it hath euer beene a principall axiome with them, to maintaine religion or superstition, they make Religion meere policy, an humane invention, *nihil a què valet ad regendos vulgi animos ac superstitione*, as *Tacitus* & *Tully* hold. Tis ^b that *Aristotle* and *Plato* inculcate in their Politickes, Religion neglected, brings plagues to the City, opens a gap to all naughtinesse. Tis that which all our late Politicians ingeminate. *Cromerus lib. 2. pol. hist. Boetius lib. 3. de incrementis urbium, Clapmarus lib. 2. cap. 9. de Arcanis rerum. Arneseus cap. 4. lib. 2. polit.* Captaine *Machiauel* will haue a Prince by all meanes to counterfeite religion, to be superstitious in shew at least, to seeme to be deuout, frequent holy exercises, honour diuines, loue the Church, affect Priests, as *Numa*, *Licurgus*, and such law-makers were, *non ut his fidem habeant, sed ut subditos religionis metu facilius in officio contineant*, to keepe the people in obedience. But this error of his, *Innocentius lentilettus* a French Lawyer, *Theorem. 9. comment. 1. de Relig.* hath copiously confuted. Many Politicians, I doe not deny, maintaine Religion as a true meanes, & sincerely speake of it without hypocrisie, are truely zealous & religious themselues. Iustice, Religion, Peace, are the three chiefe proppes of a wel-gouern'd commonwealth: but most of them are but *Machiauelians*, counterfeits onely for politicall ends, as knowing *magnè eius in animos imperiū*, & that as *Sabellius* deliueres, *a man without religion, is like an horse without a bridle*. No way better to curb, then superstition, to terrifie mens consciences, & to keep the in awe: they make new lawes, statutes, invent new Religions, ceremonies to their own ends. Therefore, saith *Polybius* of *Licurgus*, *did he maintain ceremonies, not that he was superstitious himself, but that he perceived mortall men more apt to embrace paradoxes, then ought else, and durst attempt no euill thing for feare of the Gods*. This was *Zamolchus* stratagem amongst the *Thracians*, *Numa* plot, when he said he had conference with the *Nympe Ageria*, and that of *Sertorius* with an Heart. So *Mahomet* referred his new lawes to the * *Angel Gabriel*, by whose direction hee gaue out they were made. *Caligula* in *Dion* fained himselfe to be familiar with *Castor* and *Pollux*, and many such, which kept those *Romanes* vnder, who as *Machiauel* proues, *lib. 1. disput. cap. 11. & 12.* were *Religione maxime moti*, most superstitious; and did curbe the people more by this meanes, then by force of armes, or severity of humane lawes. To this end that *Syrean Phrycides*, *Pythagoras* master broched in the East amongst the Heathens first the immortality of the Soule, as *Trismegistus* in *Egypt*, with a many of fained Gods. Those French & Brittain *Druides* in the west first taught, saith *Caesar*, *non interire animas, but after death to goe from one to another, that so they might encourage them to vertue*. 'Twas for a politicke end, and to this purpose the old Poets fained those *Elysian fields*, their *Eacus*, *Minos*, and *Rhadamantus*, those infernall iudges, & those *Stygian lakes*, fiery *Phlegetons*, *Plutoe's* kingdome, and variety of torments after death. 'Tis this which *Plato* labours for in his *Phadon*, & *9. de repub.* the *Turkes* in their *Alcoran*, when they set downe rewards, and seuerall punishments for euery particular vertue and vice, & when they perswade men, that they that die in battle, shall goe directly to heauen, &c. A *Tartar* Prince, saith *Marcus Polus*, *lib. 1. cap. 28.* called *Senex de montibus*, the better to establish

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Religion, as they hold, is policy, invented alone to keepe men in awe.

² 1. *Annal.*

² Omnes religionem mouentur. 5. in verrem.

^b *Zeleuchus.*

præfat. legis, qui urbem aut regionem inhabitant, persuasus esse oportet esse Deos, 1. de legibus. Religio neglecta, maximam pestem in ciuitatem infert. omnium scelerum fenestra aperit.

^c *Lipsius* 1. 1. c. 3.

^d *Homo sine religione, sicut equus sine freno.* Lib. 10.

Idem *Lycurgus*, &c. non quod ipse superstitiosus, sed quod videret mortales paradoxa facilius amplecti, nec res graves audere sine periculo eorum.

* *Cleonardus* *epist. 1. Novas leges suas ad Angelum Gabrielem referebat, quo monitore mentiebatur omnia se gerere.*

[†] *Lib. 6. belli Gallici. Ut metu mortis neglecto, ad virtutem incitarent.*

[†] *De his, lege Lucianum de lucin To. 1. Homer. Odiss. 11. Virg. Æn. 6. Caelum lib. 6.*

⁸ *Poterius.*

[†] *Ei 3. de reipub. omnis institutio adolescentum eo referenda, ut de deo bene sentiant, ob commone bonum.*

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h Circa quam,
viridarium
plantavit maxi-
mum, & pul-
cherrimum, flo-
ribus odoriferis,
& suavis
fructibus plenū,
&c.
i Potum quen-
dam dedit, quo
inebriatus, &
gravi sopore op-
pressus, in viri-
darium interm-
ducebatur, &c.
k Atq; iterum
memoratum po-
tum bibendum
exhibuit, & sic
extra Paradi-
sum reduxit, ut
cum evigilaret,
sopore soluto, &c.

his government amongst his subiects, and to keepe them in awe, found a cō-
venient place in a pleasant valley, environed with hills, in ^h which hee made a
delitious Parke full of all odoriferous flowres and fruits, and a Pallace full of all
worldly contents, that could possibly be deuised, Musicke, Pictures, variety of
meats, &c. and chose out a certaine young man, whom with a ⁱ soporiferous
potion, he so benumbed, that he perceaued nothiug: and so fast asleepe as hee
was, caused him to be conueyed into this faire garden. Where after hee had li-
ued a while, in all such pleasures a sensuall man could desire, ^k He cast him in-
to a sleepe againe, and brought him forth, that when hee waked hee might tell o-
thers he had beene in Paradise: The like he did for Hell, and by this meanes
brought his people in subiection. Many such tricks and impostures are acted
by Politicians in China especially, but with what effect I will discourse in the
Symptomes.

Next to Politicians, if I may distinguish them, are our Priests, (for they
make Religion Policy) if not farre beyond them, for they domineere ouer
Princes and Statesmen themselves. *Carnificinam exercent*, one saith, they
tyrannize ouer mens consciences, more then any other tormentors whatso-
ever. Partly for their commoditie and gaine, for soueraignty, credit to main-
taine their state and reputation out of *Ambition* and *Avarice*, which are
their chiefe supporters. What haue they not made the common people to
beleue? Impossible in nature, incredible things, what devices, traditions,
ceremonies, haue they not invented in all ages to keepe men in obedience,
to enrich themselves? *Quibus quaesui sunt capti superstitione animi*, as *Livy*
saith. Those *Egyptian* Priests of old got all the soueraignty into their hands,
and knowing, as *Curtius* saith, *nulla res efficacius multitudinem regit quam*
superstitio, melius uatibus quam ducibus parent, uanā religione capti, etiam im-
potentes femina, the common people will sooner obey Priests then Cap-
taines, and nothing so forcible as superstition, or better then blinde zeale to
rule a multitude; haue so terrified and gulled them, that it is incredible to re-
late. All nations almost haue beene besotted in this kinde, amongst our *Brit-*
taines & old *Gaules* the *Druides*, *Magi* in *Persia*, *Philosophers* in *Greece*, *Chal-*
deans amongst the *Oriental*, *Brachmani* in *India*, *Gymnosophistes* in *Ethi-*
opia, the *Turditanes* in *Spaine*, *Augures* in *Rome*, haue insulted, *Apollō's* Priests
in *Greece*, by their oracles and phantasmes, *Amphiaræus* and his companions;
now *Mahometan*, & *Pagan* Priests, what doe they not effect? How doe they
not infatuate the world? But aboue all others that high Priest of *Rome*, that
three-headed *Cerberus* hath plaid his part. ^u *whose religion at this day is meere*
policy, a state wholly composed of superstition & wit, and needes nothing but wit
and superstition to maintaine it, that useth Colleges and religious houses, to as
good purpose as forts and castells, and doth more at this day by a company of
scribbling Parasites, fiery spirited Friars, zealous Anachorites, hypocriticall
confessors, and those Pretorian souldiers, his Ianifary Iesuits, that now stand
in the forefront of the Battle, ^a *Excipiunt solā totius vutnera belli,*
and fight alone almost, then euer he could haue done by garrisons & armies.
What power of Prince, or poenall law, bee it neuer so strict, could enforce
men to doe that which for conscience sake they will voluntarily vndergoe?
As to fast from all flesh, abstaine from marriage, abandon the world, wilfull
pouerty, performe canonicall and blinde obedience, to prostrate their goods,
fortunes,

ⁱ Lib. 4.ⁱⁱ Lib. 4.^u *St. I. Sands.*^a *Eucian.*

fortunes, bodies, liues, and offer vp themſelues at their ſuperiours feet, at his command? What ſo powerfull an engin as ſuperſtition? which they right well perceauing, are of no religion at all themſelues. *Primum enim* (as Caluin rightly ſuſpects, the tenor & practiſe of their liſe proues) *arcano illius Theologiae, quod apud eos regnat, caput eſt, nullum eſſe deum.* They hold there is no God, as *Leo 10.* did, *Hildebrand* the *Magitian*, *Alexander* the 6. *Julius 2.* meere Atheiſts, and what is ſaid of Chriſt, to be fables and impoſtures, of heauen and hell, day of iudgement, Paradiſe, Immortality of the ſoule, are all

P Rumores vacui, verbaq; inania,

Et par ſollicito fabula ſomnio.

Dreames, toyes, and old wiues tales. Yet as ſo many whetſtones that make other tooles cut, but cut not themſelues, though they be of no religion at all they will make others moſt devout & ſuperſtitious, by promiſes & threats, compell, to enforce from, and lead them by the noſe like ſo many beares in a line; When as their end is not to propagate the Church, advance Gods kingdome, ſeek his glory or common good, but to enrich themſelues, to enlarge their territories, to domineere & compell them to ſtand in awe, to liue in ſubiectiō to the Sea of Rome. As well may witneſſe their intolerable covetouſneſſe, ſtrange forgeries, fopperies, fooleries, vnrigheteous ſubtilties, impoſtures, illuſions, new doctrines, paradoxes, traditions, falſe miracles, which they haue ſtill forged, to enthrall and ſubiugate them, to maintaine their owne eſtates. One while by Bulls, Pardons, Indulgences, and their doctrine of good workes, that they bee meritorious, hope of heauen by that meanes, they haue ſo fleeced the commonalty, and ſpurred on this free ſuperſtitious horſe, that he runnes himſelfe blinde, and is as an Aſſe to carry burdens. They haue ſo amplified *Peters* Patrimony, that from a poore Biſhop, he is become *Rex Regum, Dominus dominantium*, a Demi-God, as his *Canonists* make him, *Felinus* and the reſt, about God himſelfe. And for his wealth and temporalties, is not inferiour to many kings; his Cardinals Princes companions, and in every kingdome almoſt, Abbots, Priors, Monks, Friars, &c. and his Cleargy haue ingroſſed a third part, halfe, in ſome places all into their hands. Three Prince Electors in Germany Biſhops, beſides *Magdeburge, Spire, Saltsburge, Breme, Bamberge, &c.* How many Townes in every kingdome hath ſuperſtition enriched? What a deale of mony by muſty reliques, Images, haue their Maſſe Priests ingroſſed, and what ſummes haue they ſcraped by their other trickes; *Lauretum* in Italy, *Walsingham* in England, in thoſe dayes, *Vbi omnia auro nitent*, ſaith *Eraſmus*, *S. Thomas* ſhrine &c. may witneſſe. † *Delphos* ſo renowned of old in Greece for *Apollo's* oracle, *Delos commune conciliabulum & emporium ſolâ religione munitum*, *Dodona*, whoſe ſame and wealth were ſuſtained by religion, were not ſo rich, ſo famous. If they can get but a relique of ſome Saint, the Virgin *Maries* picture, or the like, that Citty is for euer made, it needs no other maintenance. Now if any of theſe their impoſtures, or iugling trickes be controuerted, or called in queſtion: If a magnanimous and zealous *Luther*, an heroicall *Luther*, as * *Dithmarus* calls him, dare touch the Monkes bellies, all is in a commuſtion, all is in an uproare: *Demetrius* and his aſſociats are ready to pull him in peeces, to keepe vp their trade. † *Great is Diana of the Ephesians*: With a mighty ſhout of two houres long they will roare and not be pacified.

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¶ *Seneca.*

¶ *Vice cotis, acutum Reddere que ferrum valet exors ipſa ſecundâ.*

¶ Seeking their owne, ſaith *Paul*, not Chriſts.

¶ He hath the Dutchy of *Spoleto* in Italy, the *Marquisat* of *Ancona*, beſide *Rome*, and the territories adiacēt, *Bologne, Ferrara, &c.* *Avinion* in France, &c.

¶ *Eſtote fratres mei, & principes huius mundi*, words of their creation.

¶ The Laity ſuſpect their greatneſſe, witneſſe thoſe ſtatues of mortmaine.

† *Pauſanias* in *Laconicis* lib. 3.

Idem de Achaicis lib. 7. cuius ſumma opes, & valde intelyta fama.

* *Exercit. Et hic. Colleg. 3. diſput. 3.*

† *Acts 19. 28.*

* Pontifex Ro-
manus prorsus
inermis regibus
terre iura dat,
ad regna evehit,
ad pacem cogit,
et peccantes ca-
pit, &c. quod
Imperatores Ro-
mani 40 legio-
nis armati
non effecerunt.
† Morsum quan-
ta pressus sit H.
‡ quomodo se
tutum sit, ease
futurum, polli-
cetes, quorum
vobis ne priva-
tus quidem par-
te nesceret.
§ Significat 9.
hyst. ital.
¶ Carolus 4.
Fox Martyrol.

† Hierocles co-
rēds Apollonius
to have bin
as great a Pro-
phet as Christ,
whom Eusebius
confutes.

Now for their authority, what by auricular confession, satisfaction, pen-
nance, Peters keyes, thundrings, excommunications, &c. roaring bulls, this
high Priest of Rome, shaking his Gorgons head, hath so terrified the soule of
many a silly man, insulted ouer maiesty it selfe, and swaggered generally ouer
all Europe for many ages, & still doth to some, holding them as yet in slavish
subiection, as neuer tyrannizing Spaniards did by their poore Negroes, or
Turkes by their Gally-slaues. * The Bishop of Rome (saith Stapleton, a parasite
of his, de mag. Eccles. lib. 2. cap. 1.) hath done that without armes, which those
Roman Emperours could neuer atchieue with 40 legions of souldiers, depoted
Kings, and crowned them againe with his foot, made friends, and corrected
at his pleasure, &c. † Tis a wonder saith Machiavel, Florentine hist. lib. 1. what
slavery King Henry the second endured for the death of Th. Becket, what things
he was entoynd by the Pope, and how he submitted himselfe to doe that which in
our times a private man would not endure, and all through superstition. ‡ Hen-
ry the fourth, depoted of his Empire, stood bare-footed with his wife at the
gates of Canossus. § Fredericke the Emperour was troden on by Alexander
the third. Another held Adrians stirrup: King Iohn kissed the knees of Pan-
dolphus the Popes Legat, &c. What made so many thousand Christians goe
from France, Brittain, &c. into the holy Land, spend such huge summes of
money, goe a pilgrimage so familiarly to Ierusalem, to creep and couch, but
superstition? What makes them so freely venture their liues, to leaue their
native Countries, to goe seeke martyrdome in the Indies, but superstition?
to be assassins to meet death, murder Kings, but a false perswasion of merite,
of canonicall or blinde obedience which they instill vnto them, and animate
them by strange illusions, hope of being Martyrs and Saints? Such pretty
feats can the Diuell worke by Priests, & so well for their owne aduantage,
can they play their parts. And as if it were not yet enough, by Priests & Po-
liticians to delude mankind, & crucifie the soules of men, hee hath more a-
ctors in his Tragedy, more yrons in the fire, another Sceane of Heretickes,
factious ambitious wittes, insolent spirits, Schismatickes, Impostors, false
Prophets, blind guides, that out of pride, singularity, vaine glory, blinde zeale,
cause much more madnesse yet, set all in an uproare by their new doctrines,
paradoxes, figments, crotchets, make new diuisions, subdivisions, new sects,
oppose one superstition to another, one kingdome to another, Prince and
subiects, brother against brother, father against sonne, to the ruine & destru-
ction of a Common-wealth, to the disturbance of peace, and to make a ge-
nerall confusion of all estates. How did those Arrians rage of old, how ma-
ny did they circumvent? those Pelagians, Manichies, &c. their names alone
would make a iust Volume. How many silly soules haue Impostors still de-
luded, Lucians Alexander, Simon Magus, Apollonius Trianus, Cynops, Eumo, of
whom Florus lib. 3. cap. 19. makes mention, by counterfeiting some new ce-
remonies & juggling trickes, of that Dea Syria, by spitting fire, and the like,
got an armie together of fourtie thousand men, and did much harme: and
that Eudo de Stellis, of whom Nubrigensis speakes, lib. 1. cap. 19. that in King
Stephens dayes, imitated many of Christs miracles, fed I know not how ma-
ny people in the wilderness, and built castles in the Aire, &c. to the seducing
of multitudes of silly soules. In Franconia 1476, a base illiterate fellow tooke
vpon him to be a Propher, & preach, Iohn Beheim by name, a neatherd at Ni-

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cholhausen, he seduced 30000 soules, & was taken by the Commonalty to be a most holy man, come from Heaven. * Tradesmen left their shoppes, women their distanes, servants ranne from their masters, children from their parents, schoolers left their tutors all to heare him, some for novelty, some for zeale. Hee was burnt at last by the Bishop of Wartzburge, and so he and his heresy vanished altogether. How many such Impostors, false prophets, haue liued in euery Kings raigne? what Chronicle will not afford such examples? that as so many Ignis fatui, haunted men out of the way, terrified some, deluded others, that are apt to be carried about with the blast of euery winde, a rude incessant multitude, that follow all, & are cluttered together like so many pibbles in a tide. What prodigious follies, madnesse, vexations, persecutions, absurdities, impossibilities, these impostors, heretickes, &c. haue thrust vpon the world, what strange effects, shall be shewed in the Symptomes.

Now the meanes by which, or aduantages the diuell & his infernall ministers take, so to delude & disquiet the World, with such idle ceremonies, false doctrines, superstitions, fopperies, are from themselves, innate feare, ignorance, simplicity, Hope and Feare, those two battering Cannons & principall Engines, with their objects, reward & punishment, Purgatory, Limbus Patrum, &c. with now more then euer tyrannize, † for what Province is free from Atheisme, superstition, Idolatry, schisme, heresy, impiety, their factors and followers? thence they proceede, & from that same decayed Image of God, which is yet remaining in vs. *Os homini sublimè dedit, cælumq; uidere*

Iussit,

our owne conscience

doth dictate so much vnto vs, wee know there is a God, & Nature doth informe vs, *Nulla gens tam barbara* (saith Tully) *cui non infideat hac persuasio deum esse.* There is no Nation so barbarous, that is not perswaded there is a God, The Heauens declare the glory of God, and the Firmament sheweth his handiwork. Psal. 19. Euery creature will euince it. The Philosophers, Socrates, Plato, Plotinus, Trismegistus, Seneca, Epictetus, those Magi, Druides, &c. went as farre as they could by the light of Nature, ¹ *multa praeclara de natura Dei scripta reliquerunt*, writ many things well of the nature of God, but they had but a confused light, a glimpse.

Quale per incertam lunam sub luce maligna

Est iter in sylvis,

as he that walkes

by Moonshine in a wood, they groped in the darke; they had a grosse knowledge, as he in Euripides, *O Deus quicquides, siue cælum, siue terra, siue aliquid*, and that of Aristotle, *Ens entium miserere mei.* So some said this, some that, as they conceiued themselves, which the diuell perceiuing, led them farther out (as ^e Lemnius obserues) and made them worship him as their God, stockes & stones, and torture themselves to their owne destruction, as hee thought fit himselfe, inspired his Priests and Ministers with lies and fictions to prosecute the same, which they for their own ends were as willing to vndergoe, taking advantage of their simplicity, feare and ignorance. For the common people are as a flocke of sheepe, a rude illiterate rout, void many times of common sense, a meere beast, *bellua multorum capitum*, will goe whither-soeuer they are led: as you lead a ramme ouer a gappe by the hornes, all the rest will follow, ^f *Non quæ eundum, sed quæ itur*, they will doe as they see others doe, and as their Prince will haue them, let him be of what Religion hee

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* Munster Cosmog. lib. 3. c. 36. c. Artifices ex officio, arator e. Plin. famina e. colo. &c. quasi numine quodam rapti, nescius parentibus & dominis recta adueniunt, &c. Cymbis suis demum ab Hieropolensi Episcopo, heresis euauit.

† Nulla non provincia heresibus, Atheismis, &c. plena. Nullus orbis annulus absque bellis immunis.

° Lib. 1. de natur. Deorum.

1 Zanchinus.

• Superstitio ex ignorantia dæmonitatis emerfit, ex vitiosa emulatione, & demonis illecebris, inconstans, timens, fluctuans, & cui se addicat, nesciens, quem implet, cui se committat, à dæmone facile decepta. Lemnius lib. 3. cap. 8. Seneca.

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De rerum va-
rietate l.3. c.38.
Parum vero di-
stat sapientia vi-
torum, a puerili,
multo minus se-
rum & mulie-
rum, cum metu
& superstitione,
& aliena stulti-
tia & improbi-
tate simplices a-
gitantur.

In all Super-
stition, wise
men follow
fooles. Baco
Essays.
i Peregrin. Hie-
roscap. 5. totum
scriptum confu-
sum sine ordine
vel colore, absq[ue]
sensu & ratione,
ad rusticissimos
idem dedit ru-
dissimos, & pro-
sua agrestes, qui
nullius erant dis-
cretionis, ut di-
iudicare possent.

Lib. 1. cap. 9.
Valent. heres. 9.
i Meteranus lib.
3. b. i. Belg.

Si Doctores
cum fecissent
officium, & ple-
bem fidei com-
missum recte in-
struissent, de do-
ctrina Christiana
capitib. nec
sacris scripturis
interdixissent, de
multis proculdu-
bis recte sensis-
sent.

he will, they are for him. & And little difference there is betwixt the discreti-
on of men and children in this case, especially of old folkes and women, as Cardan
discourseth, when as they are tossed with feare and superstition, and with other
mens folly and dishonestie. So that I may say, their owne ignorance is a cause
of their superstition, a symptome and madnesse it selfe,

Supplicij causa est, suppliciumq. sui.

their owne

feare, folly, stupidity, to be deplored Lethargy, is that which giues occasion
to the other, and pulls these miseries on their owne heads. For in all these
Religions and superstitions, amongst all Idolaters, you shall still finde, that
the parties first affected, are silly, rude, ignorant people, old folkes, that are na-
turally prone to superstition, weake women, or some poore rude illiterate
persons, that are apt to be wrought vpon, and gulled in this kinde, prone to
beleue any thing. And the best meanes they haue to broach it first, and to
maintaine it when they haue done, is to keepe them still in ignorance: for
Ignorance is the mother of Deuotion, as all the World knowes, and these times
can amply witnesse. This hath beene the Diuels practice, and all his infernall
ministers in all ages, not as our Sauour, by a few silly Fishermen, to cōfound
the wisdom of the world, to saue Publicanes and Sinners, but to make ad-
uantage of their ignorance, to convert them and all their associates, & that
they may better effect what they intend, they begin, as I say, with poore stu-
pid, illiterate persons. So *Mahomet* did when he published his *Alcoron*, which
is a piece of worke (saith *Bredenbachius*) full of non-sense, barbarisme, confusi-
on, without rime, reason, or any good composition, first published to a company of
rude rusticks, hogge-rubbers, that had no discretion, judgement, art, or under-
standing, & is so still maintained. For it is a part of their policy to let no man
comment, dare to dispute or call in question to this day any part of it, bee it
neuer so absurd, incredible, ridiculous, fabulous as it is, it must be beleued
implicitely, vpon paine of death no man must dare to contradict it. What else
doe our Papists, but by keeping the people in ignorance, vent and broach all
their new ceremonies and traditions, when they conceale the Scriptures, &
read it in Latin, and to some few alone, feeding the people in the meane time
with tales out of Legends, & such like fabulous narrations? Whom do they
begin with, but collapsed ladies, some few tradesmen, superstitious old folks,
illiterate persons, weake women, rude, silly companions, or sooner circū-
uent? So doe all our schismatikes and heretikes. *Marcus* and *Valentinian*
heretikes in *Irineus*, seduced first I know not how many women, & made
them beleue they were Prophets. ¹ *Frier Cornelius* of *Dort*, seduced a com-
pany of silly women. What are all our *Anabaptists*, *Brownists*, *Barrowists*,
Familists, but a company of rude illiterate base fellows? What are most of
our Papists, but rude and ignorant blind baiards, how should they otherwise
be, when as they are brought vp and kept still in darknesse. ^m If their Pastors
(saith *Lavater*) had done their dueties, and instructed their flock as they ought,
in the Principles of Christian Religion, or had not forbidden them the reading of
Scriptures, they had not beene as they are. But being so misled all their liues
in superstition, and carried hood winked like so many hawkes, how can they
proue otherwise then blind Idiots, and superstitious Asses: what shall wee
expect else at their hands. Neither is it sufficient to keepe them blind, and in
Cimmerian darknesse, but withall, as a Schoolemaster doth by his boyes,
some

sometimes by good Hope, promises and encouragements, but most of all by Feare, strict discipline, severity, threats and punishment, to make them follow their bookes, doe they collogue and sooth vp their silly Auditors, & so bring them into a fooles Paradise. *Rex eris aiunt, si recte facies*, doe well, thou shalt be crowned; but for the most part by threats, terrors, & affrights, they tyrannize & terrifie their distressed soules: knowing that feare alone is the sole and onely meanes to keepe men in obedience, according to that *hemistichium* of *Petronius*, *Primus in orbe deos fecit timor*, the Feare of some diuine and supreme powers, keepes men in obedience, makes the people doe their duties: they play vpon their consciences, which was practised of old in *Egypt*, by their Priests, when there was an Eclipse; they made the people beleecue God was angry, great miseries to come, they take all opportunities of naturall causes, to delude the peoples senses, and with fearefull tales out of Purgatory, fained apparitions, earthquakes in *Iapona* or *China*, tragical examples of diuels, possessions, obseffions, false miracles, counterfeited visions, &c. They doe so insult ouer, and restraints them, neuer Hoby so dared a Larke, that they dare not offend the least tradition, tread, or scarce looke awry: *Deus bone* (P *Lavater* exclaimes) *quot hoc commentum de Purgatorio miserè afflixit*: good God, how many men haue been miserably afflicted by this fiction of Purgatory.

Curium lib. 4

See more in
Kennisius Examen. Concil. Trident. de Purgatorio.

P *Part. 1. cap. 16*
part. 3. cap. 18.
et 14.

To these advantages Hope and Feare, ignorance & simplicity, he hath seuerall engines, traps, deuices, to batter and enthrall, omitting no opportunities, according to mens seuerall inclinations, habilities, to circumvent and humour them, to maintaine his superstition: sometimes to stupifie, besotte them, sometime againe by oppositions, factions, to set all at oddes, and in an uproare, sometimes hee infects one man, & makes him a principall agent, sometimes whole Citties, Countries. If of meaner sort, by stupidity, blinde Canonick obedience, blinde zeale, &c. If of better note, by pride, ambition, vainglory. If of the Clergie, and more eminent of better parts then the rest, more learned, eloquent, he puffes them vp with a vaine conceit of their own worth, *scientiâ inflati*, they beginne to swell and scorne all the world in respect of themselves, & thereupon turne heretickes, schismaticks, broach new doctrines, frame new crotchets, & the like, or else out of too much learning become mad, or out of curiositie, they will search into Gods secrets, and cate of the forbidden fruite, or out of presumption of their holinesse and good gifts, inspirations, become Prophets, *Enthusiasts*, & what not. Or else if they be displeased, discontent, and haue not (as they suppose) preferment to their worth, haue some disgrace, repulse, neglected, or not esteemed as they fondly value themselves, or out of emulation, they begin presently to rage and raue, *aelum terra miscent*, they become so impatient in an instant, that a whole kingdome cannot containe them, They will set all in a combustion, all at variance, to be reuenged of their aduersaries. *Donatus* when he saw *Cecilianus* preferred before him in the Bishopricke of *Carthage*, turned hereticke, and so did *Arian*, because *Alexander* was aduanced; we haue examples at home, and too many experiments of such persons. If they bee Lay men of better note, the same engines of pride, ambition, emulation, & iealousie take place, they will be gods themselves, *Alexander* in *India* after his victories, became so insolent, hee would be adored for a God, and those *Romane* Emperours

Austin.

Curium lib. 8

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Lampridius
vita eius. Virgi-
nes vestales, &
sacrum igne Ro-
me extinxit, &
omnes ubiq; per
orbem terræ re-
ligiones, unum
hoc studens, ut
solus deus colere-
tur.

† Flagellatorum
secta. Munster.
lib. 3. Cosmogr.
cap. 19.

⁂ Potum celi.
batum, monacha-
rum.

⁂ Mater sani-
tatis, clavus ce-
lorum, ala anime
que leves pen-
nas producat, ut
in sublimē ferat,
currus spiritus
sancti, vexillum
fidei, porta para-
disi, vita angelo-
rum, &c.

⁂ Castigo corpus
meum. Paul.
⁂ Mer. encom.

came to that height of madnes, they must haue temples built to them, sacri-
fices, oblations to their Deities, *Divus Augustus, D. Claudius, D. Adrianus, He-*
liogabalus put out the vestall fire at Rome, expelled the Virgins, and banished all o-
ther Religions all over the world, & would be the sole God himselfe. Our Turkes,
China Kings, great Chams, and Mogors, doe little lesse, assuming diuine and
bumbast titles to themselves, the meaner sort are too credulous, & led with
blind zeale, blind obedience, to prosecute & maintaine whatsoeuer their sor-
rish leaders shall propose, what they in pride or singularity, reuenge, vain-
glory, ambition, spleen, for gain, shall rashly maintain & broch, their disciples
make a matter of conscience, of hell & damnation, if they doe it not, and will
rather forsake wiues, children, house & home, lands, goods, fortunes, life it
selfe, then omit or abiure the least title of it, and to advance the cōmon cause,
vndergoe any miseries, turne traytors, assassins, with full assurance & hope
of reward in that other world, that they shall surely merit by it, win Heauen,
be canonized for Saints.

Now when they are throughly possessed with blind zeale, & nussed with
superstition, he hath many other baits to inveagle & infatuate them farther
yet, to make them quite mortified & mad, & that vnder colour of perfection,
to merit by pennance, going wolward, whipping, almes, fastings, &c. Anno
1320. there was a Sect of whippers in Germany, that to the astonishment of
the beholders, lashed, & cruelly tortured themselves. I could giue many o-
ther instances of each particular. But these works so done, are meritorious,
ex opere operato, ex condigno, for themselves & others, they murther and con-
sume their bodies. *specie virtutis & umbrâ*, those Euangelicall counsels are
propounded, as our Pseudocatholicks call them, Canonick obedience, wil-
full pouerty, & vowes of chastity & monkery, & a solitary life, which extend
almost to all Religions and superstitions, to Turkes, Chinas, Gentiles, *Abys-*
sines, Greekes, Latines, and all Countries. Amongst the rest, fasting, contem-
plation, solitarines, are as it were certain Rammes, by which the diuell doth
batter and worke vpon the strongest constitutions. *Nonnulli* (saith Peter Fo-
restus) *ob longas in edias, studia & meditationes caelestes, de rebus sacris & reli-*
gione semper agitant, by fasting ouermuch, and diuine meditations, are over-
come. Not that fasting is a thing of it selfe to be discommended, for it is an
excellent meanes to keep the body in subiection, ⁂ a preparatiue to deuoti-
on, the Physick of the Soule, by which chaste thoughts are ingendred, true
zeale, a diuine spirit, whence wholesome counsels do proceed, concupiscence
is restrained, vicious and predominate lusts and humours are expelled. The
Fathers are very much in commendation of it, & as Calvin notes, sometimes
immoderate. The mother of health, key of heauen, a spirituall wing to create vs,
the chariot of the holy Ghost, banner of Faith, &c. And 'tis true they say of
it, if it bee moderately and seasonably vsed, by such parties as Moses, Elias,
Daniel, CHRIST, and as his ⁂ Apostles made vse of it, but when by this
meanes they will supererogate, and as ⁂ Erasmus well taxeth, *Calum*
non sufficere putant suis meritis, Heauen is too small a Rewarde for
it: They make choice of times and meats, buy and sell their merits, and at-
tribute more to them then to the ten Commandements, and count it a grea-
ter sinne to eate meate in lent, then to kill a man: And as one saith, *Plus re-*
spiciant assum piscem, quam Christum crucifixum, plus salmonem quam Solo-

monem, quibus in ore Christus, Epicurus in corde, when some counterfeits, and some attribute more to such workes of theirs then to Christs death and passion, the divell sets in a foot, strangely deludes them, & by that meanes makes them to overthrow the temperature of their bodies, and hazard their soules. Never any strange illusion of divels amongst Hermits, Anachorites, never any visions phantasies, apparitions. Enthusiasmes, Prophets, any revelations, but immoderate fasting, bad diet, sicknesse, melancholy, solitarinesse, or some such things were the precedent causes, the forerunners or concomitants of them: The best opportunity and sole occasion the divell takes to delude them. *Marsilius Cagnatius lib. 1. cont. cap. 7.* hath many stories to this purpose, of such as after long fasting haue bin seduced by divels, and ² *it is a miraculous thing to relate (as Cardan writes) what strange accidents proceede from fasting, dreames, superstition, contempt of torments, desire of death, prophecies, paradoxes, madnesse, fasting naturally prepares men to these things.* Monkes, Anachorites and the like, after much emptinesse become melancholy, vertiginous, they thinke they heare strange noyses, conferre with Hobgoblins, divels, rivell vp their bodies, & *dum hostem insequimur*, saith Gregory, *civem quē diligimus trucidamus*, they become bare Skeletons, skinn and bones. *Carnibus abstinentes proprias carnes devorant, et nil præter cutem & ossa sibi reliquunt.* *Hilarion*, as ^a *Hierom* reports in his life, was so bare with fasting, that the skin did scarce sticke to the bones, for want of vapors he could not sleep, & for want of sleepe became idle headed, and heard every night infants crie, oxen lowe, wolves howle, Lyons roare (as he thought) clattering of chaines strange voices, & the like illusions of divels. Such symptoms are common to those that fast long, are solitarie, giuen to contemplation, overmuch solitarinesse and meditation. Not that these things (as I said of fasting) are to be discommended of themselves, but very behouefull in some cases and good: sobriety and contemplation ioine our soules to God, as that heathen ^b *Porphyrie* can tell vs. ^c *Extasis* is a taste of future happynesse, by which we are united vnto God, a diuine melancholy, a spirituall wing, *Bonaventure* tearmes it, to lift vs vp to heauen. But as it is abused, a meere dotage, madnesse, a cause and symptome of Religious melancholy. If you shall at any time see (saith *Guarinerius*) a religious person over superstitious, too solitary, or much giuen to fasting, that man will certainly be melancholy, thou maist boldly say it, he will be so. *P. Forestus* hath almost the same words, and ^e *Cardan* subtil. lib. 18. & cap. 40. lib. 8. de rerum varietate. solitarines, fasting, and that melancholy humour, are the causes of all Hermits illusions. *Lavater* de spect. cap. 19 part. 1. and part. 1. cap. 10, puts solitarines a maine cause of such spectrums and apparitions, none, saith he, so melancholy as Monkes and Hermits, the Divels bath melancholy, & none so subject to visions and dotage in this kinde, as such as live solitary lives, they heare & see strange things in their dotage. ^g *Polidoe* Virgil. lib. 2. de prodigijs, holds that those prophecies and Monkes revelations, Nunnes dreames, which they suppose come from God, doe proceed wholly ab instinctu dæmonum, by the Divels meanes: and so those Enthusiasts, Anabaptists, pseudo-prophets haue the same cause. ^h *Fracastrorius* lib. 2. de intellectu. will haue all your Pythomisses, Sibylles & pseudo-

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² Lib. 8. cap. 10. de rerum varietate. admiratio ne digna sunt que per ieiunium hoc modo contingunt, si rania, superstitio, contemptus tormentorum, meritis desiderium, solitudo, futurorum divinatio, obstinata opinio, insania ieiunium naturaliter præparat ad hæc omnia.
^a Epist. lib. 3. Ita attenuatus fuit ieiunio & vigiliis, in tantum ex eo corpore, ut ossibus vix hæret, unde nocte infantum vagitus, balatus pecorum, magus bouum, voces ludibria dæmonum, &c.
^b Lib. de abstinentia. sobrietas & continentia mentem deo coniungunt.
^c Extasis nihil est aliud quam gustus future beatitudinis (B. rasmus epist. ad Dorpium) in qua toti absorbemur in deum.
^d Si religiosum nimis ieiunia videris observantem, audacter melancholicum pronuntiabis.
Tract. 15 cap. 5.
^e Solitudo ipsa, mors ægra laboribus anxius, & ieiunio, tantum temperatura, ciuius mutata agrestibus, & humor melancholicus heremitis illusionum cause sunt.
^f Solitu do est

causa apparitionum, nulli visionibus & huic delirio magis obnoxii sunt, quam qui collegiis & eremo soli vivunt monachi, tales plerumq; melancholici obiectum & solitudinem. ^g Monachi se putant prophetare ex deo, & qui solitariam agunt vitam, quum sit instinctu dæmonum. & sic falluntur fatidice, a malo genio habent, que putant a deo, & sic Enthusiaste. ^h Sibylle, Pythi, & Prophetæ qui divinare solent, omnes phantastici sunt melancholici.

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i Exercit. cap. 1.

* Post. 15. Die-
vum preces &
ieiunia, mirabiles
videbat visiones.
1 Fol. 84. vult
Stephani & fol.
177. post viuum
mensuram inedi-
am & languo-
rem, per 9 dies
nihil comedens
aut bibens.

m After con-
templation in
an Extasis, so
Hierome was
whipped for
reading Tully,
see millions of
examples in
our Annales,
Bede, Gregory,
Iacobus de Vo-
ragine, Lippoma-
nus, Hierony-
mus, Iohn Maior
de vitis Patrum
&c.

n Fol. 199. post
abstinentia cu-
ras, miras illu-
siones demonum
audivit.

o Fol. 155. post
seriam meditati-
onem in vigiliis
diei dominice,
visionem habuit
de Purgatorio.

p Vbi multos
dies manent iei-
unium consilio sa-
cerdotum auxi-
lia invocantes.

q In Nervo.
manet. Et cibum
quidem glandes erant,
potum aqua lectus sub dio, &c.

do-prophets to be meere melancholy, so doth *Wierus* proue lib. 1. cap. 8. et lib. 3. cap. 7. *Artulanus* in 9. *Rhasis*, that melancholy is a sole cause, and the Divell together, with fasting and solitarines of all such *Sibylline* prophesies, if there were ever any such, which with *Causabon* and others I iustly except at. But howsoever there be no *Sibylles*, I am assured there be other *Enthusiasts*, Prophets, &c. and ever haue beene in all ages, and stil proceeding from those causes. That which *Matthew Paris* relates of the Monke of *Evesham*, that saw heaven and hell in a vision, of *Sir Owen* that went downe into *St. Patricks* Purgatory in king *Stephens* daies, and saw as much: *Walsingham* of him that was shewed the like by *St. Iulian*, *Beda* lib. 5. ca. 13. 14. 15. et 20. reports of king *Sebba* lib. 4. cap. 11. eccles. hist. that saw strange visions, and *Stumphius Helvet. Cronic.* of a cobler of *Basil*, 1520. that saw rare apparitions at *Ausborough* in *Germany*, was still after much solitarinesse, fasting, or long sicknesse, when their braines were addle, and their bellies as empty of meate, as their heads of wit. *Florilegus* hath many such examples, fol. 191. one of Saint *Gulstake* of *Crowlade* that fought with divels, but still after long fasting, overmuch solitarinesse, the divels perswade him there to fast, as *Moses* and *Elias* did, the better to delude him. In the same Author is recorded *Carolus Magnus* vision An. 885. or Extasis, wherein he saw heaven and hell after much fasting & meditation. So did the divell of old with *Apollos* Priests, *Amphiarans* and his fellowes, those *Egyptians*, still enioine long fasting before he would giue any oracles, and *Strabo Geog. lib. 14.* describes *Charons* denne, in the way betwixt *Tralles* and *Nissum*, whether the Priests led sicke and fanatike men: but nothing performed without long fasting, no good to be done. That scoffing *Lucian* conducts his *Menippus* to hell by the directions of that *Chaldean Mithrobarzanes*, but after long fasting, and such like idle preparation. Which the Iesuits right well perceiving, of what force this fasting and solitary meditation is, to alter mens mindes when they would make a man mad, ravish him, and make him goe beyond himselfe, to vndertake some great businesse of moment, to kill a king or the like, they bring him into a melancholy darke chamber, where he shall see no light for many daies together, no company, little meate, gastly pictures of divels all about him, and leaue him to lie as he will himselfe, on the bare flower in this chamber of meditation as they call it, on his backe, side, belly, till by this strange vsage they make him quite madde and beside himselfe. And then after some ten daies, as they finde him animated and resolu'd, they make vse of him. The divell hath many such factors, many such engines, which what effect they produce, you shall heare in these following Symptomes.

Iohn Everardus Britanna-Romani lib. edis. 1611. describes all the manner of it.

SYMPT. 3.

SVBSEC. 3.

Symptomes generall, loue to their owne sect, hate of all other religions, obstinacie, peeuishnesse, ready to vndergoe any danger or crosse for it, martyrs, blind zeale, blinde obedience, fastings, vowes, beliefe of incredibilities, impossibilities: Particular of Gentiles, Mahometans, Iewes, Christians, and in them Heretikes old and new, Schismatickes, Schoolemen, Prophets, Enthusiasts, &c.

FLeat Heraclitus an rideat Democritus, in attempting to speake of these Symptomes, shall I laugh with Democritus, or weepe with Heraclitus, they are so ridiculous and absurd on the one side, so lamentable and tragicall on the other, a mixt Sceane offers it selfe, so full of errours, and a promiscuous variety of obiects, that I know not in what straine to represent it. When I thinke of that Turkish paradise, those Jewish fables, and pontificall rites, those Pagan superstitions, their sacrifices and ceremonies, as to make Images of all matter, and adore them when they haue done, to see them kisse the paxe, creepe to the crosse, &c. I cannot choose but laugh with Democritus: but when I see them whippe and torture themselues, grinde their soules with toyes and trifles, desperate, and now ready to die, I cannot choose but weepe with Heraclitus. When I see a Priest say Masse, with all those apish gestures, murmurings, &c. read the customes of the Iewes Synagogue, or Mahometan Meschites, I must needs laugh at their folly, *risum teneatis amici?* But when I see them make matters of conscience of such toyes and trifles to adore the diuill, to endanger their soules, to offer their children to their Idols, &c. I must needs condole their misery. When I see two superstitious orders contend, *pro aris & focis*, with such haue and hold, *de lana caprina*, some write such great Volumes to no purpose, take so much paines to so smal effect, their Satyrs, inuestiues, Apologies, dull and grosse fictions, when I see graue learned men, raile & scold like butter-women, me thinks 'tis pretty sport and fit for Calphurnius and Democritus to laugh at. But when I see so much blood spilt, so many murders and massakers, so many cruell battels fought, &c. 'tis a fitter subiect for Heraclitus to lament. As Merlin when he sat by the lakes side with Vortiger, and had seene the white and red dragon fight, before he beganne to interpret or to speake, *in fletum prorupit*, fell a weeping, and then proceeded to declare to the King what it meant: I should first pittie and bewaile this misery of humane kinde, with some passionate preface, and then to my taske. For it is that great torture, that infernall plague of mortall men, and able of it selfe alone to stand in opposition to all other plagues, miseries and calamities whatsoeuer, farre more cruell, more pestiferous, more grievous, more generall, more violent, of a greater Extent. Other feares and sorrowes, grievances of body and minde, are troublesome for the time, but this is for ever, eternall damnation, hell it selfe: A plague, a fire, an inundation hurts one Province alone, and the losse may be recovered, but this superstition involves all the world almost, and can never be remedied. Sicknesse and sorrowes come and go, but a superstitious soule hath no rest, *superstitione imbutus animus nunquam quietus esse potest*, no peace, no

*Varius mappa
componere vi-
sum vix poterat.*

*Plena videt
Calphurnius orbem.
Hor.*

*Alanus de
Insula.*

*Cicero 1. de
finibus.*

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quiennesse. True Religion and Superstition are quite opposite, *longè diversa carnisficina & pietas*, as *Lactantius* describes, the one creates, the other dejects; the one is an easie yoke, the other an vntolerable burden, an absolute tyranny; the one a sure anchor, an haven, the other a tempestuous Ocean, the one makes, the other marres, the one is wisdom, the other folly, madness, indiscretion, the one vnfaigned, the other a counterfeite, the one a diligent observer, the other an ape; one leads to heaven, the other to hell. But these differences will more evidently appeare by their particular Symptomes. What Religion is, and of what parts it doth consist, every Catechisme will tell you, what Symptomes it hath, and what effects it produceth: but for this superstition no tongue can tel, no pen can expresse, they are so many, so diuers, so vncertaine, inconstant, and so different from themselves. *Tot mundo superstitiones, quot cælo stellæ*, one saith, there be as many superstitions in the world, as there be starres in heaven, or diuels themselves that are the first founders of them: With such ridiculous absurd Symptomes and signes, so many severall rites, ceremonies, torments and vexations accompanying, as may well expresse and beleeue the diuell to be the author and mainetainer of them. I will onely point at some few of them, *ex ungue leonem*, guesse at the rest, and those of the chiefe kinds of superstition, which beside vs Christians, now domineer and crucifie the world, Gentiles, Mahometanes, Jewes, &c.

*In Michah.
comment.*

Of these Symptomes some be generall, some particular to each private sect: generall to all, are an extraordinary loue and affection they beare and shew to such as are of their owne sect, and more then *Vatinian* hate to such as are opposite in religion as they call it, or disagree from them in their superstitious rites, blind zeale (which is as much a symptome as a cause,) vaine feares, blind obedience, needlesse works, incredibilities, impossibilities, monstrous rites and ceremonies, wilfulnesse, blindness, obstinacy, &c. For the first which is loue and hate, as *Montanus* saith, *nulla firmitior amicitia quam quæ contrahitur hinc, nulla discordia maior, quam quæ à religione fit*, no greater concord, no greater discord, then that which proceedes from Religion. We are all brethren in Christ, seruants of one lord, members of one body, and therefore are or should be at the least dearely beloved, inseparably allyed in the greatest bond of loue and familiarity, vnited partakers not onely of the same crosse, but coadjutors, comforters, helpers, at all times, vpon all occasions: As they did in the Primitiue Church, *Acts* the 3. they sold their patrimonies, and laid them at the Apostles feet, and many such memorable examples of mutuall loue wee haue had vnder the ten generall persecutions, many since. Examples on the other side of discord none like, as our Savior saith, he came therefore into the world to set father against sonne, &c. In imitation of whom the diuell belike (*nam superstitio irrepsit veræ religionis imitatrix*, superstition is still religions ape, as in all other things, so in this) doth so combine and glew together his superstitious followers in loue and affection, that they will liue and die together: and what an innate hatred hath he still inspired to any other superstition opposite? How those old *Romanes* were affected, those ten persecutions may be a witnesse, and that cruell executioner in *Eusebius*, *aut litæ aut morere*, sacrifice or die. No greater hate, more continuat, bitter faction, warres, persecution in all ages, then for matters of religion, no such ferall opposition, father against son, mother against daughter.

Lactantius.

daughter, husband and wife, Citty against Citty, Kingdome against Kingdome: as of old at *Tentira* and *Combos*.

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Immortale odium, & nunquam sanabile vulnus,

Inde furor vulgo, quod numina vicinorum

Odit uterq; locus, quum solos credit habendos,

Esse deos quos ipse colat.

Immortall hate it breeds, a wound past cure,

And fury to the commons still to endure.

Because one Citty to others Gods as vaine,

Deride, and his alone as good maintaine.

The *Turkes* at this day count no better of vs, then of dogs, so they commonly call vs, *Gaures*, Infidels, miscreants, and make that their maine quarrell & cause of Christian persecution. If he will turne *Turke* he shall be entertained as a brother, and had in all good esteeme, a *Muselman* or a beleever, which is a greater tie to them, then any affinity or consanguinity. The *Jewes* sticke together like so many burres, but as for the rest whom they call Gentiles, they doe hate and abhorre, they cannot endure their *Messias* should be a common Saviour to vs all, and rather as *Luther* writes, then they that now scoffe at them, curse them, persecute and revile them, shall be coheires and brethren with them, or have any part or fellowship with their *Messias*, they would crucifie their *Messias* ten times over, and God himselfe, his Angels, and all his creatures, if it were possible, though they did endure a thousand helles for it: Such is their malice towards vs. Now for *Papists*, what in a common cause, for the advancement of their Religion they will indure, our traitors and pseudocatholikes will declare vnto vs, and how bitter on the other side to their adversaries, how violently bent, let those *Marian* times record, the *Spanish* inquisition, the Duke of *Alvas* Tyranny in the Low-countries, the *French* Massakers and Civill warres.

Tantum religio potuit suadere malorum.

Not there onely, but all over *Europe*, we read of bloody battels, racks and wheelles, seditions, factions, oppositions, ———— *obvia signis.*

Signa, pares aquilas & pila minantia pilis,

Investiues and contentions. They had rather shake hands with a *Jew*, *Turke*, or as the *Spaniards* doe, suffer *Moors* to live amongst them, and *Jewes* then Protestants. My name saith *Luther* is more odious to them, then any thiefe or murderer. So it is withall heretikes and schismatikes whatsoever: And none so passionate, violent in their Tenents, opinions, Obstinate, Wilfull, Refractory, Peevish, factious, singular and stiffe in defence of them, they doe not only persecute and hate, but pittie all other Religions, accompt them damned, blind, as if they alone were the true Church, they alone to be saved. The *Jews* at this day are so incomprehensibly proud and churlish, saith *Luther*, that *soli saluari. soli domini terrarum saluari volunt.* And as *Buxdorsius* addes, so ignorant and selfe-willed withal, that amongst their most understanding Rabbines, you shall finde naught but grosse dotage, horrible hardnesse of heart, and stupendous obstinacie, in all their actions, opinions, conversations: and yet so zealous withal, that no man living can be more; and vendicate themselves for the elect people of God. 'Tis so with all other superstitious sects, *Mahometans*, Gentiles in *China* and *Tartarie*, and our Ignorant *Papists*, *Anabaptists*, *Separatists*, & peculiar

Chur.

Inu. Sat. 18.

Comment. in Michab. ferreus possunt ut illo- rum Messias communis seruator sit, nostrum gaudium, &c. Messias vel decem decies crucifixuri essent, ipsumq; deum si id fieri posset, una cum Angelis & creaturis omnibus, nec absterrentur ab hoc facto, nisi mille inferna subeunda forent.

Lucet.

Ad Galat.

comment. meum nomen odiosius quam ullus homicida aut fur.

In comment.

Michab. adeo incomprehensibilis & aspera eorum superbia, &c.

Synagog. Inde- orum ca. 1. inter eorum intelligitissimos Rabbinos nil preter ignorantiam & insipientiam grandem inuenies horrendam inderationem & obliuionem, &c.

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Great is Di-
ana of the E-
phesians, Act. 15

Malum cum
illia insanire,
quam cum illa
bene sentire.

† O Egypte, re-
ligionis tue so-
persunt fabu-
le, æq; incredibi-
les poteris tuis.

‡ As true as
Homers Iliads,
Ovids Meta-
morphosis, Æsops
Fables.

Superstitions
Symptomes
in particular.

† O sanctas gen-
tes quibus hec
nascuntur in
horto Numinis.
Hor. Sat. 15.
* Prudentius
‡ Rosin. Antiq.
Rom. l. 2. c. 1. &
deinceps.

Churches of *Amsterdam*, they alone, & none but they can be saued. & Zealous (as *Paul* saith *Rom. 10. 2.*) without knowledge, they will endure any misery, any trouble, take any paines, fast, pray, vow chastity, wilfull pouertie, forsake all, and follow their Idols, die a thousand deaths rather then abjure, or deny the least particle of that Religion, which their Fathers professe, & they themselves haue bin brought vp in, be it neuer so absurd, ridiculous, they will embrace it, they will take much more paines to goe to hell, then we shall doe to Heauen. Single out the most ignorant of them, convince his vnderstanding, shew him his errors, grossenes, & absurdities of his sect, *Non persuadebis etiam si persuaseris*, he will not be perswaded. As those Pagans told the Jesuits in *Iapona*,^h they would doe as their fore-fathers haue done, & with *Ratholde*, that *Frisian* Prince, goe to hell for company, if most of their friends went thither: They will not be moued, no perswasion, no torture can stirre them. So that Papists cannot brag of their vows, pouerty, obedience, orders, merits, martyrdomes, fastings, almes, good works, pilgrimages, much and more then all this, I shall shew you, is, & hath bin done by these superstitious Gentiles, Pagans, Idolaters: their blind zeale & superstition in all kindes, is much at one; and is it hard to say which is the greatest, which is the grossest. In a word, this is common to all superstition, there is nothing so absurd, so ridiculous, impossible, incredible, which they will not beleue, & willingly performe asmuch as in them lyes. † O *Egypt* (as *Thismegistus* exclaimes) thy religion is fables, and such as posterity will not beleue. I know that in true Religion it selfe, many mysteries are so apprehended alone by faith, as that Trinity, Christs Incarnation, resurrection of the body at the last day, quod ideo credendum (saith *Tertullian*) quod incredibile, &c. many miracles not to be controverted or disputed of. But he that shall but read the *Turkes Alcaron*, the *Jewes Talmud*, and Papists *Golden Legend*, will sweare that such grosse fictions, fables, vain traditions, prodigious paradoxes & ceremonies, could neuer proceed from any other spirit, then that of the diuel himself, which is the Author of all confusion and lies, and wonder withall how such wise men as haue bin of the Jewes, such learned vnderstanding men as *Auerroes*, *Auicenna*, or those heathen Philosophers, could euer be perswaded to beleue, or to subscribe to the least part of them: but I will descend to particulars, read their seuerall Symptomes, and then guesse.

Of such Symptomes that properly belong to superstition, I may say as of the rest, some are ridiculous, some again fearfull to relate. Of those ridiculous, there can be no better testimony then the multitude of their gods, those absurd names, actions, offices they put vpon them, their Feasts, Holy-dayes, Sacrifices, & the like. The *Egyptians* worshipped, as *Diodorus Siculus* records, *Sunne* & *Moone* vnder the name of *Isis* & *Osiris*, and after such men as were beneficiall to them, or any creature that did them good. In the City of *Bubasti* they adored a Cat, saith *Herodotus*, *Ibis* and *Storkes*, an Oxe (saith *Pliny*) † *Leekes* and *Onyons*, *Macrobius*,

* *Porrū & cepe deos imponere nubibus ausi,*

Hos tu Nile deos colis.

The *Syrians*, *Chaldeans* had as many of their own Inventions, see *Lucian de dea Syria*, *Morny cap. 22. de veritat. relig.* *Selden de dijs Syris*, *Purchas Pilgrimage*, *Rosinus* of the *Romanes*, & *Lilius Giraldus* of the *Greekes*. The *Romanes* borrowed

borrowed from all, beside their own, which were *maiorum* and *minorum* gen-
tium, as *Varro* holds, certain & vncertain; some celestiaall select & great ones,
others *Indigites* and *Semi-dei*, *Lares*, *Lemures*, *Dioscuri*, *Soteres*, and *Parasta-*
ta, *dytutelaes* amongst the *Greekes*, gods of all sorts, for all functions; some
for Land, some for Sea; some for Heauen, some for hell; some for passions,
diseases, some for birth, some for weddings, husbandry, woods, waters, gar-
dens, orchards, &c. all actions & offices, *Pax*, *Quies*, *Salus*, *Libertas*, *Felicitas*,
Strenua, *Stimula*, *Horta*, *Pan*, *Sylvanus*, *Priapus*, *Flora*, *Cloacina*, *Febris*, *Pallor*,
Invidia, *Risus*, *Augetonia*, *Voluptas*, *Vacuna*, *Viriplaca*, Kings, Emperours, vali-
ant men that had done any good offices for them, & arrant whores amongst
the rest. For all actions, places, creatures,

Et domibus, tectis, thermis, & equis soleatis

Assignare solent genios —

saith *Prudentius*. *Cuna*

for cradles. *Diueria* for sweeping houses, *Nodina* knots. *Prema*, *Premunda*,
Hymen Hymeneus, *Comus* the god of goodfellowes. *Hesiodus* reckons vp at
least 30000 gods, *Varro* 300 *Iupiters*. as *Ieremy* told them, their gods were to
the multitude of citties,

Quicquid humus, pelagus, cælum miserabile gignit

Id dixere deos, colles, freta, flumina, flammæ.

What euer heauens, sea and land begat,

Hills, Seas and riuers, God was this and that.

That which was most absurd, they made gods vpon such ridiculous occasi-
ons. As children make babies (so saith † *Morneus*) their Poets make gods. *Sa-*
turne a man, gelded himself, did eat his own children, driuen out of his king-
dome by his sonne *Iupiter*, as good a god as himselfe, a wicked lasciuious
paltry king of *Crete*, of whose rapes, lusts, murders, villanies, a whole volume
is too little to relate. When *Romulus* was made away by the sedition of the
Senators, to pacifie the people * *Iulius Proculus* gaue out, that *Romulus* was
taken vp by *Iupiter* into Heauen, & was to be euer after adored for a god a-
mongst the *Romanes*. *Flora* was a rich harlot in *Rome*, & for that she made the
Common wealth her heire, her birth-day was solemnized long after, and to
make it a more plausible Holy day, they made her goddesse of flowres, & sa-
crificed to her amongst the rest. The matrons of *Rome*, as *Dionysius Halicar-*
nassens relates, because at their entreaty *Coriolanus* desisted from his warres,
consecrated a Church *Fortune muliebri*, and † *Venus Barbata* had a temple e-
rected, for that somewhat was amisse about haire, and so the rest. *Tully* writes
to *Atticus*, that his daughter *Tulliola* might be made a goddesse, and adored
as *Iuno* and *Minerva*, and as well she deserued it. Their Holydayes & adora-
tions were all out as ridiculous, those *Lupercalls* of *Pan*, *Florales* of *Flora*, *Bo-*
na dea, *Anna Perenna*, *Saturnals*, &c. as how they were celebrated, with what
gestures, rites, ceremonies, how they hang their noses ouer the smoke of sa-
crifices, saith * *Lucian*, and licke blood like flies, that was spilled about the
Altars. Their carued Idols, Images of wood, brasse, stone, *olim truncus eram*,
&c. were all out as grosse, and the shapes in which they did represent them.
Iupiter with a rams head, *Mercury* a dogges, *Pan* like a goat, some like storks,
apes, bulls, & yet seriously belieued, & all that which was impious & absurd,
they made their gods, notorious whoremasters, as commonly they were all,
as well as *Iupiter*, *Mars*, *Apollo*, *Mercury*, *Neptune*, &c. the eues, slaues,

† Cap. 22. de
ver. rel. Deos fide
xerunt eorum
Poete, ut insati-
um poppas.
* *Liuius* lib. 1.
Deus vobiscum
posterum propiti-
us, *Quirites*.

† *Anth. Verdura*
Imag. deorum.
† *Mulier*es can-
dido splendentes
amicum, e a-
rior, letante se-
stimine, vero fle-
rentes conamine
solum sternerentes,
&c. *Apuleius*
lib. 11. de *Asino*
aureo.

* *Lib. de sacrifici-*
is. Fumo inhi-
antes, & misce-
rum in morem
sanguinem exu-
gentes circum
aras effusura.

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† Dever. relig.
cap. 22. Indigni
qui terram cal-
cent, &c.

in Jupiter Tra-
gedus, de sacri-
ficiis, & passim
alijs.

* 666 severall
kinds of sa-
crifices in E-
gypt, Maior rec-
kons vp, Tom. 2
coll. of which
read more in

cap. 1. of Lauren-
tius Pignorus
his Egypt Cha-
racters, a cause
of which Sa-
nubius giues,
subcil. l. 3. c. 1.

† Herod. Clis.
Immolavit lecta
pecora ter mille
Delphis, una cum
lectis & phialis
aureis & argen-
teis.

* De sacrificiis.
Bucalam pro bo-
na valetudine,
boves quatuor
pro divitiis, cen-
tum tauris pro
sospite in Troiam
reditu, &c.

† Enimvero si
quis reconferet
quæ sunt in mor-
talis in festis, sa-
crificiis, diis a-
dorandis, &c.
quæ vota faci-
ant, quid de iis
saiuant, &c.
haud scio an vi-
surus, &c.

* Solinus.

† Herodotus.

* Superstitiosus
Iulianus innu-
meras sine par-
ticipia pecudes
mactavit, Am-
mianus 25. Boes-
calbi M. Cesari
salutem, si tu
viceris perimus
lib. 3. Romani
observantissimi
sunt ceremonia-
rum bello pre-
sertim.

* Boterus polit. lib. 2. cap. 16.

† Deinde enim placare non est opus, quia non nocet, sed demonem sacrificiis placant, &c.

drudges, as *Apollo* and *Neptune* made tiles in *Phrygia*, vnfit to dwell vpon the earth for their villanies, much lesse in heauen, as *Mormay* well saith, and yet they gaue them out to be such, so weake and brutish, some to whine, lament, & roare as *Mars* in *Homer*, to be wounded, vexed, and the like: that it is no marvell if *Lucian*, & *Pliny* could so scoffe at them & their horrible Idolatry, as they did. If *Diagoras* took *Hercules* Image, and put it vnder his pot to seeth his pottage, which was, as he said, his 13 labour. But see more of their fopperies in *Cypr. 4. tract. de Idol. varietate. Chrysostome aduers. Gentil. Arnob. adu. Gentes. Austen de civ. dei. Theodoret. de curat. Græc. affect. Clemens Alex. andrinus, &c.* Lamentable, tragicall, & fearfull those Symptomes are, that they should be so farre forth affrighted with the insatiable gods, as to spend their goods, liues, fortunes, precious time, best dayes in their honour, to * sacrifice vnto them, to their inestimable losse, so many 1000 Sheep, Oxen, Goats, as *Crasus* king of *Lydia*, * *Marcus Iulianus*, and the rest of the *Roman* Emperours vsually did with such labour and cost: and not Emperours only & great men pro communi bono were at this charge, but private men for their ordinary occasions. *Pythagoras* offered an hundred Oxen for the invention of a Geometrical Probleme, & it was an ordinary thing to sacrifice in * *Lu. cians* time, a heifer for their good health, foure oxen for wealth, an hundred for a kingdom, nine bulles for their safe returne from *Troia* to *Pylus*, &c. besides sheep, cocks, Corals, frankincense, to their vndoings, as if their gods were affected with blood or smoke. And surely (b saith he) if one should but repeate the fopperies of mortall men in their sacrifices, feasts, worshipping their gods, their rites and ceremonies, what they thinke of them, of their diet, houses, orders &c. what prayers and vomes they make, if one should but obserue their absurdity and madnesse, he would burst out a laughing, and pitty their folly. I say nothing of their donaries, pendants, offerings, presents, to these their fictitious gods daily sent. *Alexander* the son of *Mynas* king of *Macedonia*, sent two statues of pure gold to *Apollo* at *Delphos*. *Crasus* king of *Lydia* dedicated an hundred golden tiles in the same place, with a golden Altar: No man came empty handed to their Shrines. But these are base offerings in respect, they offered men themselves, and they did voluntarily vndergoe it, The *Decij* did so sacrifice *Dij's Manibus*. *Curtius* did leap into the gulf. were they not all strangely deluded to goe so farre to their Oracles, to be so gulled by them as they were, both in warre and peace, as *Polybius* relates, and which, Augures, Priests, vestall Virgins can witnesse: to be so * superstitious, that they would rather loose goods and liues, then omit any ceremonies, or offend any Hea-then gods. *Nicias* that generous and valiant Captain of the *Greekes*, ouerthrew the *Athenian* Navy, by reason of his too much superstition, * because the *Augures* told him it was ominous to set saile from the haue of *Syracuse*, whilst the Moone was eclipsed, he tarried so long till his enemies besieged him, & he and all his Army was ouerthrown. It is stupend to relate what strange effects this Idolatry and superstition hath brought forth of later yeares in the *Indies*, and those bordering parts: P in what ferall shapes the † Diuell is adored, ne quid mali intente, as they say, how he terrifies them, how they offer men and women sacrifices vnto him, an 100 at once, as they

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did Infants in Crete to Saturne of old, at Mexico, when the Spaniards first overcame them, how they bury their wiues with them, and burne them alive, best goods, horses, seruants, when a great man dies, 12000 at once amongst the Tartars when a great Chan departs: how they plague themselves, which abstaine from all that hath life, as those old Pythagoreans, with immoderate fastings, as they of China, that for superstitions sake neuer eat flesh nor fish all their liues, neuer marry, but liue in desarts and by-places, & some pray to their Idoles 24 houres together, without any intermission, biting of their tongues when they haue done. Some again are brought to that madness by their superstitious Priests; (that tell them such vain stories of immortality, and the ioyes of heauen in that other life) that many thousands voluntarily break their own neckes, as Cleombrotus Ambrociotus Auditors of old, precipitate themselves, that they may participate of that vnspcakable happinesse in the other world. One poysons, another stranglenth himselfe and the King had done as much, deluded with this vain hope, had he not bin detained by his seruant. But who can tell of their seuerall superstitions, vexations, follies, torments? I may conclude with *Possevinus*, *Religio facit asperos mentes, homines e feris, superstitio ex hominibus feras*, Religion makes wild beasts ciuill, superstition makes wise men beasts and fooles; & the discreetest that are, if they giue way to it, are no better then dizards. nay more, if that of *Plinius* be true, *is unus religionis scopus, ut ei quem colimus similes fiamus*, that's the drift of Religion to make vs like him whom we worship, what shall be the end of Idolaters, but to degenerat into stocks and stones, of such as worship these Heathen gods, for *dij gentium demonia*, but to become diuels themselves? Tis therefore *exitiosus error, & maxime periculosus*, a most perillous and dangerous error of all others, as *Plutarch* holds, *turbulenta passio hominem consternans*, a troublesome passion that vterly vndoeth men. Vnhappy superstition, *Pliny* calls it, *morte non finitur*, death takes away life, but no superstition. Impious and ignorant are farre more happy then they that are superstitious, no torture like to it, none so continue, so general, so destructive, so violent.

In this superstitious row, *Iewes* for antiquity may goe next to *Gentiles*, what of old they haue done, and what Idolatries they haue committed in their groues and high places, what their *Pharisees*, *Sadduces*, *Scribes*, *Essees*, and such sectaries haue maintained, I will not so much as mention: for the present, I presume no nation vnder heauen can be more sottish, ignorant, blind, superstitious, wilfull, obstinate and peeuish, tiring themselves with vain ceremonies to no purpose, he that shall but read their Rabbins ridiculous Comments, their strange interpretation of Scriptures, their absurd ceremonies, fables, childish tales, which they stedfastly belieue, will think they be scarce rational creatures, their foolish ceremonies, when they rise in the morning, & how they prepare themselves to prayer, to meat, with what superstitious washings, how to their Sabbath, to their other feasts, weddings, burials, &c. Last of all, the expectation of their *Messias*, & those figments, miraeles, vain pompe that shall attend him, as how he shall terrifie the *Gentiles*, and overcome them by new diseases, how *Michael* the Archangell shall sound his Trumpet, how he shall gather all the scattered *Iewes* into the holy land, and

guttur inferius ventum emittat, &c. Id. cap. 5. & sequent. cap. 36.

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9 Fer. Cortesius.

1 M. Polus.

Lod. Vertomarus, navig. lib. 6.

cap. 9. P. Martyr

Occan. dec.

1 Matthias &

Michou.

1 Epist. Iesuit.

Ad 1549 & Xa-

uerio & sociis.

Idemq. Ricciu.

expedit. ad Sinat

lib. 1. per totum.

Leimatores apud

eos toto die car-

nibus abstinent

& p sibus, ob

religionem nocte

& die idola co-

lentes, nusquam

egredientes.

1 Ad immorali-

tatem morte a-

spiciunt summi

magistratus, &c

Et multi mortu-

les hac inlaniat,

& prap-fero

immortalitatis

studio laborant,

& misere pere-

unt, rex ipse

clam venenum

hausisset, nisi

seruo faisset de-

tentus.

1 Cautione in

lib. 10. Bodini

de repub. fol. 111

1 Quia ipsius

diaboli ut nequi-

tiam referant.

1 Lib. de Superst.

1 Homini bus

vita finis mors,

non autem su-

perstitionis. pro-

fert hec suas

terminos ultra

vita finem.

1 Ex doris

Synagog. Iud. c. 4

Inter presandam

nimo pedicatos

attingat, vel per-

licem, aut per

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^b Illi omnia animalia, pisces, aves, quos Deus unquam creavit, nascantur, & vinum generosum, &c.

^c Cuius lapsu cedri altissimi 300. decessi sunt, quumq; lapsu olivum fuerat contractum pagi 160. inde submersi, & al-luvione inundati.

^d Every King in the world shall send him one of his daughters to be his wife because it is written Ps. 45. 10. kings daughters shall attend on her &c.

^e Quum quadringentis adhuc miliaribus ab Imperatore Leo hic abesset, tam fortiter rugiebat, ut mulieres Romane abortierint omnes miris, &c. ^f Strozius Cognomif. mag. lib. 1. cap. 1. putida multa recenset ex Alcorano, de celo, stellis, Angelis.

^g Lonicerus cap. 21. 22. lib. 1. ^h Quinquies in die orare Turce tenentur ad me-vidiam, Bredenbachius cap. 5.

ⁱ In quolibet anno mensem integrum ieiunant interdum, nec comedentes nec bibentes, &c.

^k Nullis unquam multis per totam aetatem carnibus vescuntur, Lco Afer.

^l Lonicerus to. 1. cap. 17. 18. ^m Gotardus Arthus cap. 33. hist. orient. Indie opinio est expiatorium esse Gangem, & nec mundum ab omni peccato, nec saluum fieri posse, qui non hoc flumine se abluat, quam ob causam ex tota India, &c.

there make them a great banquet, ^b wherein shall be all the birds, beasts, fishes, that ever God made, and a cup of wine that grew in Paradise, and that hath bin kept in Adams Cellar ever since. At the first course shall be served in that great Oxe in *Job. 4. 10.* that every day feeds on a thousand hills. *Psal. 50. 10.* that great Leviathan, and a great Bird, that laid an Egge so bigge, ^c that by chance tumbling out of the nest, it knockt downe 300 tall Cedars, and breaking as it fell, drowned 300 villages: This bird stood vp to the knees in the sea, and the sea was so deepe, that a hatchet would not fall to the bottome in seaven yeares. Of their Messias ^d wiues and children; Adam and Eve, &c. and that one stupend fiction amongst the rest. When a Roman Prince asked of Rabbi *Iehosua ben Hanania*, why the Jewes God was compared to a Lion; he made answer he compared himselfe to no ordinary Lion, but to one in the wood *Ela*, which when he desired to see, the Rabbine praid to God he might, and forth with the Lion set forward, ^e But when he was 400 miles from Rome, he so roared that all the great belliced women in Rome made aborts, the citty wals fell downe, and when he came an hundred miles nearer, and roared the second time, their teeth fell out of their heads, the Emperour himselfe fell downe dead, and so the Lion went backe. With an infinite number of such lies & forgeries, which they verily beleue, feed themselves with vaine hope, and in the meane time, will by no perswasions be diverted, but still crucifie their soules with a company of idle ceremonies, liue like slaues and vagabonds, and will not be relieved, or reconciled.

Mahometans are a compound of *Gentiles*, *Jewes*, and *Christians*, and so absurd in their ceremonies, as if they had taken, that which is most sottish out of every one of them, full of idle fables in their superstitious law, their *Alcoran* it selfe a gallimafrye of lies, tales, ceremonies, traditions, precepts, stolne from other sects, and confusedly heaped vp to delude a company of rude and barbarous clownes. As how birds, beasts, stones, saluted *Mahomet* when he came from *Mecha*, the Moone came downe from heaven to visit him, & how God sent for him, spake to him, &c. with a company of stupend figments of the Sunne, Moone, and Starres, &c. Of the day of Iudgement, and three soules to prepare to it, which must last 50000 yeares, of Paradise, which is so ridiculous, that *Virgil*, *Dantes*, *Lucian*, nor any Poet can bee more fabulous. Their rites and ceremonies are most vaine and superstitious, wine and swines flesh are vtterly forbidden by their law, & they must pray five times a day, and still towards the south, wash before and after all their bodies ouer, with many such. For fasting, voves, religious orders, peregrinations, they goe farre beyond any Papists, ^h they fast a month together many times, and must not eat a bit till sunne be set. Their *Kalanders*, *Deruises*, and *Torlachers*, &c. are more ⁱ abstemious some of them, then *Carthusians*, *Franciscans*, *Anachorits*, forsake all, liue solitary, fare hard, goe naked, &c. ^k Their pilgrimages are as farre as to the riuer ^l *Ganges* (which the *Gentiles* of those Tracts likewise doe) to wash themselves, for that riuer as they hold hath a soueraigne vertue to purge them of all sinnes, and no man can bee saved that hath not beene washed in it. For which reason they come far & neere from the *Indies* *Maximus gentium omnium confluxus est*, and infinite numbers yearly resort

to it. Others goe as farre as *Mecha* to *Mahomet's* tombe, which iourney is both miraculous, and meritorious. The ceremonies of flinging stones to stone the Diuell, of eating a Camell at *Cairo* by the way; their fastings, their running till they sweare, their long prayers, *Mahomet's* Temple, Tombe, and building of it, would aske a whole volume to dilate: and for their paines taken in this holy pilgrimage, all their sinnes are forgiven, and they reputed for so many Saints. And diuerse of them with hot bricks, when they returne, wil put out their eyes,¹ that they may neuer after see any prophane thing. They looke for their Prophet *Mahomet* as *Iewes* doe for their *Messias*. Read more of their customes, rites, ceremonies, in *Lonicerus Turcic. hist. tom. 1.* from the tenth to the 24 chapter, *Bredenbachius cap. 4. 5. 6.* *Leo Afer lib. 1.* *Busebequius, Sabellicus, Purchas lib. 3. cap. 7. & 4. 5. & c.* Many foolish ceremonies you shall finde in them, and which is most to be lamented, the people are generally so curious in obseruing of them, that if the least circumstance be omitted, they thinke they shall be damned, 'tis an irremissible offence. and can hardly bee forgiven. I kept in my house amongst my followers (saith *Busebequius* (sometimes the *Turkes* Orator in *Constantinople*) a *Turkey* boy that by chance did eat shel-fish, a meat forbidden by their law, but the next day when he knewe what he had done, he was not onely sicke to cast and vomit, but very much troubled in minde, would weepe, and grieue many dayes after, torment himselfe for this fowle offence. Another *Turke* being to drinke a cuppe of wine in his Cellar, first made a huge noyse and filthy faces,² to warne his soule as he said, that it should not be guilty of that fowle fact which hee was to commit. With such royes as these are men kept in awe, and so cowed, that they dare not resist, or offend the least circumstance of their law, for conscience sake misled by superstition, which no humane edict otherwise, no force of armes could haue enforced.

In the last place are *Christians*, in describing of whose superstitious symptomes, I may say that which *S. Benedict* once saw in a vision, one Diuell in the market place, but to in a Monastery, because there was more worke; in populous citties, they would sweare and forswear, lye, falsifie, deceaue fast enough of themselves, one Diuell could circumvent a 1000, but in their religious houses 1000 Diuells could scarce tempt one silly Monke. All the principall Diuells I thinke busie themselves in subuerting *Christians*, *Iewes*, *Gentiles*, and *Mahometans* are extra caulem, out of the fold, and need no such attendance, they make no resistance, but *Christians* haue that shield of faith, sword of the spirit to resist, & must haue a great deale of battery before they can be overcome. That the Diuell is most busie amongst vs that are of the true Church, appeares by those seuerall oppositions, heresies, schismes, which in all ages he hath raised to subuert it, and in that of *Rome* especially, wherein *Antichrist* himselfe now sits, and playes his prize. This mystery of iniquity began to worke even in the Apostles time, many *Antichrists* and Heretickes were abroad, many sprung vp since, many now present, and will be to the worlds end, to dementate mens mindes, to seduce & captiuat their soules. Their symptomes I knowe not how better to expresse, then in that twofold diuision of such as lead, and such as are lead. Such as lead are Heretickes, Schismaticks, false Prophets, impostors, and their ministers: they haue some common symptomes, some peculiar. Common, as madnesse, folly,

¹ Quia nil uolunt deinceps videre.

² Nullum se consuetudinis finem fecit.

³ Ut in aliquo angulum se reciperet, ne rem sciret eius delicti, quod ipse erat admittitur.

pride, insolency, arrogancy, singularity, peeuishnesse, obstinacy, impudence, scorne and contempt; of all other sects:

Nullius addicti iurare in verba magistri,

They will approue of nought, but what they first invent themselves, no interpretation good but what their spirit dictates, none shall be *in secundis*, no not *in tertijs*, they are onely wise, onely learned, in the truth, all damn'd but they, *eadem scripturarum faciunt ad materiam suam*, saith Tertullian, they make a slaughter of Scriptures, and turne it as a nose of waxe to their owne ends. So irrefragable in the meane time, that what they haue once said, they must and will maintaine, in whole Tomes, duplications, triplications, neuer yeeld to death, so selfe conceited, say what you can, As ^o Bernard speaks of *P. Aliardus, omnes patres sic, atq. ego sic*, Though all the Fathers councells, and all the world contradict it they care not, they are all one: and as ^P Gregory well notes, *of such as are vertiginous, they thinke all turnes round and moues, allerre, when as the error is wholly in their owne braines.* Magallianus the Iesuite, in his comment on the 1 of Timothy, cap. 16. ver. 20. & Alphonsus de Castro lib. 1. *aduersus haereses*, giue two more eminent notes, or probable conjectures to knowe such men by (they might haue taken themselves by the noses when they said it) ¹ *First they affect nouelties, and toyes, and preferre falsehood before truth,* ² *secondly they care not what they say, that which rashnes and folly hath brought out, pride, afterwarde, peeuishnesse, and contumacy shall maintaine to the last gaspe.* Peculiar symptomes are prodigious paradoxes, new doctrines, vaine phantasies, which are as many and as diuers as they themselves. ¹ *Nicholaites* of old would haue wines in common, *Montanists* will not marry at all, nor *Tatians*, forbidding all flesh, *Seuerians* wine. *Adamians* goe naked, ² because Adam did so in Paradise, and some ³ barefoot all their liues, because God, *Exod. 3.* and *Iosua, 5.* bid Moses so to doe, and *Isay, 20.* was bid put off his shooes. *Maniche's* hold that *Pythagorian transmigration* of soules from men to beasts. ⁴ *The Circumcellions* in Africke, with a madde cruelty made away themselves, some by fire, water, breaking their neckes, and seduced others to doe the like, threatening some, if they did not, with a thousand such, as you may read in *Austin, Epiphanius, Alphonsus de Castro, Danaus, y Gab. Prateolus, &c.* Of Prophets, Enthusiasts, and Impostors, our Ecclesiasticall stories afford many examples, of *Elias* and *Christs*, as our ² *Eudo de Stella*, a *Brittane*, in King *Stephens* time, and many such, nothing so common as visions, reuelations, prophesies. Now what these braine-sicke Heretickes once broach, and impostors set on foot, be it neuer so absurd, false, and prodigious, the common people will followe and beleue. It will runne along like *Murrian* in cattle, scab in sheepe. *Nulla scabies*, as ^a he said, *superstitione scabiosior*, as he that is bitten with a mad dogge bites others, and all in the end become mad, either out of affectation of nouelty, simplicity, blinde zeale, hope, and feare, the giddy headed multitude will imbrace it.

Sed vetera querimur, these are old, *hac prius facere*. In our dayes wee haue a new sceane of superstitious impostors and heretickes, a new company of Actors, of *Anti-christs*, that great *Anti-christ* himselfe. A rope of Popes, who from that time they proclaimed themselves vniuersall Bishops, to establish their owne kingdome, soueraignty, greatnesse, and to enrich themselves, brought in such a company of humane traditions, Purgatory, Limbus

Patrum,

^o Epist. 190.
^P Orat. 8. ut
vertigine cor-
reptis videntur
omnia moueri,
omnia ys falsa
sunt, quum er-
ror in ipsorum
cerebro sit.

¹ Res novas af-
fectant & inu-
siles, falsa veris
praferunt 2.
quod temeritas
effutierit id su-
perbia postmo-
dum tuebatur
& contumacia,
&c.

² See more in
Vincent. Lyrin.
³ *Aust. de haeres.*
Vsus mulierum
indifferens.

⁴ Quod ante
peccauit Adam,
nudus erat.

⁵ Alii nudis pe-
dibus semper
ambulant.

⁶ In sana ferita-
te sibi non par-
cunt, nam per
mortes varias
praecipitiorum,
aquarum, & ig-
nium, seipos ne-
cant, & in istum
furorem alios co-
gunt, mortem
minantes ni fa-
ciant.

⁷ elench. heret.
ab orbe condito.

⁸ Nubigenis
lib. 1. cap. 19.

⁹ Iovian. Pont.
dial.

patrum, infantum, and all that subterranean Geography, Masse, adoration of Saints, almes, fastings, bulls, Indulgences, orders, Friers, Images, Shrines; musty reliques, excommunications, confessions, satisfactions, blinde obedience, voves, pilgrimages, peregrinations, that the light of the Gospell was quite eclipsed, darknesse ouer all, the Scriptures concealed, legends brought in, religion banished, superstition exalted, and the Church it selfe ^b more obscured and persecuted: Christ and his members crucified, more, saith *Benzo*, by a few Necromanticall, Atheisticall Popes, then euer it was by those heathen Emperours, *Hunnes*, *Goths*, and *Vandals*. What each of them did, by what meanes, at what times, *quibus auxilijs*, superstition came to this height, traditions encreased, and *Anti-christ* himselfe came to his estate, let *Magdeburgenses*, *Kemnisius*, *Osiander*, *Bale*, *Mornay*, *Fox*, and many others relate. In the meane time, he that shall but see their prophane rites & foolish customes how superstitiously kept, how strictly obserued, their multitude of Saints, Images, for trades, professions, diseases, persons, offices, countries, places; *S^t George* for England, *S. Denis* for France, *Patricke*, Ireland; *Andrew*, Scotland; *Iago*, Spaine; &c. *Gregory* for Students, *Luke* for Painters, *Cosmus & Damian* for Philosophers; *Crispine*, Shoemakers; *Katherine*, Spinners; &c. *Anthony* for Pigges; *Gallus*, Geese; *Wenceslaus*, Sheepe; *Pelagius*, Oxen; *Sebastian* the plague; *Valentine*, falling sicknesse; *Apollonia* tooth ach; *Petronella* for Agues, and the *Virgin Mary* for Sea and Land for all parties, offices; hee that shall obserue these things, their Shrines, Images, Oblations, Pendants, Adorations, Pilgrimages, they make to them, what creeping to Crosses, our Lady of *Lauretta*'s rich ^c gownes, her donaries, the cost bestowed on Images, and number of furers; *S. Nicholas Burge* in France; our *S. Thomas Shrine* of old at *Canterbury*, those reliques at *Rome*, *Ierusalem*, *Genua*, *Lions*, *Pratum*, *S. Denis*; & how many thousands come yearly to offer to them, with what cost, trouble, anxiety, superstition, how they spend themselues, times, goods, liues, fortunes, in such ridiculous observations, their tales and figments, false miracles, buying & selling of pardons, Indulgences for 40000 yeares to come their Processions on set dayes, their strict fastings, Monkes, Anachorites, Frier Mendicants, Franciscans, Carthusians, &c. Their Vigils and fasts, their ceremonies at Christmas, Shrouetide, Candlemas, Palme Sunday, Blase, *S. Martin*, *S. Nicholas* day, their adorations, exorcismes, &c. will thinke all those *Gracian*, *Pagan*, *Mahometan* superstitions, Gods, Idols, and Ceremonies, the name, time, and place, habit only altered, to haue degenerated into Christians. Whilst they preferre traditions before Scriptures, and keeping those Evangelicall counsells, pouerty, obedience, voves, almes, fasting, supererogations, before Gods Commandements, their owne ordinances before his precepts, & keepe them in ignorance, blindnesse, they haue brought the common people into such a case, that vpon paine of damnation, they dare not breake the least ceremony, tradition, edict: hold it a greater sinne to eat a bit of meat in Lent, then kill a man, their consciences are so terrified, that they are ready to despaire if a small ceremony be omitted, what mulct, what pennance soeuer is enioyned, they dare not but doe it, tumble with *S. Francis* in the mire amongst Hogges, if they be appointed, goe woolward, whip themselues, build Hospitals, Abbies, &c. goe to the *East* or *West Indies*, kill a King, or run vpon a sword point; they performe all, doe all, beleue all.

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^b Cum per Paganos nomen eius persequi non poterat, sub specie religionis fraudulenter subtertere disponebat.

Clement Smith;

^c One Image, had one gown worth 400. crownes and more.

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Lucilium lib. 1.
cap. 22, de falsa
relig.

*Ut pueri infantes credunt signa omnia aliena
Vinere, & esse homines, & sic isti omnia ficta
Vera putant, credunt signis cor inesse alienis.*

As children thinke their babies liue to be,
Doe they these brasen Images they see.

And whilst the ruder sort are so carried headlong with blinde zeale, are so gulled and tortured by their superstitions, their own too credulous simplicity and ignorance, their *Epicurean* Popes, and *Hypocriticall* Cardinals laugh in their sleeues, and are merry in their chambers with their Punkes, they doe *Indulgere genio*, and make much of themselves. The middle sort some for gaine, hope of preferment, and for feare are content to subscribe, and doe all that in them lies, to maintaine & defend their present gouernment, as Schoolmen, Canonists, Jesuits, Friers, Orators, Sophisters; who either for that they had nothing else to doe, luxuriant wits knewe not how to busie themselves, or better to defend their lies, miracles, transubstantions, Popes pardons, Purgatories, Masses, impossibilities, haue coyned a thousand idle questions, nice distinctions, Obs and Sols, such tropologicall, allegoricall expositions, to salue all apparences, obiects, such quirkes and quiddities, *Quodlibetaries*, as *Bale* saith of *Ferribrigge* and *Strode*, instances, ampliatiions, decrees, glosses, canons, that instead of sound Commentaries, good preachers, are come a company of mad Sophisters, *primo secundo secundary*, sectaries, Canonists, *Sorbonists*, *Minorites*, with a rabble of idle controversies and questions, *an Papa sit Deus an quasi Deus? An participet utramq; Christi naturam?* Whether it be as possible for God to be a Humblebee, or a gourd as a man? Whether he can produce a respect without a foundation or terme, make a whore a Virgin? Fetch *Traians* soule from hell, and how? with a rabble of questions about hell fire, whether it bee a greater sinne to kill a man, or to clout shooes vpon a Sunday? Whether God can make another God like vnto himselfe? Such, saith *Kemnisius*, are most of your Schoolemen, 200. Commentators on *Peter Lombard*, Scotists, Thomists, Reals, Nominals, &c,

Thus they continued in such errour, blindness, decrees, sophismes, superstitions, idle ceremonies and traditions, were the summe of their religion, & the true Church, as wine and water mixt, lay hid and obscure to speake of, till *Luthers* time, who began vpon a sudden to defecate, and as another Sun to driue away those foggy mists of superstition, to restore it to that purity of the *Primitive Church*. And after him many good and godly men, diuine spirits haue done their endeavours, and still doe.

* And what their ignorance esteemd so holy,
Our wiser ages doe accompt as folly.

But see the Diuell that will neuer suffer the Church to be quiet or at rest. No Garden so well tilled, but some noxious weeds grow vp in it, no wheat but it hath some tares, we haue a madde giddy company of Priests, Schismatics, and some Hereticks euen in our owne bosomes in another extreame,

Dum vitant stulti vitia in contraria currunt.

That out of too much zeale, in opposition to Antichrist, humane traditions those Romish ceremonies and superstitions, will quite demolish all, they will admit of no ceremonies at all, no fasting daies, no Crosse in Baptisme, kneeling at Communion, no Church musicke, &c, no Bishops Courts, no Church

Hospius
Olander.

An hec propositio
Deus sit curvatus
vel scurvatus sit
equè possibilis ac
Deus et homo.

An possit respectum
producere sine
fundamento et
termino.

An leuius sit hominem
ingulare quam die
dominico calcem
conferre.

* Daniel.

Church government, rayle at all our Church discipline, will not hold their tongues, and all for the peace of thee O *Syon*. No not so much as degrees some of them will tolerate, or Vniuersities, all humane learning, hoods, habits, cap and surplesse, such as are things indifferent in themselves; & wholly for ornament and decency, or for distinction sake, they abhorre and hate, and snuffe at, as a stone-horse when he meets a Beare: They make matters of conscience of them, and will rather forsake their linings then subscribe to them. They will admit of no holidais, or honest recreations, no Churches, no bells some of them, because Papists vse them: No discipline, no ceremonies, but what they inuent themselves; No interpretations of Scriptures, no Comments of Fathers, no Councells, but such as their owne phantasticall spirits dictate, by which spirit misled, many times they broach as prodigious paradoxes as Papists themselves. Some of them turne Prophets, haue secret revelations will be of priuy counsell with God himselfe, and knowe all his secrets. *Per capillos spiritum sanctum tenent, & omnia sciunt cum sint a fini omnium obstinatissimi.* A company of blockheads will take vpon them to define how many shall be saued, and who damned in a parish, where they shall sit in heauen, interpret Apocalypses. (*Commentatores precipites & vertiginosos*, one calls them, as well he might) and those hidden mysteries to priuate persons, times places, as their owne spirit informes them, priuat reuelations shall suggest, and precisely set downe when the world shall come to an end, what yeare, what month, what day. Some of them againe haue such strong faith, so presumptuous, they will goe into infected houses, expell Diuells, & fast forty daies, as *Christ* himselfe did; some call God and his attributes into question, as *Vorstius*, some Princes, ciuill magistrates, and their authorities, as *Anabaptists*, and will doe all their owne priuate spirit dictates, and nothing else. *Brownists*, *Barrowists*, *Familists*, and those *Amsterdamian* sects and sectaries, are led all by so many priuat spirits. It is a wonder to reueale what passages *Sleiden* relates in his Commentaries, of *Cretinke* and *Knipperdoling* and their associates, those madde men of *Munster* in *Germanie*, what strange Enthusiasmes, sortish Revelations, how absurdly they carried themselves, deluded others; that as prophane *Machiauel* in his politicall disputations holds of Christian Religion, in generall it doth enervate, debilitate, take away mens spirits & courage from them, & breeds nothing so courageous souldiers as that *Roman*, we may say of these peculiar sects, their Religion takes away not spirits only but wit & iudgment, and deprives them of all vnderstanding: for some of them are so farre gone with their priuate Enthusiasmes and reuelations, that they are quite madde, out of their wits. What greater madnes can there be, then for a man to take vpon him to be God, as some doe? To be the holy Ghost, *Elias*, and what not? In *Poland* 1548. in the raigne of king *Sigismund*, one said he was *Christ*, and got him 12 Apostles, came to iudge the World, and strangely deluded the commons. ^h One *David George* an illiterate Painter, not many yeares since, did as much in *Holland*, took vpon him to be the *Messias*, and had many followers. *Benedictus Victorius Fauentinus, consil. 15.* writes as much of one *Honorius*, that thought he was not onely inspired as a Prophet, but that he was a God himselfe, and had familiar conference with God and his Angels. *Lavater de spect. cap. 2. part. 1.* hath a story of one *Iohn Sartorius*, that thought he was the

Agrippa ep. 26.

^e Alex. Gaguin.
12. Discipulis
ascitis mirum
in modum popu-
lum decepit.
^h Guicciard.
descri. Belg. com.
plures habuit af-
fectas ad istum
honoratus.
ⁱ Hen. Nicolae
at Leiden, 1580
such a one.

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Prophet *Elias*, & *cap. 7.* of diuers others, that had conference with Angels, were Saints, Prophets. *Wierus lib. 3. de Lamis cap. 7.* makes mention of a Prophet of *Groning*, that said he was God the Father, of an *Italian* and *Spanish* Prophet, that held as much. We need not roue so farre abroad, we haue familiar examples at home, *Coppinger* that said he was *CHRIST*, *Hacket* and *Arthington* his Disciples; *Burchet*, *Houatus* burned at *Norwich*. We are neuer likely seuen yeares together, without some such new Prophets, that haue seuerall inspirations, some to convert the Iewes, some fast forty dayes, some foretell strange things, some for one thing, some another. Great precisians most part by a preposterous zeale, fasting, meditations, melancholy, are brought into those grosse errors & inconveniences. Of these men I may conclude generally, that how soeuer they may seeme to be discreet, and men of vnderstanding in other matters, discourse well, *lesam habent Imaginationem*, they are like Comets, round in all places, but only where they blaze, *cetera sani*, they haue impregnable wits, & discreet otherwise, but in this, their madnes & folly breakes out beyond measure, in *infinitum erumpit stultitia*. They are certainly farre gone with melancholy, if not quite mad, and haue more need of Physick, then many a man that keeps his bed, more need of Hellebor, then those that are in *Bedlam*.

* See *Camden's Annals*, fol. 242, & 285.

SVBSEC. 4.

Prognostickes of Religious melancholy.

YOU may guesse at the Prognosticks, by Symptomes. What can these signes foretel otherwise then folly, dorage, madnes, grosse ignorance, despaire, obstinacy, a reprobate sense, ¹ a bad end? What else can superstition, heresie produce, but warres, tumults, vproares, torture of soules, & despaire, a desolat land, as *Jeremy* reacheth, *cap. 7. 34.* when they commit Idolatry, & walk after their own wayes; how should it be otherwise with them? What can they expect but *blasting*, *famine*, *dearth*, & all the plagues of *Egypt*, as *Amos* denounceth, *cap. 4. ver. 9. 10.* to be led into captivity? If our hopes be frustrate, we sowe much, and bring in little, eate and haue not enough, drinke and are not filled, cloath and be not warme, &c. *Haggai 1. 6.* wee looke for much, and it comes to little. And why? *his house was waste, they came to their owne houses, ver. 9.* therefore the heauen staied his dew, the earth his fruite: Because we are superstitious, irreligious, we doe not serue God as we ought, all these plagues & miseries come vpon vs, what can we look for else; but mutuall warres, slaughters, fearefull ends in this life, and in the life to come eternall damnation? What is it that hath caused so many ferall battles to be fought, so much Christian blood shed, but superstition? That *Spanish* Inquisition, Racks, Wheelles, tortures, torments, whence doe they proceed? from superstition. *Boaine* the Frenchman in his *methad. hist.* accounts *Englishmen* Barbarians, for their ciuill warres: but let him but read those *Pharsalian* fields ² fought in *France* of late for Religion, their *Massacres*, wherein by their own relations, in 24 yeares, I know not how many millions haue bin consumed, whole families & cities, and he shall find ours to haue bin but veliterations to theirs. But it hath euer bin the custome of heretickes, Idolaters, when they are

¹ *Arrius* his bowels burst, *Montanus* hanged himselfe, &c.

Eudo de stellis his disciples, *ardere potius quam ad vitam corrigi maluerunt*, tanta vis infixi semel erroris, they died blaspheming. *Nubrigenus* *cap. 19. lib. 1.*

Ier. 7. ver. 23.

Amos 5. 5.

² *5. Cap.*

² *Poplimerius.*

Lerius *pref. hist.*

are plagued for their sinnes, and Gods iust iudgment come vpon them, not to acknowledge any fault in themselues, but still impute it vnto others. In Cyprians time it was much controverted betwixt him and Demetrius an Idolater, who should be the cause of those present calamities. Demetrius laid all the fault on Christians, *o that there were not such ordinary showres in winter, the ripening heat in sommer, so seasonable springs, fruitfull autumnes, no mar-ble mines in the mountaines, lesse gold and siluer then of olde, that husbandmen, seamen, souldiers, all were scanted: iustice, friendship, skill in Arts, all was decayed, and that through Christians default, and all their other miseries from them, quod dy nostri à vobis non colantur*: because they did not worship their gods. But Cyprian retorts all vpon him again, as appeares by his Tract against him. 'Tis true the world is miserably tormēted & shaken with warres, dearth, famine, fire, inundations, plagues, & many ferall diseases rage amongst vs, *sed non ut tu quereris ista accidunt quod dy vestri à nobis non colantur, sed quod à vobis non colatur Deus, à quibus nec queritur, nec timetur*, Not as thou complaineſt, that we doe not worship your gods, but because you are Idolaters, & doe not serue the true God, neither seeke him, nor feare him as you ought. Our Papiſts object asmuch to vs, & account vs hereticks, we them; the Turkes esteeme of both as Infidels, and we them as a company of Pagans, Jewes, against all: When as indeed there is a generall fault in vs all, & something in the very best, which may lustly deserue Gods wrath, & pull these miseries vpon our heads. I will say nothing here of those vain cares, torments, needlesse workes, pseudomartyrdome, &c. We heap vpon our selues vnne-cessary troubles, observations, wee punish our bodies, as in Turkie (saith P. Busbequius leg. Turcic. epist. 3) one did, that was much affected with Musick, and to heare boyes sing, but very superstitious; an olde Sibyl comming to his house, or an holy woman (as that place yeelds many) tooke him downe for it, and told him, that in that other world he should suffer for it, thereupon he flung his rich & costly Instruments which he had, bedeckt with Jewels, all at once into the fire. He was serued in siluer plate, and had goodly household-stuffe: a little after, another religious man reprehended him in like sort, and from thenceforth he was serued in earthen vessels. Last of all, a decree came forth, because Turkes might not drinke wine themselues, that neither Iew nor Christian then liuing in Constantinople, might drinke any wine at all. In like sort amongst Papiſts, fasting at first was generally proposed as a good thing; after, from such meats at such times, & then last of all so rigorously proposed, to bind the conscience vpon paine of damnation. First Friday, saith Erasmus, and then Saturday, & nunc periclitatur dies Mercurij, & Wednesday now is in danger of a fast. ¶ And for some such toyes, some so miserably afflict themselves, to despaire, and death it selfe, rather then offend, and thinke themselves good Christians in it, when as indeed they are superstitious Iewes. So saith Leonardus Fuchsius, a great Physitian in his time, & we are so tortured in Germany with these Popish edicts, our bodies so taken downe, our goods so diminished, that if God had not sent Luther, a worthy man, in time, to redresse these mischiefs, we should haue eaten hay with our horses before this. ¶ As in fasting, so in all other superstitious Edicts, we crucifie one another without a cause, barring our selues of many good & lawfull things, honest disports, pleasures & recreations, and whilst we make a conscience of euery toy, we tyrannize ouer our brothers soules, loose the right vse of many

*o Quod nec hy-
eme, nec aestate
tantum imbrium
copia, nec frugi-
bus torrendis
solia fragran-
tia, nec vernali
temperie sata
iam leta sint,
nec arboris fe-
tibus cunctant
secundi, minus
de montibus
marmor erua-
tur, minus au-
rum, &c.*

*P Solitus erat
oblectare se fidi-
bus & voce mi-
sica canentium;
sed hoc omne
sublatum Sibylle
cuiusdam inter-
uentu, &c. Inde
quicquid erat
instrumentorum
Symphonia coru,
auro, gemmisq;
egregio opere di-
scinctorum com-
minuit, & in ig-
nem iniecit, &c.*

*¶ Ob id genus
observatiuncu-
las, videmus ho-
mines misere af-
fligi, & deniq;
mori, & sibi ipsi
Christianos vi-
deri, quam re-
vera sint Iudei.*

*¶ Ita in corpora
nostra, sorta-
menta, decreta
suis seruit, ut pa-
rum absuerat
nisi deus Luthe-
rum virum per-
petuam memoria
dignissimum ex-
citasset, quin
nobis seno more
communi cum
iumentis cibo u-
tendum fuisset.*

*¶ The Gen-
tiles in India
will eat no
sensible crea-
tures, or ought
that hath
blood in it.*

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[†] Nuda ac tre-
meuadacruen-
tis erepet geni-
bus si candida
iufferit Ino, lu-
genalis. Sat. 6.
[†] Munster Cos-
mog. lib. 3. cap.
444 Incidit in
cloacam, unde
se non posset exi-
mere: implorat
opem sociorum
sed illi negant,
&c.
² De benefic.
7.2.

good gifts, & punish our selues without a cause, loose our liberties, and some-
times our liues. A^o 1270, at [†] Magdeburge in Germany, a Iew fell into a privy
vpon a Saturday, & without helpe, could not possibly get out; he called to
his fellowes for succour, but they denied it, because it was their Sabbaoth,
non licebat opus manuum exercere, the Bishop hearing of it, the next day forbad
him to be pulled out, because it was our Sunday. In the meane time, the
wretch died before Monday. We haue myriads of examples in this kind, and
therefore not without good cause, ² *Intollerabilem perturbationem*, Seneca
calls it, as well he might, an intollerable perturbation, that causeth such dire
euents, folly, madnesse, sicknesse, despaire, death of body and soule, and Hell
it selfe.

SVBSEC. 5.

Cure of Religious Melancholy.

[†] Numen vene-
rare presertim
quod civitas co-
lit.

² Sed habeant
pro arbitrio suo
quo ritu velint
deum coli.

[†] In epist. Sym.

² Quia deus
immensus quiddam
est, & infinitus,
cuius natura
perfecte cognosci
non potest, & qui
ergo est, ut di-
uersi ratione
colatur, prout
quisque aliquid
de deo percipit
aut intelligit.

² Aeternae bea-
titudinis consor-
tios fore, qui san-
cti, innocentēq;
hanc vitam tra-
duxerint, quam-
cumq; illi religio-
nem sequuti sunt

TO purge the world of Idolatry and superstition, will require some
monster-taming Hercules, a diuine Esculapius, or CHRIST himselfe
to come in his own person. They are all generally so refractory, selfe-
conceited, obstinat, so firmly addicted to that Religion, in which they haue
bin bred & brought vp, that no perswasion, no terrour, no persecution can
divert them. The consideration of which, hath induced many Common-
wealths to suffer them to inioy their Consciences as they will themselves,
A tolleration of Iewes is in most Provinces of Europe, In Asia they haue their
Synagogues: Spaniards permit Moores to liue amongst them: the Mogulli-
ans, Gentiles: the Turkes all Religions. In Europe, Poland and Amsterdam, are
the common Sanctuaries. Some are of opinion, that no man ought to be
compelled for conscience sake, but let him be of what Religion he will, he
may be faued, Iew, Turke, Anabaptist, &c. If he be an honest man, liue soberly
and ciuilly in his profession, & serue his own God, with that feare and reue-
rence as he ought. Isocrates aduiseh Demonicus, when he came to a strange ci-
ty, to [†] worship by all meanes the gods of that place. Plinius Secundus as appears
by his Epistle to Traian, would not haue the Christians so persecuted, and in
some time of the raigne of Maximinus, as we finde it registred in Eusebius
lib. 9. cap. 9. there was a decree made to this purpose, ² *Nullus cogatur inuitus
ad hunc vel illum deorum cultum*, &c. The like Edict came forth in the raigne
of Arcadius and Honorius. [†] Symmachus the Orator in his dayes, to procure a
generall tolleration, vsed this Argument, ² *Because God is immense and infi-
nite, and his Nature cannot perfectly be knowne, it is convenient he should be as
diuersly worshipped, as euery man shall conceine or vnderstand.* This Tenēt was
stiffely maintained in Turkie nor long since, as you may read in the third E-
pistle of Busbequius, ² *that all those should participate of eternall happines, that
liued an holy and innocent life, what Religion soeuer they professed.* Rustan Bassa
was a great Patron of it. Some again will approue of this for Iewes, Gentiles,
Infidels, that are out of the fold, they can bee content to giue them all re-
spect & fauour, but by no meanes to such as are within the precincts of our
own Church, and called Christians, to no Heretickes, Schismatickes, or the
like, Let the Spanish Inquisition, that fourth Fury, speake for some of them,
the

the ciuill warres & Massacres in France, our *Marian* times.^b *Magallianus* the *Desuite* will not admit of conference with an hereticke, but severity and rigor to be vsed, and *Theodosius* is commended in *Nicephorus lib. 12. cap. 15.* ^c That he put all Hereticke to silence. *Bernard. epist. 190.* will haue clubbe law, fire and sword for Hereticke, *compell them, stop their moutbes not with disputations, or refute them with reasons but with fists,* & this is their ordinary practise. Another company are as milde on the other side, to auoide all heart-burning, & contentious warres and vproares, they would haue a generall tolleration in euery kingdome, no mulct at all, no man for Religion or Conscience to be put to death. *Martin Bellius* and his companions, maintained this opinion not long since in France, whose error is confuted by *Beza* in a iust Volume. The medium is best, and that which *Paul* prescribes, *Gal. 6. 1.* If any man shall fall by occasion, to restore such a one with the spirit of meeknesse, by all faire meanes, gentle admonitions; but if that will not take place, *Post unam aut alteram admonitionem hereticum deuita*, he must be excommunicate, as *Paul* did by *Hymeneus*, deliuer him ouer to Satan. *Immedicabile vulnus, ense recidendum est.* As *Hippocrates* said in Physicke, I may well say in Diuinity, *Quæ ferro non curantur, ignis curat.* For the vulgar, restraints them by lawes, mulcts, burne their bookes, forbid their conventicles: for when the cause is taken away, the effect will soone cease. Now for Prophets, dreamers, and such rude silly fellows, that through fasting too much, meditation, precisenesse, or by Melancholy are distempered, the best meanes to reduce them *ad sanam mentem*, is to alter their course of life, and with conference, threats, promises, persuasions, to intermixe Physicke. *Heracles de Saxonia* had such a Prophet committed to his charge in Venice, that thought he was *Elias*, and would fast as he did, he dressed a fellow in Angels attire, that said hee came from Heauen, that brought him diuine food, and by that meanes he staide his fast, administered his Physicke, and by the mediation of this forged Angel, he was cured. ^e *Rhasis* an Arabian, *Cont. lib. 1. cap. 9.* speakes of a fellow that in like case complained to him, and desired his helpe: I asked him (saith he) what the matter was, he replied, I am continually meditating of heauen and hell, and me thinks I see and talke with fierie spirits, smell brimstone, &c. and am so carried away with these conceits, that I can neither eat, nor sleepe, nor goe about my busines: I cured him (saith *Rhasis*) partly by perswasion, partly by Physicke, and so haue I done by many others. We haue frequently such Prophets & dreamers amongst vs, whom we persecute with fire and faggot, I thinke the most compendious cure for some of them at least, had bin in Bedlam. *Sed de his satis.*

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^b *Comment. in C. Tim. 6. ver. 20. & 21. seueritate cum hereticis agendum, & non aliter.*
^c *Quod silentium hereticis indixerit.*
^d *Ignem & fustem potius agendum cum hereticis, quam cum disputationibus, ut alia loquentur, &c.*

^e *Quidam erique fuit mihi de hoc morbo, & deprecatus est ut ego illum curarem: ego quæsi ab eo quid sentiret, respondit, semper imaginor & cogito de deo & angelis, &c. Ita demersus sum hac imaginatione, ut nec edam, nec dormiam, nec negotiis &c. Ego curavi medicina & persuasione, & sic plures alios.*

MEMB. 2. SUBSECT. I.

Religious Melancholy in defect, Parties affected, Epicures,
 Atheists, Hypocrites, worldly secure, Carnalists,
 Impenitent sinners, &c.

IN that other extreame, or defect of this loue of God, knowledge, faith, feare, hope, &c. are all manner of Atheists, Epicures, Infidels, that are secure in a reprobate sense, feare not God at all, and such as are too distrustfull and timorous, as desperate persons are. That grand sinne of Atheisme,

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De animâ, cap.
de humoribus.

as ⁱ Melancthon calls it, *monstrosam melancholiam*, monstrous melancholy, or *venenatam melancholiam*, poysoned melancholy. A company of Cyclopes or Giants, that warre with the gods, as the Poët fained, that scoffe at all Religion, at God himselfe, deny him and all his attributes, his wisdom, power, providence, his mercy and iudgment.

Inuenat.

Esse aliquos manes, & subterranea regna,
Et contum, & Stygioranas in gurgite nigras,
Atq; unâ transire vadum tot millia cymbâ,
Nec pueri credunt, nisi qui nondum ære lavantur.

That there is either heauen or hell, resurrection of the dead, paine or happinesse, or world to come, *credat iudeus Apella*, for their parts they esteeme them as so many Poets tales, *Lucians Alexander*, *Mahomet* and *Christ* are all as one in their Creed. They feare neither God nor Diuell; But with that Cyclops in *Euripides*,

Haud ulla numina expavescent calitum,
Sed victimas uni deorum maximo,
Ventre offerunt, deos ignorant ceteros.

They feare no God but one,
They sacrifice to none,
But Belly, and him adore,
For gods they know no more.

Their God is their belly, as *Paul* saith, *Sancta mater saturitas.*

— quibus in solo vivendi causa palato est.

* *Satan* is their guide, the *Flesh* is their instructor, *Hypocrisie* their Counsellor, *Vanity* their fellow-souldier, their will their law, *Ambition* their Capitaine, *Custom* their rule; temerity, boldnesse, impudence, their Arts, toyes their trading, damnation their end. All their endeaours are to satisfie their lust and appetite, how to please their *Genius*, and to be merry for the present,

Ede, bibe, lude, post mortem nulla voluptas.

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The same condition is of men and of beastes, as the one dieth, so dieth the other, *Eccles. 3. 19.* Our life is short and tedious, and in the death of a man there is no recovery, neither was any man knowne that hath returned from the graue, for we are borne at all adventure, and we shall be hereafter as though wee had neuer beene, for the breath is as smoake in our nostrils, &c. and the spirit vanissheth as the soft aire. Come, let vs enioy the pleasures that are present, let vs chearefully vse the creatures as in youth, let vs fill our selues with costly wine & oynments, let not the flowre of our life passe by vs, let vs crowne our selues with rose buddes before they are withered, &c. for this is our portion, this is our lot. For the rest of heauen and hell, let children and superstitious fooles belecue it, for their parts, they are so farre from trembling at the dreadfull Day of Iudgement, that they wish with *Nero*, *Me vivo fiat*, let it come in their times; so secure, so desperate, so immoderate in lust and pleasure, so prone to revenge, that as *Paterculus* said of some Caytiffs in his time in *Rome*, *Quod nequiter ausi, fortiter executi*; it shall not be so wickedly attempted, but as desperately performed, what ere they take in hand. Were it not for Gods restraining grace, feare and shame, disgrace, temporall punishment, and their owne infamy, they would *Lycaon*-like, exenterate, as so many *Canibals* eate vp, or *Cadmus* souldiers, consume one another. These are commonly professed Atheists,

Ver. 6. 7. 8.

that

that neuer vse the name of God, but sweare by it, that expresse nought else but Epicurisme in their carriage, or Hypocrisie; and as * Iovius relates of *Mahomet the 2. that sacked Constantinople*, He so behaved himselfe, that he believed neither Christ nor Mahomet, & thence it came to passe, that he kept his word and promise no farther then for his advantage, neither did he care to commit any offence to satisfie his lust. I could say the like of many Princes, many private men (our stories are full of them.) in times past, this present age, that loue, feare, obey, and performe all ciuill duties, as they shall find them expedient or behoouefull to their owne ends. *Bulco Opiliensis*, sometimes Duke of *Silesia*, was such a one to anhaire, he liued (saith ^k *Aneas Sylvius*) at *Vratislavia*, and was so mad to satisfie his lust, that hee believed neither heauen nor hell, or that the soule was immortall, but married wiues, and turned them vp as hee thought fit, did murder and mischiefe, and what he list himselfe. This Duke hath too many followers in our dayes: say what you can, dehort, exhort, perswade to the contrary, heauen and hell, 'tis to no purpose, *laterem lavas*, they answere as *Ataliba* that *Indian Prince* did to *Frier Vincent*, ^m when hee brought him a booke, and told him all the mysteries of saluation, heauen and hell, were contained in it: he looked vpon it, and said, he saw no such matter, and asked withall how he knew it: they wil but scoffe at it. Let them take Heauen, Paradise, and that future happines that will, *bonum est esse hic*, it is good being heere: there is no talking to such, no hope of their conversion; they are in a reprobate sence, meere carnalists, worldly minded men, which howsoeuer they may be applauded in this life by some few parasites, and held for worldly wise men, ⁿ They seeme to me (saith *Melancthon*) to be as mad as *Hercules* was, when hee raved and killed his wife and children. A milder sort of these Atheistlicall spirits there are that professe Religion, but timide & hesitante, tempted thereunto out of that horrible consideration of diuersity of Religions, which are, and haue bin in the world, some of them, so phantasticall, exorbitant. *Christians* say, they alone worship the true God, pittie all other sects, and lament their case, and yet those old *Greekes* and *Romanes*, that worshipped the diuel, as the *Chin*'s doe now, as *Machiauel* contends, were much more noble, generous, victorious, had a more flourishing common wealth, better citties, better souldiers, better schollers, better wits, &c. *Bozins* and *Gentilettus* answere al these Atheistlicall arguments at large. But this againe troubles many as of old, wicked men generally thriue, good men are depressed, the race is not to the swift, nor the battell to the strong (*Eccles 9. 11.*) nor yet bread to the wise, fauour nor riches to men of vnderstanding, but time and chance comes to all. Some cavill and make doubts of Scripture it selfe, it cannot stand with gods mercy, that so many should be damned, so many bad, so few good: such haue and hold about Religions, all stiffe on their side, factious alike, thriue alike, & yet bitterly persecuting and damning each other, &c. with many such vaine cauils, well knowne, not worthy the recapitulation or answering, whatsoeuer they pretend, they are interim of little or no religion.

Cosin Germanes to these men, are many of our great Philosophers, who though they be more temperat in this life, giue many good morall precepts, and sober in their conuersation, yet in effect they are the same, *nimis altum sapiunt*, too much learning makes them mad. Whilst they attribute all to naturall causes, & contingency of all things, as *Melancthon* calls them, *Pertinax*

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* Talem se exhibuit, ut nec in Christum, nec Mahometum crederet, while effectum, ut promissum quatenus in suum commodum cedere minimè servaret, nec ullo sceleris peccatum statueret, ut suis desiderijs satisfaceret.

^k Europe descr. cap. 24.

^l Or Breslaw.

^m Vsq. ad. d. inferos, ut nec inferos nec superos esse d. cat. animalis, cum corporibus interire credat, &c.

ⁿ Fratres à Bry

Amer. part. 6.

librum à Vincentio monacho

datum, abiecit,

nihil se videre

ibi huiusmodi

dicens, rogansque

unde hæc sciret,

quum de celo &

Tartaro contineri

ibi diceret.

ⁿ Non minus hæ

furunt quam

Hercules, qui

conjugem, liberos

interfecit, habet

hæc ætas plura

huiusmodi portentosa monstra.

^o Omnia continenter fieri volunt. *Melancthon* in præceptum primum.

hominum

hominum gens, a peeuish generation of men, that misled by Philosophy, and the diuels suggestion, their owne innate blindnesse, deny God as much as the rest. In spirituall things God must demonstrate all to sense, or leaue a pawne with them, or else seek some other creditor. They will acknowledge nature, yet not God: but as P Seneca well discourseth with them *lib. 4. de Beneficijs*, cap. 5. 6. 7. they doe not understand what they say, what is Nature but God? call him what thou wilt, Nature, Iupiter, he hath as many names, as many offices: it comes all to one passe, God is the Fountaine of all; the first giuer and preseruer from whom all things depend, & à quo, & per quem omnia.

Nam quodcumq; vides Deus est, quocumq; moueris.

God is all in all, God is euery where, in every place. And yet this Seneca that could confute and blame them, is all out as much to bee blamed and confuted himselfe, as mad himselfe, for he holds *fatum Stoicum*, that inevitable necessity in the other extreame, as those Chaldean Astrologers of old did, against whom the Prophet Ieremie so often thunders, and those heathen Mathematicians, Nigidius Figulus, Magicians, and Priscilianists, whom S. Austin so eagerly confutes, those Arabian questionaries, nouem Iudices, Albumazar, Dorotheus, &c. and our Countymen Estuidus, that take vpon them to define out of those great coniunctions of starres, the periods of kingdomes, or religions, of all future accidents, wars, plagues, schismes, heresies, & what not? all from starres, and such things, saith Maginus, *Qua sibi & intelligentijs suis reservauit deus*, which God hath reserved to himselfe and his Angells, they will take vpon them to foretell, as if starres were immediate, ineuitable causes of all future accidents. In Rome, saith Dionysius Halicarnassens, lib. 7. when those meteors and prodigies appeared in the aire, after the banishment of Coriolanus, Men were diuersly affected, some said they were Gods iust iudgements for the execution of that good man, some referred all to naturall causes, some to starres, some thought they came by chance, some by necessity decreed ab initio, and could not be altered; The two last opinions of necessity & chance, were, it seemes, of greater note then the rest. For the first of Chance, as Salust informeth vs, those old Romanes generally receaued. They supposed fortune alone gaue Kingdomes and Empires, wealth, honours, offices, and that for two causes, first because every wicked, base, unworthie wretch was preferred, rich, potent, &c. Secondly, because of their vncertainty, though neuer so good, scarce any one enioyed them long; but after they beganne vpon better advice to thinke otherwise, that every man made his owne fortune. The last of necessity was Seneca's tenent, that God was *alligatus causis secundis*, so tied to second causes, to that inexorable necessity, that hee could alter nothing of that which was once decreed, *sic erat in fati*, it cannot be altered. *semel iussit, semper paret Deus, nulla vis rumpit, nulla preces, nec ipsum fulmen*, God hath once said it and it must for ever stand good, no prayers, no threats, nor power, nor thunder it selfe can alter it. Zeno, Chrysippus and those other Stoicks, as you may read in Tully 2. de diuinatione, Gellius lib. 6. c. 2. &c. maintained as much. In all ages there haue been such, that either deny God in all, or in part, some that deride him, they could haue made a better world, and rule it more orderly themselues, blaspheming him, derogate at their pleasure from him. 'Twas so in * Plato's time, some say there be no Gods, other that they care not for men, a middle sort grant both. So it will ever bee, some of all sorts, good, bad,

P Non intelligit
se quum hoc di-
cia, mutare te ip-
sum nomen dei:
quid enim est al-
lud natura qua
Deus, &c. tot
habet appellati-
ones, tot manera.
S. Austin.

1 Principio &
phemer.

2 Variè homi-
nes affecti, alij
dei iudicium ad
tam pii exilium,
alii ad naturam
referrebant, nec
a indignatione
dei sed humanis
causis, &c.

3 Natural.

4 quæst. 33. 36.

5 Epist. ad C.

6 Cesar. Roman.

7 olim putabant

8 fortunam regna

9 & imperia dote.

10 Credebant antea

11 mortales fortu-

12 nam solam opes

13 & honores lar-

14 giri, idq; duabus

15 de causis, Primò

16 quod indignus

17 quisq; diues ho-

18 noratus, potens,

19 alterum vix

20 quicquam per-

21 petuò bonis iis

22 frui visus. Postea

23 prudentiores di-

24 dicere fortunam

25 suam quemq;

26 fingere.

27 10. De legib.

28 Atq; negant esse

29 deos, alij deos nò

30 curare res hu-

31 manas, alij v-

32 erag, concedunt.

bad, indifferent, true, false, zealous, ambodexters, lukewarme, libertines, Atheists, &c. *Claudius the Emperour was angry with heauen because it thundred, and challenged Iupiter into the field: with what madnesse saith Seneca: hee thought Iupiter could not hurt him, but he could hurt Iupiter.* *Diagoras, Democritus, Epicurus, Pliny, Lucian, Lucretius, professed Atheists, all in their times.* *Gilbertus Cognatus labours much, and so doth Erasmus, to vindicate Lucian from scandall, & there be those that Apologize for Epicurus, but all in vaine: Lucian scoffes at all, Epicurus he denies all, & Lucretius his Scholler defends him in it,*

** Humana ante oculos fadē cum vita iaceret,
Interius oppressa graui sub religione,
Quae caput à cœli regionibus ostendebat,
Horribili super aspectu mortalibus instans, &c.*

When humane kinde was drench't in superstition,

With gasty lookes aloft which frighted mortall men, &c.

He alone as another Hercules, did vindicate the world from that monster. *Vncle Pliny lib. 2. cap. 7. nat. hist. cap. 55. & lib. cap. 5. in expresse wordes denies the immortality of the soule. Some Greeke Commentators would put as much vpon Iob, that hee should deny Resurrection, &c. whom Pineda copiously confutes in cap. 7. Iob. vers. 9. Aristotle is hardly censured of some, both Divines and Philosophers, St Iustine in Paraneo ad gentes, Greg. Nazianzen in disput. aduersus Eun: Theodoret lib. 5. de cur. end. grec. affec. Origen lib. de principijs. Pomponatius, Scaliger, & Dandinus lib. 3. de anima, acknowledge as much. Averroes oppugnes all spirits, and supreme powers, of late Brunus (infelix Brunus, y Kepler calls him) Machiavel and Pet. Aretine, haue publicly maintained such Atheisticall paradoxes.*

To these we may well adde that carnall crew of worldly minded men, impenitent sinners, who though they bee professed Christians, yet they doe, *Nulla pallescere culpa*, make a conscience of nothing they doe, they haue cauterised consciences, and are indeed in a reprobate sence, *past all feeling, haue giuen themselves ouer to wantonnesse, to worke all manner of vncleanesse, even with greedinesse. Eph. 4. 19.* They doe knowe there is a God, a day of Iudgement to come, and yet for all, as Hugo saith, *Ita comedunt ac dormiunt, ac si diem iudicij euasisent, ita ludunt ac rident ac si in celis cum Deo regnarent*, they are as merry for all the sorrow as if they had escaped all dangers, and were in heauen already. All those rude idiots and ignorant persons, that neglect and contemne the meanes of their salvation, may march on with these, but aboue all others, those temporizing statesmen, politicke Machiavilians, & Hypocrites, that make a shew of religion, but in their hearts laugh at it, *simulata sanctitas duplex iniquitas*, they are in a double fault, that fashion themselves to this world, which ² Paul forbiddes, and like Mercurie the Planet are good with good, bad with bad. When they are at Rome, they doe there as they see done, Puritans with Puritans, Papists with Papists; *omnium horarum homines, Formalists, Ambodexters.* ^a All their study is to please, and their God is their commodity, all their labour for to satisfie their owne lusts, and their indeauours to their owne ends. Whatsoever they pretend, or in publike seeme to doe, ^b *with the foole in their hearts, they say there is no God.* Their words are as soft as oyle, but bitterness is in their hearts, like Pope ^c Alexander the 6, so cunning dissemblers, that what they thinke they never speak.

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^u De Ira. 16. 34
Iratius est quod
obstrepere, ad
pugnandum vocans
Iouem, quanta
dementia putaret
vitæ sibi nocere non
posse, & se nocere
tamen Jovis
posse.

^{*} Lib. 1. 2.

^y Differt enim
nunc. Syder.

² Rom. 12. 2.

^a Omnis Aristippum decuit
color & status
& res.

^b Psal. 13. 1.

^c Guicciardine.

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Many of them are so close, you can hardly discern it, or take any iust exceptions at them, they are not factious, oppressours as most are, no bribers, no simoniaeall contracters, no such ambitious, lascivious persons as some other are, no drunkards, *Sobrii solem vident orientem sobrii vident occidentem*. They rise sober and goe sober to bed, plaine dealing, vpright honest men, they doe wrong to no man, and are so reputed in the worlds esteeme at least, very zealous in religion, very charitable, meeke, humble, peacemakers, keepe all duties, very devout, honest, well spoken of, beloued of all men: but hee that knowes better how to iudge, hee that examines the heart, hee saith they are Hypocrites, *Cor dolo plenum; sonant vitium per cussa malignè*, they are not sound within. As it is with writers ^d oftentimes, *Plus sanctimonia in libello, quàm libelli auctore*, more holinesse is in the booke then in the Author of it: So tis with them; many come to Church with great Bibles, whom *Cardan* said he could not choose but laugh at, and wil now and then *dare operam Augustino*, read *Austin*, frequent Sermons, & yet professed Vsurers, meer gripes, *tota vita ratio Epicurea est*; all their life is Epicurisme and Atheisme, come to Church all day, and lie with a Curtesan at night.

* *Erasmus.*

Qui Curios simulant & Bacchanalia vivunt.

Yea and many of those holy Friers, sanctified men, *Cappam*, saith *Hierom*, & *cilicium induunt, sed intus latronem tegunt*. They are wolues in sheeps cloathing, *Introrsum turpes, speciosi pelle decora*. Faire without and most fowle within. * *Latet plerumq; sub tristi amictu lascinia, & deformis horror vili veste tegitur*. Oftentimes vnder a mourning weed, lies lust it selfe, & horrible vices vnder a poore coat. But who can examine all those kindes of Hypocrites, or diue into their hearts? If we may guesse at the tree by the fruit, neuer so many as in these dayes, shew me a plaine dealing true honest man? *Et pudor, & probitas, & timor omnis abest*. He that shall but looke into their liues, and see such enormous vices, men so immoderate in lust, vnspeakable in malice, furious in their rage, flattering and dissembling, (all for their own ends) will surely thinke they are not truly religious, but of an obdurat heart, most part in a reprobate sense, as in this age. But let them carry it as they will for the present, dissemble as they can, a time will come when they shall be called to an account, their melancholy is at hand, * *in se spuit, qui in cæ-*

* *Seneca consol.*
ed *Polyb. 6. 27.*

SUBSEC. 2.

*Despaires, Equivocations, Definitions, parties
and parts affected*

* *Abernethy*
cap. 24.
of his Physick
of the soule.

Here be many kindes of desperation, whereof some bee holy, some vnholly, as ^f one distinguisheth, that vnholly hee defines out of *Tully*, to be *Agritudinem animi sive vlla rerum expectatione meliore*, a sickness of the soule without any hope or expectation of amendment: *Thomas 2. 2. distinct. 40. art. 4. Recessus à re desiderata propter impossibilitatem existimatam*, a restraint from the thing desired, for some impossibility supposed. Because they cannot obtaine what they would, they become desperate, and many times either yeeld to the passion by death it selfe, or else attempt impossibilities,

possibilities, not to bee performed by men. In some cases this desperate humour is not much to be discommended, as in warres it is a cause many times of extraordinary valour; as *Ioseph. lib. 1. de bello Iud. cap. 14. L. Danaus in Aphorif. polit. pag. 226.* & many politicians hold. It makes them improve their worth beyond it selfe, & of a forlorne impotent company become conquerours in a moment. *Vna salus victis nullam sperare salutem.* In such cases when they see no remedy, but that they must either kill or bee killed, they take courage, and oftentimes, *præter spem*, beyond all hope vindicate themselves. Fifteene thousand *Locrenses* fought against 100000 *Crotonienses*, and seeing now no way but one, they must all dye, † thought they would not dye vnravenged, and therevpon desperately giuing an assault, conquered their enemies. *Nec alia causa victoria* (saith *Iustine* mine author) *fuit, quam quod desperaverant.* *William* the Conqueror when he first landed in *England*, sent backe his ships, that his souldiers might haue no hope of retyring backe. & *Bodine* excuseth his countrimens ouerthrowe, at that famous battle of *Agincourt*, in *Henry* the 5. his time (*cui simile* saith *Froissard*, *tota historia producere non possit*, which no history can parallell almost, wherein one handfull of *Englishmen*, ouerthrew a Royal army of *Frenchmen*) with this refuge of despaire, *pauci desperati*, a few desperate fellowes being compassed in by their enemies, past all hope of life, fought like so many Diuells, and giues a caution, that no souldiers hereafter set vpon desperate persons, which † *Gneciaraine* likewise admonisheth, *Hypomnes. part. 2. pag. 25.* not to stop an enemy that is going his way. Many such kindes there are of desperation, when men are past hope of obtaining any suite. *Desperatio facit Monachum*, as the saying is, but these are equivocall, vnproper, when I speake of despaire, saith *Zanchie*, I speake not of enery kinde, but of that alone which concernes God. It is opposite to hope, and it is a most pernicious sinne, wherewith the Diuell seekes to intrap men. *Musculus* makes foure kindes of Desperation, of God, our selues, our neighbour, or any thing to be done, but this diuision of his may bee reduced easily to the former: all kindes are opposite to hope, that sweet moderator of passions as *Simonides* calls it, I doe not meane that vaine Hope which phantasticall fellowes faine to themselves, which according to *Aristotle* is that *insomnium vigilantium*, a waking dreame, but this diuine Hope, which proceeds from Confidence, and is an anchor of a floating soule, *spes alit agricolas*, and were it not for hope, we of all others were most miserable, as *Paul* saith, in this life, were it not for hope the heart would breake: yet doth it not so reare, as despaire doth deiect, this violent and sower passion of Despaire, and of all perturbations most grievous, as *Patritius* holds. Some diuide it into finall and temporall, ^k finall is incurable which befalleth reprobates, temporall is a reiection of hope and comfort for a time, which may befall the best of Gods children, and it commonly proceeds ^l from weaknesse of faith, as in *David* when he was oppressed, he cryed out, *O Lord thou hast forsaken me*, but this was for a time. This ebbes and flowes with hope, it is a grievous sinne howsoeuer: although some kinde of Despaire bee not amisse, when, saith *Zanchius*, we despaire of our owne meanes, and rely wholly vpon God: but that species is not here meant. This pernicious kinde of Desperation is the subiect of our discourse, *homicida anima*, the murderer of the soule, as *Austin* tearmes it a fearefull passion, wherein the party oppressed thinkes he can get

† *Omissa spe victoria in destitutam mortem conspirant: tantusq; arbor singulos cepit, ut victores se putarent si non inulti morerentur.* *Iustin. l. 20. & Method. hist. cap. 5.*

† *Hoffi abire volenti iter minime intercludi.* &c.

ⁿ *Super preceptum primum de Relig. & paritibus eius. Non loquor de omni desperatione, sed tantum de ea qua desperare solent homines de deo, opponitur spei & est peccatum gravissimum.* &c.
 ⁱ *Lib. 5 tit. 21. de regis institut. Omnium perturbationum deterrimæ.*
 ^k *Reprobi vsq; ad finem pertinaciter persistunt.* *Zanchius.*

^l *Vitium ab infidelitate proficiscens.*

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no ease but by death, and is fully resolved to offer violence vnto himselfe; so sensible of his burden, and impatient of his crosse, that hee hopes by death alone to be freed of his calamity (though it proue otherwise) & chuseth with *Iob 6. 8. 9. 17. 5. Rather to be strangled and die, then to be in his bones.* The part affected is the whole soule, and all the the faculties of it, there is a priuation of ioy, hope, trust, confidence, of present and future good, and in their place succeed feare, sorrow, &c. as in the Symptomes shall be shewed: The heart is grieved, the conscience wounded, the minde eclipsed with blacke fumes, arising from those perpetuall terrors.

Abcnetbie.

MEMB. 3.

Causes of Despaire, The Diuell, Melancholy, Meditation, Distrust, weaknesse of Faith, rigid Ministers, Misunderstanding Scriptures, Guilty Conscience, &c.

THe principall agent & procurer of this mischiefe, is the Diuell, those whom God forsakes, the Diuell by his permission layes hold on. Sometimes hee persecures them with that worme of conscience as he did *Iudas*, *Saul*, and others. The Poets call it *Nemesis*, but it is indeed Gods iust iudgement, *sero sed sero*, he strikes home at last, and setteth vpon them *as a thiefe in the night*, *1. Thes. 2. 0* This temporary passion made *Dauid* cry out, *Lord rebuke me not in thy anger, neither chasten me in thine heavy displeasure, for thine arrowes haue light vpon me, & there is nothing sound in my flesh, because of thine anger.* Again, *I roare for the very griefe of mine heart, and Psal. 22. My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me, & art so far from my health, and the words of my crying, I am like to water poured out, my bones are out of ioynt, mine heart is like waxe, that is molten in the midst of my bowels.* So *Ps. 88 15. and 16. ver. and Psal. 102. I am in misery at the point of death from my youth I suffer thy terrors doubting for my life, thine indignations haue gone ouer me, and thy feare hath cut me off.* *Iob* doth often complaine in this kinde, & those God doth not assist, the Diuell is ready to try & to torment, still seeking whom he may deuoure. If he finde them merry, saith *Gregory*, hee tempts them forth with to some dissolute act, if pensive and sad, to a desperate end, *aut suadendo blanditur aut minando terret.* Sometimes by fayre meanes, sometimes againe by fowle, as he perceaues men feuerally inclined. His ordinary engine by which he produceth this effect, is the melancholy humour it selfe, which is *Balneum Diaboli*, the Diuells bath; and as in *Saul*, those euill spirits get in as it were, and take possession of vs. Black colour is a shooing horne, a baite to allure them, inso much that many writers make melancholy an ordinary cause, and a Symptome of despaire; for that such men are most apt, by reason of their ill disposed temper, to distrust, feare, griefe, mistake, & amplify whatsoeuer they preposterously conceaue, or falsely apprehend. *Conscientia scrupulosa nascitur ex vitio naturali complexionis melancholica*, saith *Nanarius. c. 27. num. 282. Tom. 2. cas. conscient.* The body workes vpon the mind, by obfuscating the spirits, and corrupted instruments, which *Perkins* illustrates by that simile of an Artificer, that hath a bad toole, his skill is good, abillie correspondent, by reason of bad tooles, his worke must needs bee lame, and vn-

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perfect. But Melancholy and Despaire though often, doe not alwaies con-
 curre; there is much difference; Melancholy feares without a cause, this vpon
 great occasion; melancholy is caused by feare and grieve, but this torment
 procures them and all extremity of bitterness, much Melancholy is without
 affliction of conscience, as *Bright* and *Perkins* illustrate by foure reasons; &
 yet Melancholy alone againe may bee sometimes a sufficient cause of this
 terrour of conscience. *Felix Platter* so found it in his obseruations, *de me-*
lancholicis alij damnatos se putant, &c. They thinke they are not predestinate,
 God hath forsaken them; and yet otherwise very zealous and religious. & 'tis
 common to be seene, *Melancholy* for feare of Gods iudgements and hell fire,
 drives men to desperation, feare and sorrow; if they be immoderate, end often with
 it. Losse of goods, losse of friends, and those lesser griefes doe sometimes ef-
 fect it, or such dismall accidents: *Felix Platter* hath a memorable example
 in this kinde, of a Painters wife in *Basil*, that was melancholy for her sonnes
 death, and from melancholy became desperate, she thought God would not
 pardon her sinnes, and for foure months still raues, that shee was in hell fire, al-
 ready damned. When the humour is stirred vp, every small object aggrauats
 and incenseth it, as the parties are addicted. The same Author hath an ex-
 ample of a marchant man, that for the losse of a little wheat, which hee had
 ouer long kept, was troubled in conscience, for that hee had not sold it
 sooner, or giuen it to the poore; yet a good Scholler, and a great Diuine, no
 perswasion would serue to the contrary; but that for this fact hee was dam-
 ned, in other matters very iudicious and discreet. Solitarinesse, much fasting,
 diuine meditations, and contemplations of Gods iudgements, most part ac-
 company this Melancholy, and are maine causes, as *Navarrus* holds, to co-
 uerse with such kind of persons so troubled is a sufficient occasion of trouble
 to some men. *Nonnulli ob longas inedia, studia & meditationes caelestes, de re-*
bis sacris & religione semper agitant, &c. Many, saith *Pet. Forestius*, through
 long fasting, serious meditations of heavenly things, fall into such fits, and as
Lemnius addes, lib. 4. c. 21. If they be solitary giuen superstitious, precise or very
 devout: seldome shall you finde a Marchant, a Souldier, an Inne-keeper, a Bawd,
 an Host, an Usurer so troubled in mind, they haue che verell consciences that will
 stretch, they are seldome moued in this kind or molested: young men and middle
 age are more wild, and lesse apprehensue, but old folkes most part, such as are ri-
 morous and religiously giuen. *Pet. Forestius* obseruat. lib. 10. cap. 12. de morbis
 cerebri, hath a fearefull example of a Minister, that through precise fasting in
 Lent, and ouermuch meditation contracted this mischiefe, and in the end be-
 came desperate, thought he saw Diuells in his chamber, and that hee could
 nor be saued, he smelled nothing, as he said, but fire and brimstone, and was
 already in hell, and would aske them still, if they did not smell as much. I told
 him he was melancholy, but he laughed me to scorne, and replied that hee
 saw Diuells, talked with them in good earnest, and would spit in my face, &
 aske me if I did not smell brimstone, and at last he was by him cured. Such an
 other story I finde in *Platter* obseruat. lib. 1. A poore fellow had done some
 fowle offence, and for fourteene daies would eat no meat, in the end became
 Desperate, the Diuines about him could not ease him, but so he died. Con-
 tinuall meditation of Gods iudgements trouble many. *Multi ob timorem fu-*
turi iudicii, saith Guatinerius cap. 5. tract. 15. *Et suspicionem desperandi sunt;*

† Tract. Melan.
 cap. 33. & 34.

† Cap. 3. de men-
 tis alien. Deo
 minus se cura-
 esse. nec ad la-
 lutem predesti-
 natos esse.

Ad Desperatio-
 nem sepe ducit
 hec melancholia
 & est frequen-
 tissima ob sup-
 plicium metum a-
 ternumq. iudici-
 um, maior &
 metus in despe-
 rationem plo-
 ramq. desinit.

† Damnatam se
 putant & per
 quatuor menses
 gehenne panem
 sentire.

† 1566. ob tri-
 tium diutius
 seruatum con-
 scientie stimulus
 agitur, &c.

† Tom. 2. c. 27.
 num. 28. con-
 uersatio cum
 scrupulosis, vici-
 tie, ieiunia.

† Solitarios &
 supersticiosos
 plerumq. exagi-
 tat conscientia,
 non mercator ei-
 lenques, capto-
 nes, generatores
 &c. largitionem
 hi magis sunt co-
 scientiam, iure
 nes plerumq. co-
 scientiam neg-
 ligunt, senes au-
 tem &c.

† Annon sentis
 sulphur, inquit
 &c. m. m. m. m.

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David himselfe complains that Gods iudgements terrified his soule. *Ps. 119 part. 16. ver. 8. My flesh trembleth for feare of thee, and I am afraid of thy iudgements. Quoties diem illum cogito, saith Hierome, toto corpore contremisco, I tremble as often as I thinke of it.*

Especially if their bodies be predisposed by Melancholy, and they religiously giuen, and haue tender consciences, euery small object affrights them, the very inconsiderate reading of Scripture it selfe, and misinterpretation of some places of it, as, *Many are called few are chosen. Not every one that saith Lord. Feare not little flocke. He that stands, let him take heed lest he fall, worke out your saluation with feare and trembling. That night two shall be in a bed, one receaued the other left. Straight is the way that leads to heauen, and few there are that enter therein.* The parable of the seed and the sower, *some fell on barren ground, some was choked, whom he hath predestinated, he hath chosen. He will haue mercy on whom he will haue mercy. Non est volentis nec currentis sed miserentis Dei.* These and the like places terrifie the soules of many, election, predestination, reprobation, preposterously conceaued offend many, with a deale of foolish presumption, curiosity, needlesse speculation, contemplation, sollicitude, wherein they trouble & puzzle themselves about those questions of grace, freewill, perscuerance, Gods secrets, they will know more then is revealed by God in his word, humane capacity, or ignorance apprehend, and too importunate enquiry of that which is revealed, mysteries, ceremonies, obseruations of Sabbaoths, lawes, duties, &c. with many such which the Casuists discusse, and Schoolmen broach, which diuerse mistake, misconster, misapply to themselves, to their owne vndoing, and so fall into this gulfe. *They doubt of their Election, how they shall knowe it, by what signes? and so far forth, saith Luther, with such nice points, torture and crucifie themselves, that they are almost mad, and all they get by it is this, they lay open a gappe to the diuel by Desperation to carry them to hell.* But the greatest harme of all proceeds from those thūdering Ministers, a most frequent cause they are of this malady: and doe more harme in the Church, saith Erasmus, then they that flatter; great danger on both sides, the one lulls them asleepe in carnall security, the other drives them to Desperation. Whereas S. Bernard well aduiseeth, *wee should not meddle with the one without the other, nor speake of iudgement without mercy, the one alone brings Desperation, the other securitie.* But these men are wholly for iudgement, of a rigid disposition themselves, that can speak of nothing but reprobation, hell, fire, and damnation, as they did, *Luk. 11. 46. lade men with burdens grievous to be borne, which they themselves touch not with a finger.* 'Tis familiar with our Papists to terrifie mens soules with Purgatory, tales, visions, apparitions, to daunt even the most generous spirits, to require charity, as Brentius obserues, *of others, bounty, meeknesse, loue, patience, when they themselves breath nought but lust, envy, covetousnesse.* They teach others to fast, giue almes, doe penance, and crucifie their minde with superstitious obseruations, bread and water, haire clothes, whips, and the like, whē they themselves haue all the dainties the world can afford, ly on downe beds, with a Curtisan in their armes: *Heu quantum patimur pro Christo,* as he said, what a cruell tyranny is this, so to insult ouer and terrifie mens soules. Our indiscreet Pastors many of them come not farre behinde, whilest in their ordinary sermons they still aggrauate sinne, thunder out Gods iudgements without

^a In 17. Iobani-
nis. Non pauci
se cruciant, &
excarnificant in
tantum, ut non
parum absint
ab insaniā, neq;
tamen aliud bac-
mentis anxie-
tate efficiunt,
quā ut diabolo
potestatem faci-
ant ipsos per de-
spirationem ad
inferos produ-
cendi.

^b Ecclesiast. lib. 1.
Haud scio an
maius discrim-
en ab his qui
blandiuntur, an
ab his qui terri-
rant ingens u-
trinq; periculum.
alii ad securita-
tem ducunt, alii
afflictionum
magnitudine
mentem absor-
beant, & in de-
spirationem tra-
hant.

^c Bern. sup. 16.
Cant. 1. alterum
sine altero pro-
ferre non expe-
dit recordatio
solius iudicii in
desperationem
precipitat, &
misericordie
fallax ostentatio,
pessimam gene-
rat securitatem.

^d In Luc. hom.
103. exigunt ab
aliis charitatem,
beneficentiam,
cū ipsi nil spe-
rent præter li-
bidinem, inui-
diam, auariti-
am.

^e Leo Decimus,

without respect, rayle at and pronounce them damned, for giuing so much to sports and honest recreations, making every small fault and a thing indifferent, an irremissible offence, they so wound mens consciences, that they are almost at their wits ends.

Those bitter potions, saith^f Erasmus, are still in their mouthes, nothing but gall and horror, and a mad noyse, they make all their auditors desperate: many are wounded by this meanes, and they commonly that are most devout and precise, haue beene formerly most presumptuous, and certaine of their salvation, they that haue tender consciences, that follow sermons, that haue least cause, they are most apt to mistake, and fall into these miseries. I haue heard some complaine of Parsons Resolution, and other bookes of like nature (good otherwise) they are too tragicall, too much deiecting men, aggravating offences, great care and choice, much discretion is required in this kinde.

The last and the greatest cause of this malady, is our owne conscience, sense of our owne sinnes, and of Gods anger iustly deserued, a guilty conscience for some foule offence formerly committed,

—† O miser Oreste, quid morbi te perdit?

Or: Conscientia. Sum enim mihi conscius de malis perpetratis.

A good conscience is a continuall feast, but a gauled conscience is as great a torment as can possibly happen, a still baking oven, as Pierius in his Hieroglyph, compares it, another hell. Our conscience which is a great Ledgier booke, wherein are written all our offences, a register to lay them vp, (which those Egyptians in their Hieroglyphickes expressed by a mill, as well for the continuance, as for the torture of it) grindes our soules with the remembrance of some precedent sinnes, & makes vs reflect vpon, accuse & condemne our owne selues.^b Sinne lies at doore, &c. I know there be many other causes assigned by Zanchius,ⁱ Musculus, and others, as incredulity, infidelity, presumption, ignorance, blindness, ingratitude, discontent, &c. but this of conscience is the greatest, ^k Instar ulceris corpus iugiter percellens: This scrupulous conscience (as ^l Peter Forestus calls it, which tortures so many, that either out of a deepe apprehension of their vnworthinesse, and consideration of their owne dissolute life, accuse themselves, and aggravate euery small offence, when there is no such cause, misdoubting in the meane time of Gods mercies, they fall into these inconveniences. The Poets call them^m Furies, Dire, but it is this Conscience alone which is a thousand witnesses to accuse vs,

† Note diem, suum gestant in pectore testem.

a continuall witness to giue in Evidence, to empanell a Jury to examine vs, to cry guilty, a persecutor with hue and cry to follow, an apparitor to summon vs, a bayliffe to carry vs, a Seriant to arrest, an Attourney to plead against vs, a Jaylor to torment, a Judge to condemne, still accusing, condemning, torturing, pleading against vs. And as the statue of Iuno in that holy city neare Euphrates in^{*} Assyria, will look still towards you, sit where you will in her Temple, she lookes full vpon you, If you goe by, she followes with her eye, in all sites, places, conventicles, actions, our conscience will be still ready to accuse vs, sinne lies at doore. After many pleasant dayes, and fortunate adventures, merry tides, this conscience at last doth arrest vs. Well hee may escape temporall punishment,ⁿ bribe a corrupt Iudge, auoide the censure of the Law, and flourish for a time,^o who euer saw (saith Chrysostome) a conetous

^f De summo iudicio, de damnatione horrendum crepuit, & amaras illas positiones in ore semper habent, ut multos inde in desperationem cogunt.

† Euripides.
^g Pierius.
^h Gen. 4.
ⁱ 9 Causes Musculus makes.
^k Plutarch.
^l Alios miser affligit plena scrupulis conscientia nodum in seipso querunt, & ubi nulla causa subest, misericordie diuine diffident, se orco destinant.
^m Calius lib. 6.
ⁿ Iuuenal.
^o Lucian. de deo Syri.
^p Si ad miseriam affligit, si trans eas, visu te sequitur.
^q Prima hec est ultio, quod se iudice nemo nocens absoluitur, improba quamvis Gratia fallacis pretoris viceris iuram. Iuuenal.
^r Quis unquam vidit avarum ringi, dum lucris adest, adulterum, dum potitur voto, lugere in perpetrando scelere, voluptate sumus ebrii, proinde non sentimus, &c.

man troubled in minde when he is telling of his money, an adulterer mounne with his mistress in his armes: wee are then drunke with pleasure, and perceive nothing: but as the prodigall sonne had dainty fare, sweete musicke at first, merry company, Ioviall entertainment, but a cruell reckoning in the end, as bitter as wormewood, a fearefull visitation commonly followes. And that Diuell that then told thee that it was a light sinne, or no sinne at all, now aggravates on the other side, and telleth thee, that it is a most irremissible offence, as he did *Cain* and *Judas*, to bring them to despaire. Tragicall examples in this kinde, are too familiar and common, *Adrian*, *Galba*, *Nero*, *Otho*, *Vitel- lius*, *Caracalla*, were in such horror of conscience for their offences committed, murders, rapes, extortions, iniuries, that they were weary of their liues, &c. could get no body to kill them. ^a *Kenethus* king of *Scotland*, when hee had murdered his Nephew *Malcolme* king *Duffes* sonne, Prince of *Cumberland*, and with counterfeit teares and protestations dissembled the matter a long time, ^b at last his conscience accused him, his vnquiet Soule could rest day nor night, he was terrified with fearefull dreames, and so miserably tormented all his life. It is strange to read what ^c *Comineus* hath written of *Lewes* the 11. that French King, of *Charles* the 8. and of *Alphonssus* King of *Naples*, In the fury of his passion how he came into *Sicily*, and what pranks he plaid. *Guicciardine* a man most vnapt to beleue lies, relates how that *Ferdinand* his fathers ghost, who before had died for griefe, came and told him, that he could not resist the French King, he thought euery man cried *France*, *France*; the reason of it, saith *Comineus*, was because he was a vile tyrant, a murderer, an oppressor of his subiects, he bought vp all commodities, and sold them at his own price, sold Abbies to *Jewes*, and *Falconers*, both *Ferdinand* his father, and he himselfe, neuer made conscience of any committed sinne; and to conclude, saith he, it was vnpossible to doe worse then they did. Why was *Pausanias* that *Spartan* Tyrant, *Nero*, *Otho*, *Galba*, so persecuted with spirits in euery house they came, but for their murders which they had committed? ^d Why doth the Diuell haunt many mens houses after their deaths, & take possession of their habitations, as it were, of their palaces, but because of their seuerall villanies? Why had *Richard* the 3. such fearefull dreames, saith *Polidor*, but for his frequent murders? Why was *Theodoricus* that King of the *Gothes*, so suspicious, and so affrighted with a fish head alone, but that he had murdered *Symmachus*, & *Boethius* his sonne in law, those worthy *Romans*? *Celins lib. 27. cap. 22.* See more in *Plutarch*, in his tract *De his qui sero à Numine puniuntur*, and in his booke *De tranquillitate animi*, &c. Yea, and sometimes GOD himselfe hath a hand in it, to shew his power, humiliate, exercise, and to try their faith; (diuine temptation, *Perkins* calls it, *Cas. consc. lib. 1. cap. 8. sect. 1.*) to punish them for their sinnes, God the avenger, as ^e *Dauid* calls him, *ultor à tergo Deus*, his wrath is apprehended of a guilty Soule, as by *Saul* and *Judas*, which the Poets expressed by *Adrastia*, or *Nemesis*.

*Assequitur, Nemesisq; virum vestigia seruat,
Ne male quid facias.*

^f *Regina causarum & arbitra rerum nunc erexit cervices opprimis, &c.*

And she is, as ^g *Ammianus lib. 14.* describes her, the *Queene of causes*, and *moderator of things*, now she pulls downe the proud, now shee reares and encourageth those that are good, he giues instance in his *Eusebius*, *Nicephorus lib. 10. cap. 35. eccles. hist. in Maximianus & Iulian.* Fearefull examples of Gods iust

^a *Buchanan lib. 6. Hist. Scot.*

^b *Animus conscientia sceleris inquit, nullum admisit gaudium, sed semper vexatus noctu & interdum, per somnium visis horrore plenis perterritus, &c.*

^c *De bello Neapol. 9. Thyreus dolens in eis, part. 1. cap. 2.*

^d *Ps. 44. 1.*

^e *Regina causarum & arbitra rerum nunc erexit cervices opprimis, &c.*

juſt iudgement, wrath & vengeance are to bee found in all hiſtories, of ſome that haue beene eaten to death with Rats and Mice, as ^{54.} *Popelius* the ſecond King of Poland, A^o 830, his wife and children; the like ſtory is of *Hatto*, Arch-biſhop of *Mentz*, A^o 969, ſo deuoured by theſe vermine, which how ſoeuer *Serrarius* the Jeſuite *Mogunt. rerum lib. 4. cap. 5.* impugne by 22 Arguments, *Tritemius*, ^u *Munſter, Magdeburgenſis*, and many others, relate for a truth. Such another example I finde in *Giraldus Cambrenſis Itin. Cam. lib. 2. cap. 2.* and where not? ^{† Alex. Gaguinus catal. reg. Pol.} ^{u Ceſmog. Munſter. & Magde.}

SVBSEC. 4.

Symptomes of Deſpaire, Feare, Sorrow, Suſpition, anxiety, horror of conſcience, fearefull dreames and viſions.

AS Shoemakers doe when they bring home ſhoes, ſtill cry, leather is dearer and dearer, may I juſtly ſay of theſe melancholy Symptoms; theſe of Deſpaire are moſt violent, tragicall and grievous, far beyond the reſt, not to be expreſſed but negatiuely, as it is a priuation of all happines; not to be endured, *for a wounded ſpirit who can beare it? Prov. 18. 19* What therefore [†] *Timanthes* did in his picture of *Iphigenia*, now ready to be ſacrificed; when he had painted *Chalcas* mourning, *Vlyſſes* ſad, but moſt ſorrowful *Menelaus*; and had ſhewed all his Art in expreſſing variety of affections, hee couered the maides father, *Agamemmons* head with a vaile, and left it to euery ſpectator to conceiue what he would himſelfe, for that true paſſion & ſorrow in *ſummo gradu*, ſuch as his was, could not by any art be deciphred. what he did in his picture, I will doe in deſcribing the Symptoms of Deſpaire, imagine what thou canſt, feare, ſorrow, ſuries, griefe, paine, terror, angor, diſmall, gaſtly, tedious, irkſome, &c. it is not ſufficient, it comes farre ſhort, no tongue can tell, no heart conceiue it. 'Tis an Epitome of Hell, an Extract, a Quinteſſence, a Compound, a mixture of all ſerall maladies, tyrannicall tortures, plagues & perplexities. There is no ſickneſſe almoſt, but Phyſicke prouideth a remedy for it; to euery ſore, Chirurgery will prouide a ſalue; friendſhip helpeſ pouerty, hope of liberty eaſeth imprisonment, ſute and fauour reuoke baniſhment; authority and time, weare away reproach: but what Phyſicke, what Chirurgery, what wealth, fauour, authority, can relieue, beare out, aſſwage, or expell a troubled conſcience, a quiet minde cureth all them, but all they cannot comfort a diſtreſſed Soule: who can put to ſilence the voice of deſperation. All that is ſingle in other melancholy, *Horribile, durum, peſtilens, atrox, ferum*, concurreſ in this, It is more then Melancholy in the higheſt degree, a burning feauer of the Soule, ſo made, ſaith ^x *Iacchinas*, by this miſery: feare, ſorrow, and deſpaire, he puts for ordinary Symptoms of Melancholy. They are in great paine and horroure of minde, diſtraction of ſoule, reſtleſſe, full of continuall feares, cares, torments, anxieties, they can neither eat, drinke, nor ſleep for them, take no reſt.

*Perpetua impietas, nec menſe tempore ceſſat
Exagitat veſana quies, ſomnig, ſurentes.*

Neither at bed, nor yet at bord,
Will any reſt Deſpaire afford.

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Feare

[†] *Plinius cap. 10 lib. 35. Conſumptis affectibus, Agamemnonis caput velaui, ut omnes quem poſſent, maximum macorem in virginis patre cogitarent.*

^x *Cap. 15. in 9 Rhafis.*

[†] *Iuuen. Sat. 13*

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^a Mentem eripit timor huius vultus, totumque corporis habitum immutat; etiam in deliciis, in tripudiis, in symposiis, in amplexu coniugis carnificinam exercet, lib. 4. cap. 21.

^a Non sunt conscientia tales homines recta per ha proferre, aut rectis quonquam oculis aspicere, ab omni hominum metu eosdem ex terminat, et dormientes perterrefacit Philost. lib. 1. de vita Apollonii.

^b Eusebius, Nicephorus eccles. hist. lib. 4. c. 17.

^c Seneca lib. 18. epist. 106. Conscientia aliud agere non patitur, perturbata viam agunt, nunquam vacat, etc.

^d Lib. 1. obs.

^e Ad maledicendum Deo.

^f Genlart.

Feare takes away their content, and dries the blood, wasteth the marrow, alters their countenance, even in their greatest delights, singing, dancing, dalliance they are still (saith ^a Lemnius) tortured in their soules. It consumes them to nought, I am like a Pelican in the wilderness, saith David of himselfe, temporally afflicted, an Owle because of thine indignation. Ps. 102. ver. 8. 10. and Psal. 55. 4. My heart trembleth within me, and the terrours of death haue come vpon me, feare and trembling are come vpon me. &c. at deaths doore, Psal. 107. 18. Their soule abhorres all manner of meat. Their ^a sleepe is, if it be any, vnquiet, subiect to feareful dreames, and terrors. Peter in his bands, slept secure, for he knew God protected him; and Tully makes it an argument of Roscius Amerinus innocency, that hee killed not his father, because hee so securely slept. Those Martyrs in the Primitiue Church were most ^b cheareful & merry in the midst of their persecutions; but it is farre otherwise with these men, tossed as a Sea, and that continually without rest or intermission, they can thinke of nought that is pleasant, ^c their conscience will not let them be quiet, in perpetuall feare, anxiety, that they be not yet apprehended, they are in doubt still they shall be, ready to betray themselves, as Cain did, he thinkes euery man will kill him: And roares for the grieve of heart, Ps. 38. 8. as David did, as Job did, 3. 20. 21. 22. &c. wherefore is light giuen to him that is in misery, and life to them that haue heauy hearts? which long for death, and if it come not, search it more then treasures, and reioyce when they can finde the graue. They are generally weary of their liues, a trembling heart they haue, a sorrowfull minde, and little or no rest. Gods heauy wrath is kindled in their soules, and notwithstanding their continuall prayers and supplications to Christ Iesus, they haue no release or ease at all, but a most intollerable torment, and insufferable anguish of conscience, and that makes them through impatience to murmure against God many times, to blaspheme, and seeke to offer violence to themselves. Deut. 28. 65. 66. In the morning they wish for euening, and for morning in the euening, for the sight of their eyes which they see, and feare of hearts. And so for the most part it is with them all, they thinke they heare & see visions, conferre with Diuels, that they are tormented, possessed, and in hell fire already damned, quite forsaken of God, they haue no sense or feeling of mercy, or grace, hope of saluation, their sentence of condemnation is already past, and not to be reuoked. Neuer was any liuing creature in such torment before, in such a miserable estate, in such distresse of mind, no hope, no faith, past cure, reprobate, continually tempted to make away themselves: Some thing talkes with them, they spit fire and brimstone, they cannot but blasphemate, they cannot repent, beleene, or thinke a good thought, so farre carried, ut cogantur ad impia cogitandum etiam contra voluntatem, saith ^d Felix Plater, They thinke euill against their wils; that which they abhorre themselves, they must needs thinke and speake. Hee giues instance in a Patient of his, that when he would pray, had such euill thoughts still suggested to him, and wicked ^e meditations. Another instance he hath of a woman, that was often tempten to curse God, to blaspheme, and kill her selfe. Sometimes the Diuell (as they say) stands without, and talkes with them, sometime, he is within them, as they think, and there speakes & talks as to such as are possessed; As Apollidorus in Plutarch, thought his heart spake within him. There is a most memorable example of ^f Francis Spira an Advocate of Padua, Anno

1545. that being desperate, by no counsell of learned men could be comforted, he felt (as he said) the paines of hell in his soule, in all other things hee discoursed aright; but in this most mad. *Frisemelica, Bellouat*, and some other excellent Physicians, could neither make him eat, drinke, or sleepe, no perswasion could ease him. Neuer pleaded any man so well for himselfe, as this man did against himselfe, and so he desperately died: *Springer* a Lawyer hath written his life. *Cardinall Crescence* died so likewise desperate at *Verona*, still he thought a black dog followed him to his death-bed, no man could driue the dogge away. *Sleidan* com. 23. cap. lib. 3. Whilst I was a writing this Treatise, saith *Montaltus* cap. 2. de mel. 8. A Nun came to me for help, well for all other matters, but troubled in conscience for 5 yeares last past, shee is almost mad, and not able to resist, thinks she hath offended God, and is certainly damned. *Felix Plater* hath store of instances of such as thought themselves damned, h for faken of God, &c. One amongst the rest, that durst not goe to Church, or come neere the *Rhine*, for feare to make away himselfe, because then he was most especially temptred. These and such like Symptomes, are intended and remitted, as the malade it selfe is more or lesse, some will heare good counsell, some will not; some desire helpe, some reiect all, and will not be eased.

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Dum hec scribo, impietate mea monacha, in reliquis rebus, & inuicta recte, per 5. annos me laetificat domum, nam se dicit, conscientia stimulis oppressa, &c.
Alios conque- rentes auduisse esse ex damnationis numero. Deo non esse curare, aliq. finit, que proferre non audebant, vel abhorrebant

SVBSEC. 5.

Prognostickes of Despaire, Blasphemy, violent death, &c.

Most part these kinde of persons make away themselves, some are mad but most offer violence to their owne persons. A wounded spirit who can beare, *Prov. 18. 14.* As *Cain*, *Saul*, *Achitophel*, *Indas*, blasphemed & dyed. *Bede* saith, *Pilat* died desperate eight yeares after *Christ*, *Felix Plater* hath collected many examples, *1* A Marchants wife that was long troubled with such temptations, in the night rose from her bed, and out of the window broke her necke into the streete, another drowned himselfe desperate as he was, in the *Rhine*, some cut their throats, many hang themselves. But this needes no illustration. It is controuerted by some, whether a man so offering violence to himselfe, dying desperate, may be saued J or no? If they die so obstinately and suddenly, that they can not so much as wish for mercy, the worst is to be suspected, because they die impenitent. *m* If their death haue bin a little more lingring, wherein they might haue some leisure in their hearts to cry for mercy, charity may iudge the best, diuers haue bin recovered out of the very act of hanging and drowning themselves, and so brought *ad sanam mentem*, they haue beene very penitent, much abhorred their former fact, and haue confessed that they haue repented in an instant, & cryed for mercy in their hearts. If a man put desperate hands vpon himselfe, by occasion of madnesse or melancholy, if hee haue giuen testimony before of his regeneration, in regard he doe this not so much out of his will, as *ex vi morbi*, we must make the best construction of it, as *a Turkes* doe, that thinke all fooles and madmen goe directly to Heauen.

Musculina. Patrius. ad vim sibi inferendam cogit homines.
3. De mentis alienat observ. lib. 1.
Vxor Mercatoris diu vexationibus tentata, &c.

m Abernethy.

n Zuzbargh.

SVBSEC. 6.

Cure of Despaire by Physicke, good counsell, comforts, &c.

• Iohn Maior
vitis patrum.
quidam negavit
Christum, per
Chirographum,
post restitutus.
• Trincavelius
lib. 3. consil. 46.

EXperience teacheth vs, that though many dye obstinate, and wilfull in this malady, yet many againe are able to resist and ouercome, seeke for helpe, and finde comfort, are taken *è sancibus Erebi*, from the choppes of hell, and out of the Diuels pawes, though they haue by obligation giuen themselves to him. Some out of their owne strength, and Gods assistance, *Though he kill me, saith Iob, yet will I trust in him*, out of good counsel, aduice, and Physicke. *P. Bellonacius* cured a Monke by altering of his habit, and course of life: *Plater* many by Physicke alone. But for the most part they must concurre, and they take a wrong course that thinke to ouercome this ferall passion by Physicke alone; and they are as much out, that thinke to worke this effect by good aduice alone, though both bee forcible in themselves, yet *vis unita fortior*, they must goe hand in hand in this disease:

— *alterius sic altera poscit opem.* —

For Physick the like course is to be taken with this as in other melancholy, diet, aire, exercise, all those passions and perturbations of the minde, &c. are to bee rectified by the same meanes. They must not bee left solitary, or to themselves, neuer idle, neuer out of company. Counsell, good comfort is to be applyed, as they shall see the parties inclined, or to the causes, whether it be losse, feare, griefe, discontent, or some such ferall accident, a guilty conscience, or otherwise by frequent meditation, or too grieuous an apprehension, and consideration of his former life, by hearing, reading of Scriptures, good Diuines, good aduice and conference, applying GODS Worde to their distressed Soules: it must bee corrected and counter-poyised. Many excellent exhortations, paræneticall discourses are extant to this purpose, for such as are any way troubled in mind, *Perkins, Greenham, Hayward, Bright, Abernethy, Culmannus, Hemmingius, Calius Secundus*, are copious in this subiect: *Azorius, Navarrus, Sayrus, &c.* and such as haue written cases of conscience amongst our Põtifical writers. But because these mens works are not to all parties at hand, so parable at all times, I will for the benefit and ease of such as are afflicted, at the request of some friends, recollect out of their voluminous Treatises, some few such comfortable speeches, exhortations, arguments, aduise, tending to this subiect, & out of Gods word, knowing, as *Culmannus* saith, vpon the like occasion, *how vnaavailable and vaine mens counsells are to comfort an afflicted conscience, except Gods word concurre and be annexed, from which comes life, ease, repentance, &c.* Presupposing first that which *Beza, Grenham, Perkins*, giue in charge, the parties to whom counsell is giuen be sufficiently prepared, humbled for their sinnes, fitte for comfort, confessed, tried how they are more or lesse afflicted, how they stand affected, or capable of good aduise, before any remedies be applyed: To such therefore as are so thoroughly searched and examined, I addresse this following discourse.

† My brother
George Burton,
M. James White-
hall, Rector of
Chechly in
Staffordshire,
my quondam
chamber-fel-
low, and late
fellow student
in Christchurch
Oxon.
• Scio quam
vana sit & in-
efficax humano-
rum verborum
penes affictos
consolatio, nisi
verbum dei au-
diatur, à quo vi-
ta, refrigeratio,
solatium, peni-
tentia.
• Antid. aduer-
sus desperationē

Two maine Antidotes *b Hemmingius* obserues opposite to Despair, good Hope out of Gods word, to be embraced, peruerse Security from the diuels treachery

treachery, to be reiected, *illa salus anima, hac pestis*; one saues the other kills, *occidit animam*, saith *Austin*, and doth as much harme as Despaire it selfe.

Navarrus the Casuist, reckons vp ten speciall cures out of *Anton. 1. part. Tit. 3. cap. 10.* 1. God. 2. Physicke. 3. ^d avoiding such objects as haue caused it. 4 Submission of himselfe to other mens iudgements. 5. Answer of all objections, &c. all which *Caietan*, *Gerson lib. de vit. spirit. Sayrus lib. 1. cas. consc. cap. 14.* repeat and approue out of *Emanuel Roderiques, cap. 51. & 52. Grenham* prescribes 6 special rules, *Culmannus* 7. First to acknowledge all helpe comes from God. 2. That the cause of their present misery is sinne. 3. To repent and be hartely sorry for their sinnes. 4. To pray earnestly to God they may be eased. 5. To expect and implore the prayers of the Church, and good mens advice. 6. Physicke. 7. To commend themselues to God, & relye vpon his mercy: others otherwise, but all to this effect. But forasmuch as most men in this malady are spiritually sicke, void of reason almost, ouerborne by their miseries, and too deepe an apprehension of their sinnes, they cannot apply themselves to good counsell, pray, beleue, repent, wee must as much as in vs lies occurre and helpe their peculiar infirmities, according to their seuerall causes and symptomes, as we shall finde them distressed and complaine.

The main matter which terrifies & tormets most that are troubled in mind, is the enormity of their offences, the intolerable burden of their sins, Gods heavy wrath, and displeasure so deeply apprehended, that they account themselves reprobates, quite forsaken of God, already damned, past all hope of grace, vncapable of mercy, *diaboli mancipia*, slaues of sinne, and their offences so great they cannot be forgiven. But these men must knowe there is no sinne so haynous which is not pardonable in it selfe, no crime so great, but by Gods mercy it may be forgiven. *where sinne aboundeth, grace aboundeth much more, Rom. 5. 20.* And that the Lord said vnto *Paule* in his extremity *2. Cor. 11. 9. My grace is sufficient for thee, for my power is made perfect through weaknesse*, concernes every man in like case. His promises are made finite to all beleeuers, generally spoken to all touching remission of sinnes, that are truly penitent, grieved for their offences, and desire to be reconciled. *Math. 9. 12. 13. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance*, that is, such as are truly touched in conscience for their sinnes. Againe, *Mat. 11. 28. Come vnto me all yee that are heavy laden, and I will ease you, Ezek. 18. 27. At what time soeuer a sinner shall repent him of his sinnes, from the bottome of his heart, I will blot out all his wickednesse out of my remembrance saith the Lord. Isay, 43. 25. I euen I am he that put away thine iniquities for mine owne sake, and will not remember thy sinnes. As a father (saith David, Psal. 103. 13.) hath compassion on his children, so hath the Lord compassion on them that feare him. And will receaue them againe as the prodigall sonne was entertained Luk. 15. if they shall so come with teares in their eyes and a penitent heart. Though *Cain* cry out in the anguish of his soule, my punishment is greater then I can beare, tis not so, *Thou liest Cain (saith Austin) Gods mercy is greater then thy sinne. His mercy is aboue all his workes, Psal. 145. 9. able to satisfie for all mens sinnes, antilutrow. 1. Tim. 2. 6. His mercy was great to Solomon, to Manasses, to Peter, great to all offenders, and whosoever thou art, it may be so to thee. For why should God bid vs pray (as Austin inferres) Deliuere vs from all euill, nisi ipse misericors perseveraret, if he did not intend to helpe vs? Hee there-**

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*Magnum in-
iuriam Deo fa-
cit qui diffinit
de eius miseri-
cordia.*

*¶ Bonitas invi-
ctibilis vincit
infiniti miseri-
cordia non fini-
tur.*

*¶ Rom. 3. De
penitentia: Tua
quidem malitia
mensuram ha-
bet, Dei autem
misericordia
mensuram non
habet. Tua ma-
litia circum-
scripta est. &c.*

*¶ Pelagus et si
magnum men-
suram habet, dei
autem, &c.*

*¶ Non ut des-
tiores nos faci-
am, sed ut ala-
tiores reddam.*

*¶ Pro peccatis
veniam poscere
& mala de nouo
iterare.*

*¶ Si his, si ter, si
centies, si centi-
as millies, toties
penitentiam age.*

*¶ Multo effica-
cior Christi mors
in bonum, quam
peccata nostra
in malum. Chri-
stus potentior
ad salvandum,
quam demon ad
perdendum.*

*¶ Peritus medi-
cus potest omnes
infirmos sanare
si misericors
vult.*

*¶ Omnipotens
medico nullus
languor insana-
bilis occurrat, tu
sanum doceri
se sine, manum
eius ne repelle,
non quid agat,
non tantum de-
lecteris cum so-
wet, sed tolere
quam fecas.*

fore that doubt of the remission of his sinnes, denies Gods mercy, & doth him iniury, saith *Austin*. Yea but thou repliest, I am a notorious sinner, mine offences are not so great as infinite. Heare *Fulgentius*, & Gods invincible goodnesse cannot be overcome by sinne, his infinite mercy cannot be terminated by any, the multitude of his mercy is equivalent to his magnitude. Heare & *Chrysostome*, thy malice may be measured but Gods mercy cannot be defined, thy malice is circumscribed, his mercies infinite. As a droppe of water is to the Sea so are thy misdeeds to his mercy, nay there is no such proportion to bee giuen, for the Sea though great, yet may be measured, but Gods mercy cannot bee circumscribed. Whatsoever thy sinnes bee then in quantity or quality, multitude or magnitude, feare them not, distrust not. I speak not this, saith *Chrysostome*, to make thee secure and negligent, but to cheere thee up. Eye but thou vrgeest againe. I haue little comfort of this which is said, it concernes mee not, *inanis penitentia quam sequens culpa coinquinat*, tis to no purpose for me to repent and to doe worse then euer I did before, to perseuer in sinne, & to returne to my lusts as a dogge to his vomit, or a swine to the mire, to what end is it to aske forgiveness of my sinnes, and yet dayly to sinne againe and againe, to doe evill out of an habite. I dayly and hourelly offend in thought, word, and deed, in a relapse by mine owne weaknes and wilfulnes, am false from that I was, or would be, worse & worse, and my latter end is worse then my beginning: *Si quotidie peccas quotidie*, saith *Chrysostome*, *penitentiam age*, If thou dayly offend, daily repent, kist twice, thrice, an hundredth, an hundredth thousand times, twice, thrice, an hundredth thousand times repent. As they doe by an old house that is out of repaire, stil mend some part or other, so doe by thy soule, still reforme some vice, repaire it by repentance, call to him for grace & thou shalt haue it, for we are freely iustified by his grace, *Rom. 3. 24*. If thine enimie repent as our Saviour enioyned Peter, forgieue him 77 times, & why shouldst thou thinke God will not forgieue thee? Why should the enormity of thy sinnes trouble thee? God can doe it, he will doe it. Conferre the debt and the payment, Christ and Adam, sinne and the cure of it, the disease & the medicine, conferre the sicke man to the Physitian, and thou shalt soone perceauie that his power is infinitely beyond it. God is better able, as *Bernard* informeth vs, to helpe then sinne to doe vs hurt, Christ is better able to saue, then the diuell to destroy. If he be a skilfull Physitian, as *Fulgentius* ads, he can cure all diseases, if mercifull he will. *Non est perfecta bonitas à qua non omnis malitia vincitur*, his goodnesse is not absolute and perfect, if it be not able to overcome all mallice. Submit thy selfe vnto him, as *S. Austin* aduiseeth, he knoweth best what he doth, & be not so much pleased when he sustaines thee, as patient when he corrects thee, he is omnipotent and can cure all diseases when he sees his owne time. He lookes downe from heauen vpon earth, that he may heare the mourning of prisoners, and deliuer the children of death, *Psalm. 102. 19, 20*. and though our sinnes be as red as scarlet he can make them as white as snowe. *Isay. 1. 18*. Doubt not of this, or aske how it shall be done, hee is all-sufficient that promisseth, *qui fecit mundum de immundo*, saith *Chrysostome*, he that made a faire world of naught, can doe this and much more for his part, doe thou only beleue, trust in him, relye on him, be penitent and hartely sorry for thy sinnes. Repentance is a Soueraigne remedy for all sinnes, a spirituall wing to create vs, a charme for our miseries, a protecting Amulet

to expell sinnes venome, an attractiue loadstone to drawe Gods mercy and graces vnto vs. ^o *Peccatum vulnus, penitentia medicina*, sin made the breach, repentance must helpe it, howsoever thine offence came by error sloath, obstinacy, ignorance, *exitur per penitentiam*, this is the sole meanes to be relieved. Hence comes our hope of safety, by this alone sinners are saued, God is provoked to mercy. This vntoeth all that is bound, enlighteneth darknesse, mends that is broken, puts life to that which was desperately dying. Makes no respect of offences, or of persons. ¶ This doth not repell a Fornicator, reiect a drunkard, resist a proud fellow, turne away an Idolater, but entertaines all, communicates it selfe to all. Who persecuted the Church more then Paul, offended more then Peter? and yet by repentance, saith Chrysologus, they got both *Magisterium & ministerium sanctitatis*, the magistery of holinesse. The prodigall sonne went farre, but by repentance he came home at last. ¶ Thus alone will turne a wolfe into a sheepe, make a Publican a Preacher, turne a thorne into an Oliue, make a debaished fellow religious, a blasphemour sing Halleluia, make Alexander the Coppersmith truly devout, make a Diuell a Saint. ¶ And him that polluted his mouth with calumnies, lying, swearing, and all filthy tales and tones, to purge his throat with diuine Psalmes. Repentance will effect prodigious cures, make a stupend meramorphosis. An hauke came into the Arke and went out againe an hauke, a Lion came in went out a Lion, a Beare a Beare, a wolfe a wolfe, but if an Hauke come into this sacred Temple of Repentance, he will goe forth a Dove, saith Chrysostome, a wolfe will goe out a Sheepe, a Lion a Lambe. ¶ This giues sight to the blind, legges to the lame, cures all diseases, conferres grace, expells vice, inserts vertue, comforts and fortifies the Soule. Shall I say, let thy sinne be what it will, doe but repent, it is sufficient.

'Tis true indeed and all sufficient this, they doe confesse, if they could Repent, but they are obdurate, they haue cauterised consciences, they are in a reprobate sense, they cannot thinke a good thought, they cannot hope for grace, pray, beleue, repent, or be sorry for their sinnes, they finde no griefe for sinne in themselves, but rather a delight, no groning of spirit, but are carried headlong to their owne destruction, heaping wrath to themselves against the day of wrath, Rom. 2. 5. Tis a grieuous case this I doe yeeld, and yet not to be despaired, God of his bounty and mercy calls all to repentance, Rom. 2. 4. thou maist be called at last, restored, taken to his grace as the theefe vpon the Crosse, at the last howre, as Mary Magdalene and many other sinners haue beene, that were buried in sinne. God, saith Fulgentius, is delighted in the conversion of a sinner, he sets no time, *prolixitas temporis Deo non praiudicat*, and *gravitas peccati*, differing of time or greiuousnesse of sinners doe not preiudicate his grace, things past and to come are as one to him as present, 'tis neuer too late to repent. ¶ This haue of repentance is still open for all distressed soules, and howsoever as yet no signes appeare, thou maist repent in good time. Heare a comfortable speech of S. Austin. ¶ Whatsoever thou shalt doe, how great a sinner thou art yet lining, if God would not helpe thee, he would surely take thee away, but in sparing thy life, he giues thee leasure, and invites thee to repentance. Howsoever as yet, I say, thou perceauest no fruit, no feeling, findest no likelihood of it in thy selfe, patiently abide the Lords good leasure, despaire not, or thinke thou art a reprobate, he came to call sinners to repen-

omnino si sanare te nollat Deus, auferret, pariendo clamat ut redeas, &c.
tance,

^o Chrys. hom. 3. de penit.

^o Spes salutis per quam peccatores saluantur Deus ad misericordiam provocatur. Isidore.

^o Omnia ligata in sol'us, contrita sinas, onus a tu idas, desolata animas.

^o Chrys. hom. 5.

^o Non fornicatorem abnuat,

^o non ebrium avertit, non superbum repellit,

^o non auersatur.

^o Ido aiam, non adulterum, sed omnes suscipit.

^o omnibus communicat.

^o Chrys. hom. 5.

^o Qui turpibus camilem, ali-

^o quando in iura-

^o vi os, diuini hymni animam purgare.

^o Rom. 5. In-

^o trovit hic quis accipit colum-

^o ba exit, introi-

^o vit lupus ovem egreditur, &c.

^o Omnes lan-

^o guores sanat, ge-

^o cis usum, claud-

^o da gressum, gratiam confert &c.

^o Delectatur

^o Deus conversione peccatoris,

^o omne tempus vite conversioni deputatur: pro-

^o presentibus habentur tam pre-

^o terita quam futura.

^o Austin. Sem-

^o per penitentie portus apertus est ne desperemus.

^o Quicquid feceris quantumcumque peccaveris adhuc in vi-

^o taes, unde te

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tance, *Luk. 5. 12.* of which number thou art one; he came to call thee, and in his time will surely call thee. And although as yet thou hast no inclination to pray, to repent thy faith be cold and dead, and thou wholly averse from all divine functions, yet it may revieve, as Trees are dead in winter but flourish in the spring, these vertues may lie hid in thee for the present and hereafter shew themselves, and peradventure already bud, howsoever thou dost not perceave it. Tis Satans pollicy to plead against, suppress and aggravate, to conceale those sparkes of faith in thee. Thou dost not beleue thou faist, yet thou wouldst beleue if thou couldst, 'tis thy desire to beleue, then pray, ^a *Lord helpe mine unbeleefe*, & hereafter thou shalt certainly beleue. ^b *Da-bitar sitienti*, It shall be given to him that thirsteth. Thou canst not yet repent, hereafter thou shalt; bee of good cheere, a child is rationall in power not in act, and so art thou penitent in affection, though not yet in action. 'Tis thy desire to please God, to be heartely sorry; comfort thy selfe, no time is overpast, tis neuer too late. A desire to repent is repentance it selfe, though not in nature yet in Gods acceptance a willing minde is sufficient. *Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness*, *Mat. 5. 6.* Hee that is destitute of Gods grace, and wisheth for it shall haue it. *The Lord*, saith *David*, *Psal. 10. 17.* will heare the desire of the poore, that is of such as are in distresse of body and minde. Tis true thou canst as yet grieve for thy sinne, thou hast no feeling of faith, I yeeld, yet canst thou grieve, thou dost not grieve? It troubles thee I am sure thine heart should be so impenitent & hard, thou wouldst haue it otherwise, tis thy desire to grieve to repent and beleue. 'Tis a good signe of thy conversion, thy sinnes are pardonable, thou art, or shalt surely be reconciled. *The Lord is neere them that are of a contrite heart*, *Luk. 4. 18.* ^c A true desire of mercy in the want of mercy is mercy it selfe, a desire of grace in the want of grace is grace it selfe, a constant and earnest desire to beleue, repent, and to be reconciled to God, if it be in a touched heart, is an acceptance of God, a reconciliation, faith and repentance it selfe. For it is not thy faith and repentance, as ^d *Chrysostome* truly teacheth, that is available, but Gods mercy that is annexed to it, he accepts the will for the deed: so that I conclude, to feele in our selues the want of grace, and to bee grieved for it is grace it selfe. I am troubled with feare my sinnes are not forgiven, Carelesse objects, but *Bradford* answeres, they are for God hath given thee a penitent and beleeuing heart, that is an heart which desireth to repent and beleue, for such a one is taken of him (he accepting the will for the deed) for a truly penitent and beleeuing heart.

^e *Abernethy,*
Perkins.

^f *Non est peni-*
tentia sed Dei
miserordia an-
noxia.

All this is true thou replyest, but yet it concernes not thee, 'tis verified in ordinary offenders, in common sinnes, but thine are of an higher straine, euen against the Holy Ghost himselfe, irremissible sinnes. Thou art worse then a Pagan, Infidell, Jew or Turke, for thou art an Apostat and more, thou hast voluntarily blasphemed, renounced God & all Religion, thou art worse then *Judas* himselfe, or they that crucified *Christ*: for they did offend out of ignorance, but thou hast thought in thine heart there was no God. Thou hast given thy Soule to the Diuell, as Witches and Conjurers doe, *explicitè* and *implicitè*, by compact, band, and obligation (a desperate, a fearefull case) to satisfie thy lust, or to bee reuenged of thine enemies, thou diddest neuer pray, come to Church, heare, reade, or doe any diuine duties with any devo-

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tion, but for formality and fashions sake, 'twas troublesome and painefull to thee, to doe any such thing *præter voluntatem*, against thy will. Thou neuer madest any Conscience of lying, swearing, bearing false witness, murder, adultery, bribery, oppression, theft, Idolatry, but hast euer done all duties for feare of punishment, as they were most advantageous, and to thine owne ends. In steed of Faith, Feare, and loue of God, repentance, &c. blasphemous thoughts haue bin euer harbored in his mind, euen against God himself, the blessed Trinity: the Scriptures false, rude, harsh, immethodicall: Heauen, hell, resurrection, meere toyes and fables; Religion, policy, an humane invention, to keepe men in obedience, invented by Priests and Law-giuers to that purpose. If there be any such supreme Power, he takes no notice of our doings, heares not our prayers, regardeth them not, will not, cannot helpe, or els hee is partiall, an excepter of persons, author of sinne, a cruell, a destructive God, to create our soules, and destinate them to eternall damnation, why doth he not gouerne things better, protect good men, root out wicked liuers? why doth he suffer *Turkes* to ouercome Christians, his enemy to domineere ouer his, such enormities to be committed, & so many such bloody warres, murders, massacres, plagues, feral diseases, why doth he not make vs al good, able, sound, why makes he venomous creatures, rockes, sands, deserts, this earth it selfe the muck-hill of the world, a prison, an house of correction, &c. with many such horrible and execrable conceipts, not fit to be vttered; *Terribilia de fide, horribilia de Diuinitate*. They cannot some of them, but thinke euil, they are compelled *volentes, nolentes* to blaspheme, especially when they come to Church and pray, reade &c. such foule and prodigious suggestions come into their hearts.

These are abominable, vspeakable offences, and most opposit to God, *tentationes fide & impie*, yet in this case, he or they that shall be tempted & affected, must know, that no man liuing is free from such thoughts in part, or at some times, the most diuine spirits haue bin so tempted in some sort, euill custome, omission of holy exercises, ill company, Idleneffe, Solitarines, Melancholy, our depraued nature, and the Diuell is still ready to corrupt, trouble, and diuert our Soules, to suggest such blasphemous thoughts into our phantasies, yngodly, prophane, monstrous, and wicked conceipts, If they come from Satan, they are more speedy, fearefull and violent, the parties can not auoide them; they are more frequent, I say, and monstrous when they come; for the Diuell he is a spirit, and hath meanes & opportunity to mingle himselfe with our spirits, & sometimes more slyly, sometimes more abruptly and openly, to suggest such diuelish thoughts into our hearts, he insults and domineeres in melancholy distempered phantasies and persons, especially; Melancholy is *balneum diaboli*, as *Serapio* holdes, the diuels bath, and invites him to come to it. As a sick man frettes, raues in his fits, speakes and doth he knowes not what, the Diuell violently compels such crazed Soules, to think such damned thoughts, against their wils, they cannot but doe it, sometimes more continuare, or by fits, he takes his advantage, as the subiect is lesse able to resist, he aggrauates, extenuates, affirms, denies, damnes, confounds the spirits, troubles heart, braine, humors, organs, senses, and wholly domineeres in their Imaginations. If they proceed from themselves such thoughts, they are remisse & moderate, not so violent and monstrous, not so frequent. The

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Diuell commonly suggests things opposite to Nature, opposite to God and his Word, impious, absurd, such as a man would neuer of himselfe, or could not conceiue, they strike terror and horror into the parties own hearts. For if he or they be asked whether they doe approue of such like thoughts, or no, they answer (and their owne Soules truly dictate as much) they abhorre them as Hell and the Diuell himselfe, they would faine thinke otherwise if they could, hee hath thought otherwise, and with all his Soule desires so to thinke againe, he doth resist, and hath some good motions intermixt now & then: So that such blasphemous, impious, vncleane thoughts, are not his own, but the Diuels; they proceed not from him, but from a crazed phantasie, distempered humors, black fumes which offend his brain, & they are thy crosses, the diuels sinnes, and he shall answer for them, he doth enforce thee to doe that which thou doest abhorre, and diddest neuer giue consent to: And although he hath sometimes so slyly set vpon thee, and so farre preuailed, as to make thee in some sort to assent to such wicked thoughts, yet they haue not proceeded from a confirmed will in thee, but are of that nature which thou doest afterwards reiect and abhorre. Therefore be not ouermuch troubled and dismaide with such kind of suggestions, at least if they please thee not, because they are not thy personall sinnes, for which thou shalt incurre the wrath of God, or his displeasure, contemne, neglect them, let them goe as they come, strue not too violently, or trouble thy selfe too much, but as our Sauour said to Satan in like case, say thou, *Auide Satan, I detest thee and them. Satana est mala ingerere* (saith *S. Austin*) *nostrum non consentire*, as Satan labours to suggest, so must we strue not to giue consent, and it will be sufficient, the more anxious and sollicitous thou art, the more perplexed, the more thou shalt otherwise bee troubled, and intangled. Besides they must know this, all so molested and distempered, that although these be most execrable and greiuous sinnes, they are pardonable yet, through Gods mercy & goodnes they may be forgiuen, if they be penitent and sorry for them. *Paul* himselfe confesseth, *Rom. 7. 19. hee did not the good he would doe, but the euill which he would not doe, 'tis not I, but sinne that dwelleth in mee.* 'Tis not thou, but Satans suggestions, his craft & subtilty, his malice: comfort thy self then, if thou be penitent and greiued, or desirous to bee so, these hainous sinnes shall not be laid to thy charge, Gods mercy is aboue all sinnes, which if thou do not finally contemne, without doubt thou shalt be saued. & *No man sinnes against the holy Ghost, but he that wilfully and finally renounceth Christ, and contemneth him and his word to the last, without which there is no saluation, from which grieuous sinne, God of his infinite mercy deliuer vs.* Take hold of this to thy comfort, & meditate withall on Gods word, labour to pray, to repent, to be renewed in mind, keepe thine heart with all diligence, *Pro. 4. 13* resist the Diuell, and he will fly from thee, pray continually, as *Paul* inioynes, and as *Dauid* did, *Psal. 1. meditate on his Law day and night.*

& *Hemmingius.*
Nemo peccat in
spiritum sanctum,
nisi qui finaliter
& voluntarie
renunciat Chri-
sto, eumque & e-
ius verbum ex-
trema contem-
nit, sine quo nul-
la salus, a quo
peccato liberet
nos Dominus Ie-
sus Christus.
Amen.

Yea but this meditation is that marres all, and misconceiued, makes many men farre worse, misconceiuing all they read, to their owne overthrow, the more they search and read Scriptures, or diuine Treatises, the more they puffle themselves, as a bird in a net, the more they are intangled and precipitated into this preposterous gulfe. *Many are called, few are chosen, Mat. 20. 16. and 22. 14.* with such like places of Scripture misinterpreted strike them with

with horror, they doubt presently whether they bee of this number or no, Gods eternall decree of predestination, absolute reprobation, and such fatall tables they forme to their own ruine, and impinge vpon this rock of despair. How shall they be assured of their saluation, by what signes? Who knowes faith *Solomon*, whether he be *irā, odio an amore dignus*, whether he be elect. This grindes their Soules, how shall they discern they are not Reprobates? But I say again, how shall they discern they are? From the diuell can be no certainty, for he is a lyar from the beginning, if he suggest any such thing, as too frequently he doth, reiect him as a deceiuer, an enemy of humane kinde, dispute not with him, giue no credite to him, obstinately refuse him, as the Collier did. For when the Diuell tempted him with the weaknesse of his faith, and told him he could not be saued, as being ignorant in the principles of Religion, and vrged him moreouer to know what he beleued, what hee thought of such and such points and mysteries, the Collier told him, he beleued as the Church did; but what, said the Diuell againe, doth the Church beleue? as I doe, said the Collier; and what's that thou beleueest? as the Church doth, &c. when the Diuell could get no other answer, he left him. If Satan summon thee to answer, send him to Christ, he is thy liberty, thy protector against cruell death, raging sinne, that roaring Lion, he is thy righteousness, thy Saviour, and thy life. Though he say, thou art not of the number of the elect, a reprobate, forsaken of God, hold thine own still, stay thy selfe in that certainty of faith; let that be thy comfort, Christ will protect thee, vindicate thee, thou art one of his flock, he will triumph over the Law, vanquish death, ouercome the Diuell, and destroy hell. If he say, thou art none of the Elect, no beleuer, reiect him, defy him, thou hast thought otherwise, and maist so be resolu'd again; comfort thy selfe, this perswasion cannot come from the Diuell, & much lesse cannot it be grounded from thy selfe, men are lyers, and why shouldest thou distrust? A denying *Peter*, a persecuting *Paul*, an adulterous cruell *Dauid*, haue bin receiued, an Apostat *Solomon* may be converted, no sin at all but impenitency, can giue testimony of finall reprobation. Why shouldest thou then distrust, misdoubt thy selfe, vpon what ground, what suspicion? this opinion alone of particularity? Against that, & for the certainty of Election and saluation on the other side, see Gods good will toward men, heare how generally his grace is proposed to him & him, & them, each man in particular, and to all. *1. Tim. 2. 4. God will that all men be saued, and come to the knowledge of the truth.* 'Tis an vniuersall promise, God sent not his Sonne into the world to condemne the world, but that through him the world might be saued. *Iohn 3. 17.* He then that acknowledgeth himselfe a man in the world, must likewise acknowledge he is of that number that is to be saued. *Ezek. 33. 11. I will not the death of a sinner, but that he repent & lue:* but thou art a sinner, therefore he will not thy death. *This is the will of him that sent mee, that every man that beleueth in the Sonne, should haue cuerlasting life, Iohn 6. 40. he would haue no man perissh, but all come to repentance,* *2. Pet. 3. 9.* besides, the remission of sinnes is to be preached, not to a few, but vniuersally to all men. *Goe therefore and teach all Nations, baptizing them, &c. Mat. 28. 19. goe into all the world, and preach the Gospell to every creature, Marke 16. 15.* Now there cannot be contradictory wills in God, he will haue all saued, and not all, how can this stand together; be secure then, beleue,

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trust in him, hope well, and be saued. Yea that's the main matter, how shall I beleue or discern my security from carnall presumption, my faith is weak and faint, I want those signes & fruites of sanctification, & sorrow for sinne, thirsting for grace, groanings of the spirit, loue of Christians as Christians, auoiding occasion of sinne, endeauour of new obedience, charity, loue of God, perseuerance. Though these signes be languishing in thee, and not seated in thine Heart, thou must not therefore be dejected or terrified, the effects of the faith and spirit are not yet so fully felt in thee, conclude not therefore, thou art a Reprobate, or doubt of thine Election, because the Elect themselves are without them, before their Conversion. Thou maist in the Lords good time be converted; some are called at the 11 houre: vse, I say, the meanes of thy conuersion, expect the Lords leisure, if not yet called, pray thou maist be, or at least wish and desire thou maist be.

Notwithstanding all this which may be said to this effect, to ease their afflicted mindes, what comfort our best Diuines can afford in this case, Zanchinus, Beza &c. This furious curiosity, needlesse speculation, fruitlesse meditation about Election, reprobation, free-will, grace, such places of Scripture preposterously conceiued, torment still, and crucify the Soules of too many. To auoid which inconueniences, and to settle their distressed Soules, to mitigate those diuine Aphorismes (though in another extreame) our late Arminians haue reuiued that plausible doctrine of vniuersall grace, which many Fathers, our late Lutherans and moderne Papists doe still maintaine, that we haue free-will of our selues, & that Grace is common to all that will beleue. Some again though lesse orthodoxall, will haue a farre greater part saued, then shall bee damned (as *Calius Secundus* stiffly maintaines in his book *de amplitudine regni caelestis*, or some Impostor vnder his name) *beatorum numerus multo maior damnatorum.* He calls that other Tenent of speciall Election and Reprobation, a preiudicate, enuious and malicious opinion, apt to draw all men to desperation. Many are called, few chosen, &c. He opposeth many opposite parts of Scripture to it, Christ came into the world to saue sinners, &c. and foure especiall Arguments he produceth, one from Gods power. If more be damned then saued, he erroneously concludes, the diuell hath the greater Soueraignty, for what is power but to protect? and Maiesty consists in multitude. If the Diuell haue the greater part, where is his mercy, where is his power? He proceedes, *we accompt him a murderer that is accessory onely, or doth not helpe when he can, which may not be supposed of God without great offence, because he may doe what he will, and is otherwise accessory, and the author of sinne. The Nature of good is to bee communicated, God is good, and wil not then bee contracted in his goodnesse, for how is he the Father of mercy and comfort, if this good concerne but a few. O enuious and vnthankfull men to thinke otherwise.* At last he comes to that he will haue those saued that neuer heard of, or beleued in Christ, *ex paris naturalibus*, and proues it out of Origen, and others. They (saith *Origen*) that neuer heard Gods word, are to bee excused for their ignorance, wee may not thinke God will bee so vnjust as to condemn any man in dicta causa. They alone (he holds) are in the state of damnation, that refuse Christs mercy and grace, when it is offered. Many worthy Greekes and Romanes, good morall honest men, that kept the Law of Nature, did to others as they would be done to themselves, are certainly saued, he

See whole books of their arguments.

¹ Francofurti editi 1616.

² Lib. 3. fol. 122. Preiudicata opinio, inuida, maligna, & apta ad impellendos animos in desperationem.

³ Potentior est Deo diabolus, & mundi princeps, & in multitudine hominum sita est inuestigatio.

⁴ Homicida qui non subuenit quum potest: hoc de Deo sine scelere cogitari non potest, utpote quum quod vult licet. Boni natura communicari. Bonus Deus, quomodo misericordie patet, &c.

⁵ Venia danda est iis qui non audiunt ob ignorantiam. Non est eam iniquus Iudex Deus, ut quaquam indicta causa damnare velit. Si solam damnantur, qui oblatam Christi gratiam reiciunt.

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concludes, as they were that liued vprightly before the Law of *Moses*. They were acceptable in Gods sight, as *Iob* was, the *Magi*, the Queen of *Sheba*, *Darius* king of *Persia*, *Socrates*, *Aristides*, *Cato*, *Curius*, *Tully*, *Seneca*, & many other Philosophers, vpright liuers, no matter of what Religion, as *Cornelius*, out of any Nation, so that hee liue honestly, call on God, trust in him, feare him he shall be saued. This opinion was formerly maintained by the *Valentinian* and *Basilidean* hereticks, revived of late in *Turkie*, of which sect *Rustan Basa* was patron, defended by *P. Galeatius Martinus*, and fauored by *¶ Erasmus*. His conclusion is, that not only wicked liuers, Blasphemers, Reprobates, & such as reiect Gods grace, but that the very diuells themselves shall be saued at last, as *Origen* long since deliuered in his works. But these absurd paradoxes are exploded by our Church, we teach otherwise. That this vocation, predestination, election, was from the beginning, before the foundation of the world was laid, we hold *perseuerantiam sanctorum*, we must be certaine of our salvation, we may fall but not finally, which our *Arminians* will not admit. According to his immutable, eternall, iust decree and counsel of sauing men and Angells, God calls all, and would haue all to bee saued according to the efficacy of his vocation all are invited, but only the elect apprehend, the rest that are vnbeleeuing, impenitent, whom God in his iust iudgement leaues to be punished for their sinnes, are in a reprobate sense; yet wee must not determine who are such, condemne our selues or others, because wee haue an vniversal invitation, all are commanded to belecue, and we knowe not how soone or late before our end we may be receaued.

But to my former taske. The last maine torture and trouble of a distressed minde, is not so much this doubt of Election, & that the promises of grace are smothered and extinct in them, nay quite blotred out as they suppose, but withall Gods heavy wrath, a most intollerable paine and grieve of heart seareth on them, to their thinking, they are already damned, they suffer the paines of hell, and more then possibly can be expressed, they smell brimstone, talke familiarly with diuells, heare and see *Chimeræes* prodigious vncouth shapes, Beares, Owles, Antickes, blacke dogges, feinds, hideous outcries, fearefull noyses, shriekes, lamentable complaints, they are possessed, and through impatience they roare and howle, curse, blasphem, deny God, call his power in question, abiure religion, and are still ready to offer violence vnto themselves, by hanging, drowning, &c. Never any miserable wretch from the beginning of the world was in such a wofull case. To such persons I oppose Gods mercy and his iudgement, his secret counsell & iust iudgement, by which he spares some, and sore afflicts others againe in this life; his iudgement is to be adored, trembled at, not to be searched or enquired after by mortall men, hee hath reasons reserued to himselfe which our frailty cannot apprehend. He may punish all if he will, and that iustly for sin, in that he doth it if some is to make way for his mercy that they repent & be saued, to heale them, to try them, exercise their patience, and make them call vpon him, to confesse their sinnes and pray vnto him, as *David* did, *Psalm*. 119. 137. *Righteous art thou O Lord and iust are thy iudgements*, as the poore Publican, *Luk*. 18. 13. *Lord haue mercy vpon me a miserable sinner*. To put confidence and haue an assured hope in him, as *Iob* had 13. 15. *Though he kill me I will trust in him*. So that this, which they take to bee such an insupportable

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hist. Tom. 1. lib. 2.
¶ Clem. Alexan.
¶ Paulus Iovius
Elog. vir. illust.
¶ N. n. homines
sed & ipsi de-
mones aliquan-
do seruandi.

¶ Vastata cor-
scientia sequitur
sensus ira divi-
na (Hemlingius)
frenitus cordis
ingens anime
cruciatum, &c.

plague, is an evident signe of Gods mercy and iustice, of his loue and goodnesse: *perissent nisi perissent*, had they not thus beene vndone, they had finally beene vndone. Many a carnall man is lulled asleepe in peruerse security, foolish presumption, is stupified in his sinne, & hath no feeling at all of them *I haue sinned* (he saith) *and what euill shall come vnto me?* Eccclus. 5. 4. and tuffe *how shall God knowe it?* and so in a reprobate sense goes downe to hell. But heere *Cynthia aurem vellit*, God pulls them by the eare, by affliction he will bring them to heauen & happines; *Blessed are they that mourne*, for they shall be comforted. *Mat. 5. 4.* a blessed and an happy state, if considered aright, it is, to be so troubled. *It is good for me that I haue beene afflicted*, *Psal. 119.* Tribulation workes patience, *patiente hope*, *Rom. 5. 4* and by such like crosses and calamities, we are drouen from the stake of security. So that affliction is a Schoole or Academy, wherein the best Schollers are prepared to the Commencements of the deity. And though it be most troublesome and grievous for the time, yet knowe this, it comes by Gods permission and prouidence, he is a spectator of thy grones and teares, still present with thee, hee will not suffer thee to be tempted aboue measure; the Lord will not quench the smothering flaxe, or breake the bruised reed, but as a mother doth handle her child sicke and weake, nor reiect it, but with all tenderesse obserue and helpe it, so doth God by vs, not forsake vs in our miseries, or relinquish vs for our imperfections, but with all pittie and compassion support and receaue vs, who he loues he loues to the end, *Rom. 8.* whom he hath elected, those he hath called, iustified, sanctified, and glorified. Thinke not then thou hast lost the spirit, that thou art forsaken of God, be not overcome with heauinesse of heart, but as David said, *I will not feare though I walke in the shadowes of death*, Wee must all goe by hell to Heauen, as the old Romans put vertues Temple in the way to that of Honour, wee must endure sorrow and misery in this life. 'Tis no new thing this, Gods best seruants and dearest children haue beene so visited and tried. *Christ* in the garden cried out, *my God my God why hast thou forsaken me*, his sonne by nature as thou art by adoption and grace. *Iob* in his anguishes said, *the arrowes of the almighty God were in him*, *Iob. 6. 4.* his terrors fought against him, the venom dranke vp his spirit, *cap. 13. 26.* hee saith *God was his enemy*, writ bitter things against him (*16. 9.*) hated him. His heavy wrath had seised on his soule. David complaineth, *his eyes were eaten vp*, sunke into his head, *Psal. 6. 7.* his moisture became as the drouth in summer, his flesh was consumed, his bones vexed: yet nether *Iob* nor David did finally despaire. *Iob* would not leaue his hold, but still trust in him, acknowledge him to be his good God. The Lord giues, the Lord takes, blessed be the name of the Lord, *Iob 1. 21.* behold I am vile, I abhorre my selfe, repent in dust and ashes, *Iob. 39. 37.* David humbled himselfe, *Psal. 31.* & vpon his confession receaued mercy. Faith, hope, repentance, are the Soveraigne cures and remedies, the sole comforts in this case. confesse, humble thy selfe, repent, it is sufficient. *Quod purpura non potest saccus potest*, saith *Chrysostome*, the king of *Niniues* sackcloth and ashes did that, which his purple robes and Crowne could not effect, *Quod Diadema non potuit cinis perfecit*. Turne to him hee will turne to thee, the Lord is neere those that are of a contrite heart, and will saue such as be afflicted in spirit, *Psa. 34. 18.* He came to the lost sheepe of Israel, *Mat. 18. 14.* Si cadentem intuetur, clementie manum protendit, he is at all times ready to assist. *Nu-*

quam spernit Deus penitentiam, si sincerè & simpliciter offeratur, he neuer re-
iects a penitent sinner, though he haue come to the full height of iniquity,
wallowed and delighted in sinne, yet if he will forsake his former waies, *libè-
ter amplexatur*, he will receaue him. *Parcam huic homini*, saith * *Austin*, ex
persona Dei, quia sibi ipsi non pepercit, ignoscam quia peccatum agnouit, I will
spare him because he hath not spared himselfe, I will pardon him, because
he doth acknowledge his offence; let it bee neuer so enormous a sinne, his
grace is sufficient, 2. Cor. 12. 9. Despaire not then, faint not at all, bee not deie-
cted, but relye on God, call on him in thy trouble, and he will heare thee, he
will assist, helpe, and deliuer thee, *Drawe neere to him hee will drawe neere to
thee*, James, 4. 8. Lazarus was poore and full of boyles, and yet still hee relied
vpon God: Abraham did hope beyond hope.

* Super Ps. 52.
Convertar ad li-
berandum eum
quia conversus
est ad peccatum
suum penitens.

Thou exceptest, these were chiefe men, divine spirits, *Deo chari*, beloued
of God, especially respected, but I am a contemptible and forlorne wretch,
forsaken of God, and left to the mercilesse fury of evill spirits. I cannot hope
pray, repent, &c. How often shall I say it, Thou maist performe all these du-
ties, Christian offices, and be restored in good time. A sicke man looseth his
appetite, strength and ability, his disease prevaileth so farre, that all his facul-
ties are spent, hand and foot performe not their duties, his eyes are dimme,
hearing dul, tongue distasts things of pleasant relish, yet nature lies hid, reco-
vereth againe, and expelleth all those faculent matters by vomit, sweat, or
some such like evacuations. Thou art spiritually sicke, thine heart is heavy,
thy minde distressed, thou maist happily recover againe, expell those dismal
passions of feare and griefe, God will not suffer thee to bee tempted aboue
measure, whom he loues (I say) he loues to the end. Hope the best. David
in his misery prayed to the Lord, remembring how hee had formerly dealt
with him, and with that meditation of Gods mercy confirmed his faith, and
pacified his owne tumultuous heart in his greatest agony. *O my soule, why
art thou so disquieted within me? &c.* Thy soule is Eclipsed for a time, I yeeld,
as the Sunne is shadowed by a clowd, no doubt but those gracious beames
of Gods mercy will shine vpon thee againe, as they haue formerly done,
those embers of Faith, Hope & Repentance, now buried in ashes, will flame
out afresh, and be fully revived. Want of faith, no feeling of grace for the
present, are not fit directions, we must liue by faith, not by feeling, 'tis the be-
ginning of grace to wish for grace: we must expect and tarry. David a man
after Gods owne heart, prayed long before he was heard, *expectans expecta-
vit*, endured much before he was releued, Psalm. 69. 13. he complaines, *I am
weary of crying, my throat is dry, mine eyes faile, whilst I wait on the Lord*, and
yet he perseuers. Be not dismay'd, thou shalt be respected at last. God often
workes by contrarieties, he first kills and then makes alieue, he woundeth first
and then healeth, he makes man sowe in teares, that hee may reape in ioy, 'tis
Gods method: he that is so visified, must with patience endure and rest satis-
fied for the present. The pascall Lambe was eaten with fowre hearbes, wee
shall feele no sweetnesse of his blood, til we first feele the smart of our sinnes.
Thy paines are great, intolerable for the time, thou art destitute of grace &
comfort, stay the Lords leasure, he will not (I say) suffer thee to be tempted
aboue that thou art able to beare, 1. Cor. 10. 13. but will giue an issue to temp-
tation. He workes all for the best to them that loue God, Rom. 8. 28. Doubt

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not of thine Election, is an immutable decree, a marke never to bee defaced, you haue beene otherwise, you may and shall be. And for your present affliction, hope the best, it will shortly end. *He is present with his servants in their affliction, Psal. 91. 1. & great are the troubles of the righteous, but the Lord deliveth them out of all, Psal. 34. 19. Our light affliction is but for a moment, worketh in us an eternall waight of glory, 2. Cor. 4. 17. Not answerable to that glorie which is to come, though now in heaviness, saith Peter, 1. 1. 6. you shall reioyce.*

Part.1.

Now last of all to those externall impediments, terrible objects, which they heare and see many times Divells and Mormeluches, noysome smells, &c. These may come, as I haue formerly declared in my present discourse of the Symptomes of Melancholy, from inward causes, as a concaue glasse reflects solid bodies, a troubled braine for want of sleep, nutriment, and by reason of that agitation of spirits to which *Heracles de Saxonia* attributes all Symptomes almost, may reflect and shew prodigious shapes, as our vaine feare and crazed phantasie shall suggest and faigne, as many silly weake women and children in the darke, sicke folkes for want of repast and sleepe, suppose they see that they see not; Many times such terriculaments may proceed from naturall causes, and all our senses may be deluded. Besides, as I haue said, this humour is *Balneum Diaboli*, the Divells bath, by reason of the distemper of humours, and infirme organs in vs, hee may so possesse vs as inwardly to molest vs, as he did *Saul* and others, by Gods permission, hee is Prince of the ayre, and can transforme himselfe into severall shapes, delude all our senses for a time, but his power is determind, hee may terrifie vs but not hurt, God hath given *his Angels charge over vs, he is a wall round about his people, Psal. 91. 11. 11.* There be those that prescribe physicke in such cases, tis Gods instrument, and not vnfit. The Divell workes by mediation of humours, and mixt diseases must haue mixt remedies. *Levinus Lemnius, cap. 57. & 58. exhort. ad vit. ep. instit.* is very copious in this subiect, beside that chiefe remedy of confidence in God, prayer, &c. and that Christian armour which *Paul* prescribes, he sets downe certaine Amulets, hearbs, and pretious stones, which haue marvelous vertues all *profigandis demonibus*, to driue away Divells and their illusions. *Saphyres, Chrysolites, Carbunkles, &c. Quae mirâ virtute pollent ad Lemures, Stryges, Incubos, Genios aërios arcendos, si veterum monumentis habenda fides.* Of herbes, he reckons vp *Pennirial, Rue, Angelica*, which rightly vsed by their suffitus, *Demonum vexationibus obfistunt, afflictas mentes à demonibus relevant, & venenatis fumis*, which expell Divells themselves, and all diuelish illusions, see more in him. *Cardan* would haue the party affected winke altogether in such a case, if he see ought that offends him, or cut the ayre with a sword in such places they walke and abide, shoot a pistoll at them, for being aëriall bodies (as many hold) if stroken, they feelee paine. Papiſts commonly inioyne and apply crosses, holy water, sanctified beads, Amulets, Counterfeit reliques, so many Masses, peregrinations, oblations, adiurations, and what not? *Thyreus* and *Hieronymus Mengus*, with many other Pontificall writers, prescribe and set downe severall formes of exorcismes, as well to houses possessed by diuels, as to daemoniackall persons; but I am of *† Lemnius* mind, tis but *damnosa adiuratio, aut potius ludificatio*, a meere mockage, a counterfeit charme, to no purpose. If any man, saith he, will attempt such a thing, without all those juggling circumstances, Astro-

† Non desunt
nostra etate sa-
crificuli, qui ta-
le quid atten-
tant, sed à ca-
eodemone irrisi-
pu dore suffecti
sunt, & re inse-
râ abierunt.

logical

logically Elections, of time, place, prodigious habits, fustian, big, sesquipedal words, spells, crosses, characters, which Exorcists ordinarily vse, let him follow the example of *Peter and John*, that without any ambitious swelling tearmes, cured a lame man, *Acts. 3. In the name of Christ Iesus rise and walke.* His name alone is the best and only charme against all such diabolical illusions, to call on him, hope, pray, trust, relye on him, to commit our selues wholly to him.

Last of all. If the party affected shall certainly knowe this maladie to haue proceeded from too much fasting, meditation, precise life, contemplation of Gods iudgements (for the Diuell deceaues many by such meanes) in that other extreame he circumvents melancholy it selfe, reading some books, Treatises, hearing rigid preachers, &c. If he shall perceauce that it hath begun first from some great losse, grievous accident, disaster, seeing others in like case, or any such terrible object, let him speedely remoue the cause, which to the cure of this disease, *Nauarrus* so much commends, *auertat cogitationem a re scrupulosa*, by all opposite meanes, art, and industry, let him direct his thoughts, by himselfe and other of his friends. Let him read no more such Tracts or subiects, heare no more such fearefull tones, avoid such companies, and by all meanes open him selfe, submit him selfe to the aduise of good Physitians, & Divines, which is *contraneptio scrupulorum*, as he calls it, heare them speake to whom the Lord hath given the Tongue of the learned, to be able to minister a word to him that is weary, whose wordes are as flaggons of wine. Let him not be obstinate, head-strong, pccuish, wilfull, selfe-conceited (as in this malady they are) but giue eare to good aduise, be ruled, & perswaded; & no doubt but such good counsell may proue as good to his soule as the Angell was to *Peter*, that opened the iron gates, loosed his bands, brought him out of prison, and deliuered him from bodily thraldome; they may ease his afflicted minde, relieue his wounded soule, and take him out of the Iawes of Hell it selfe. I can say no more, or giue better aduise to such as are any way distressed in this kinde, then what I haue giuen and said. Onely take this for a Corollary and conclusion, as thou tenderest thine own good, in this, and all other menacholy, thy good health of body and minde, obserue this short precept, giue not way to solitarinesse and idlenesse. *Be not alone, be not idle.*

*Tom. 2. cap. 27.
num. 282.*

Nauarrus.

Hay. 50. 4.

SPERATE MISERI,
CAVETE FELICES.

Vis à dubio liberari, vis quod incertum est evadere? Age penitentiam dum sanus es, sic agens, dico tibi quod securus es, quod penitentiam egisti, eo tempore quo peccare potuisti. *Austin.*

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